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**PROGRESS REPORT ON THE  
NAGOYA PROTOCOL IMPLEMENTATION FUND**

## PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL IMPLEMENTATION FUND (NPIF)

1. The creation of the Nagoya Protocol Implementation Fund (NPIF) was approved by the GEF Council on a decision from February 18, 2011.<sup>1</sup> Following this decision, the GEF Council approved the operational arrangements of this new multi-donor trust fund at its May 2011 meeting<sup>2</sup>.
2. The NPIF was established to promote the early entry into force and effective implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization. To date, the NPIF received contributions totaling \$16 million, generously made available by the governments of Japan, France, Norway, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.
3. The NPIF started its operation in the summer of 2011, with the first grant being awarded on December 13, 2011. During the past three years, the GEF Secretariat has approved 11 NPIF project proposals, totaling \$12.6 million<sup>3</sup> and leveraging \$29.9 million in co-financing. These projects have benefited a total of 51 countries in support of the Nagoya Protocol ratification, through eight country-based projects (in Bhutan, Colombia, Cook Islands, Costa Rica, Fiji, Gabon, Kenya and Panama), two regional projects (one in Central Africa, for the 10 member states of COMIFAC, and another in the Pacific region, for the 12 member countries of SPREP), and one global project (in 21 different countries). Table 1 provides an overview of NPIF projects so far.
4. Country-based projects have been achieving a dual role: the development of agreements on Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) among users and providers of genetic resources, and the advancement of the ABS agenda at the national level. ABS agreements are being developed through marine resources (Fiji and Panama), vascular plants (Colombia and Costa Rica) and extremophiles (Kenya). Regional and global projects have been assisting countries in the ratification and/or implementation of basic provisions of the Nagoya Protocol, and some of them have already ratified the Protocol (Bhutan, Burkina Faso, Cote d'Ivoire, Egypt, Fiji, Guinea Bissau, Micronesia, and Panama), which effectively contributes to the entry into force of this legally binding Protocol.
5. The NPIF will most likely support one additional country-based project, as well as another project on ABS agreements with Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities in Africa and Latin America and the Caribbean.

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<sup>1</sup> *Establishment of a New Trust Fund for Promoting Early Entry into Force and Effective Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and benefit Sharing (ABS)*, Decision by Mail, GEF Council, February 14 2011.

<sup>2</sup> *Outstanding Issues Related to the Nagoya Protocol Implementation Fund*, GEF/C.40/11/Rev.1, May 26 2011.

<sup>3</sup> Plus \$1.9 million in Agency fees for a total of \$14.5 million

**TABLE 1. PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL IMPLEMENTATION FUND (NPIF)**

ID	AGENCY	COUNTRY OR REGION	SIZE	TITLE	DATE	GEF \$	CO-FINAN \$	TOTAL \$
4780	UNDP	Panama	MSP	Promoting the application of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit Sharing in Panama	12-13-11	1,000,000	3,422,000	4,422,000
5160	UNDP	Colombia	MSP	The Development and Production of Natural Dyes in the Choco Region of Colombia for the Food, Cosmetics and Personal Care Industries Under the Provisions of the Nagoya Protocol	9-28-12	980,000	1,516,500	2,496,500
5170	UNDP	Fiji	MSP	Discovering Nature-Based Products and Building Capacities for the Application of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit Sharing	10-2-12	970,000	2,370,000	3,340,000
5172	UNEP	Global: Angola, Armenia, Burkina Faso, Belarus, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Cote d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea Bissau, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Swaziland, Togo, Uganda, Zimbabwe	MSP	Global Support for the Entry into Force of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing	10-1-12	1,000,000	627,500	1,627,500
5264	WB	Gabon	FSP	The implementation of activities related to Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) in Gabon (Component 4 under the project "Sustainable Management of Critical Wetlands Ecosystems)	4-12-13	1,000,000	3,594,014	4,594,014
5420	UNDP	Costa Rica	MSP	Promoting the Application of the Nagoya Protocol through the Development of Nature-based Products, Benefit-sharing and Biodiversity Conservation	5-7-13	979,566	4,619,309	5,598,875
5448	UNDP	Bhutan	MSP	Implementing the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit Sharing in Bhutan	8-28-13	1,000,000	2,000,000	3,000,000
5454	UNEP	Regional – Africa: Burundi, Central African Republic, Congo, Cameroon, Gabon, Eq. Guinea, Rwanda, Sao Tome & Principe, Chad, Congo DR	MSP	Ratification and Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol for the Member countries of the Central African Forests Commission COMIFAC	8-20-13	1,762,557	8,300,000	10,062,557
5613	UNDP	Cook Islands	MSP	Strengthening the Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit Sharing in the Cook Islands	12-23-13	970,000	1,499,535	2,469,535
5634	UNEP	Regional – Pacific: Micronesia, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Palau, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Samoa	MSP	Ratification and Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol in the countries of the Pacific Region	12-11-13	1,980,000	290,000	2,270,000
5626	UNEP	Kenya	MSP	Developing the Microbial Biotechnology Industry from Kenya's Soda Lakes in line with the Nagoya Protocol	12-5-13	1,000,000	1,751,845	2,751,845
<b>TOTALS</b>						<b>12,642,123</b>	<b>29,990,703</b>	<b>42,632,826</b>