

GEF NGO NETWORK'S COMMENTS ON CSO PARTICIPATION IN GEF'S PROGRAM/PROJECT PROPOSALS SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL UNDER THE GEF TRUST FUND - NOVEMBER 2011

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4526	China	FAO	Securing BD Conservation and Sustainable Use in Huangshan Municipality	Biodiversity	A number of Civil organizations (e.g., the Wild Life Protection Association, local college and NGOs such as Green Anhui) that will be invited to participate in the popularization of biodiversity conservation.	Wild Life Protection Association is a Government organized NGO Unclear what is the proposed role of the "Local college"? Confirmation was received from Green Anhui that they have not yet been contacted about the project. .Organisations should not be names in the PIF without prior contact.
4621	China	ADB	Hebei Energy Efficiency Improvement and Emission Reduction Project	Climate Change	No mention of CSO	Appropriate CSO should be identified
4617	China	IBRD	Municipal Solid Waste Management	POPs	Other stakeholders are city MSW administrations, MSW incinerators and their associations, other MSW facility operators, local environmental bureaus, universities, research institutes, NGOs, CBOs, and the general public.	This listing is very general /generic and needs to be detailed through consultations

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4562	Mongolia	UNDP	Network of Managed Resource Protected Areas	Biodiversity	The project will closely partner with key NGOs - WWF, WCS, the Asia Foundation, IPECON (Initiative for People Centered Conservation) and TNC who are among the major organizations active in conservation in Mongolia. These agencies will be part of the technical advisory group of the project and participate in all policy development activities. Where possible, joint activities will be organised. Representatives from civil society organisations will be included in all trainings and consultations.	Broad connection with international NGOs, without any national or community NGO to be involved in the project. Local Communities and CBOs need to be effectively engaged at an early stage in any PA planning and management activities
4630	Moldova	IBRD	Agriculture Competitiveness Project	Land Degradation		Just mentions once in the text local and international NGOs as possible stakeholders. No specific reference to any CSO or type of involvement
4664	Russian Federation	UNEP/EBRD, UNDP, IBRD	ARCTIC GEF-Russian Federation Partnership on Sustainable Environmental Management in the Arctic under a Rapidly Changing	Multi Focal Area	The challenges for the MCPA network in the Arctic are difficult to be met relying solely on the zapovedniks and national parks capacity, and the existing levels of governmental	The involvement of CSOs specified in the PIF is good: The primary NGO partners are: WWF (with their extensive activities in the Bering Sea region focusing on

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			Climate (Arctic Agenda 2020)		<p>support. Thus establishment of horizontal cooperation and partnerships with science, NGOs, business and local communities is the only way for protected natural areas to perform their important mission in the changing Arctic.</p> <p>Key participants and partners UNEP is the GEF implementing Agency for the project.</p> <p>The Ministry of Economic Development RF, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Ecology RF, and regional administrations will be key Russian participants of the project. Gasprom, Rosneft, Norilsk Nickel, other companies, municipalities, research institutes and universities, WWF Russia and other environmental NGOs will participate in the project as partners.</p>	<p>fisheries), Wild Salmon Centre (pacific salmon conservation programmes), RAIPON (Russian association of the indigenous peoples of the North and their partner associations in the U.S.). Finally the project will engage the Russian Academy of Science (climate change vulnerability studies) and sectoral research institutes (fisheries/VNIRO, etc.).</p> <p>At the international level the project will engage with the Arctic Council and its keystone programmes – AMAP, ACAP, CAFF and PAME. The project will also work with USA-Russia bilateral bodies such as the Russian American Pacific Partnership (RAPP) and other foras established in the framework of the U.S.-Russia Bilateral Presidential Commission (BPC). RAPP is a</p>

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					The Arctic Council's ACAP Working Group, Arctic Council's Project Steering Group on SLCF, Swedish EPA, UNECE, U.S. EPA, Department of Agriculture and NOAA governmental and non-governmental organizations from other countries are key international participants and partners.	bilateral forum engaging the private-sector and governments to identify and address barriers to business and commerce between the Russian East and the United States (the latest meeting held in July 2011 in Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky, Russia). State and private sector stakeholders from Canada, Japan, China, Korea will also be outreached through the project.
4642	Uzbekistan	IBRD	Sustainable Agriculture and Climate Change Mitigation Project	Multi Focal Area	No mention of NGO!	Important to address this gap
4649	Regional	ADB/IBRD	GMS-FBP Greater Mekong Subregion Forests and Biodiversity Program (PROGRAM)	Multi Focal Area	Reference is made to WWF and other international NGOs but no regional, national or local NGOs	There is too much dependency on big international NGOs and not on local IP organizations; local organizations have developed capacities, in fact a regional organization of IPs for the Mekong region exists but is not at all mentioned in the project docs – Indigenous Knowledge Program (IKAP)

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						based in Chiangmai Thailand. Concerns of IPs better addressed by local organizations and IP networks.
4623	Global	UNEP	Support to GEF Eligible Parties (LDCs & SIDs) for the Revision of the NBSAPs and Development of Fifth National Report to the CBD - Phase II	Biodiversity		Almost all the projects submitted from Southern Africa are government driven and has no participation of other stakeholders e.g. CSOs. When the term multiple benefits is mentioned, it opens up an age old term where the community members are used as recipients or benefactors when the reality on the ground is often opposite. For instance, is it true that at this age and time, a government has never acted to expand and strengthen protected areas? What is meant by improvement of management effectiveness? Or Shire natural management systems? Does it mean there has been no management systems before? Generating natural benefits within and protected areas?
4513	Global	UNEP	Support to GEF Eligible Parties (LDCs & SIDs) for the Revision of the NBSAPs and Development of Fifth National Report to the CBD - Phase 1	Biodiversity		
4589	Angola	UNDP	Expansion and Strengthening of Angola's Protected Area system	Biodiversity		
4544	Botswana	UNDP	Improved Management Effectiveness of the Chobe-Kwando-Linyanti	Biodiversity		

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			Matrix of Protected Areas			

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4655	China	UNDP	CBPF-MSL: Strengthening the Management Effectiveness of the Sub-system of Wetland Protected Areas for Conservation of Globally Significant Biodiversity	Biodiversity	GIZ, Wetlands International, WWF and domestic level NGOs Involvement in wetlands and biodiversity projects. Available for technical support, consultancies, training and monitoring. High capacity for grass roots action with local communities. GIZ undertake a parallel project at 4 sites that should be closely coordinated with this programme. GIZ and WWF will be included in the steering committee.	GIZ is an international cooperation enterprise, not a NGO No specification of which domestic NGO. Reference to WWF and wetlands international is appropriate
4683	Russian Federation	EBRD	ARCTIC Targeted Support for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy in the Russian Arctic	Climate Change		No mention of NGO involvement

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