

Agenda – GEF Expanded Constituency Workshop (ECW)
3-5 March 2015 / Managua, Nicaragua

Day 1 – Tuesday, 3 March 2015	
09:00 – 09:15	Opening Remarks
09:15 – 09:30	Workshop Objectives, Agenda, Materials and Resources
09:30 – 10:20	GEF-6: a new way of doing business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the GEF • GEF 2020 - New initiatives and directions Q&A
10:20 – 11:10	GEF-6 Policies and Operations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Cycle, Accessing the GEF and STAR. Q&A
11:10 – 11:25	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
11:25 – 12:15	GEF-6 Policies and Operations (Continuation): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender Equality Action Plan, Project Cancellation, Project Co-financing and Project Fee. Q&A
12:15 – 13:00	GEF Programs: Focal Area and Cross Cutting Strategies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity, Land Degradation, Sustainable Forest Management, International Waters Q&A
13:00 – 14:00	LUNCH
14:00 – 15:15	GEF Programs: Focal Area and Cross Cutting Strategies (continuation): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate Change, LDCF/SCCF, Chemicals and Waste, Integrated Approaches (IAP), Capacity Development Q&A
15:15 – 16:15	Project Design Exercise: Case Studies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using a set of cards containing the focal area objectives, programs, targets, outcomes, indicators, stakeholders, GEB, and preparation activities, teams will choose <i>a case study</i> to visually develop the building blocks of projects from an integrated perspective.
16:15 – 16:30	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
16:30 – 17:30	Project Design Exercise: Case Study (Continuation)
19:00	RECEPTION

Day 2 – Wednesday, 4 March 2015	
09:00 – 10:20	Independent Evaluation Office (IEO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring and Evaluation Policy – Practical Exercise on Project Terminal Evaluation
10:20 – 10:35	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
10:35 – 11:45	Enhancing private sector engagement at the GEF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practical Exercise
11:45 – 13:15	Project Design Exercise: Country Cases <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Country Teams will <i>discuss actual project ideas from their countries</i>. Using the list of project ideas presented by the OFP, each country team will discuss and develop these ideas further based on the practical exercise carried out on the first day.
13:15 – 14:15	LUNCH
14:15 – 14:45	GEF-6 Policy and Operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Country Support Programme (CSP) and GEF Small Grants Programme (SGP) Q&A
14:45 – 16:0	GEF and Civil Society <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to the new guidelines presented at 47th GEF Council, October 2014 Summary and discussion of the results of the CSO's meeting Q&A
16:00 – 16:15	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
16:15 – 17:15	My Experience as GEF Operational Focal Point – Nicaragua OFP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The host country's OFP will make a presentation about his personal experience and lessons learned while working as OFP for the GEF, talking about challenges, opportunities, suggestions, best practices and ideas to be put forward. Participants will be encouraged to react and provide other perspectives, enriching the contrast between different experiences and lessons amongst focal points, agencies and CSOs.
17:15	Closing Remarks
Day 3 – Thursday, 5 March 2015	Site visits (Details of the site visit will be provided during the workshop)



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