

GEF Small Grants Programme Consultation at ECWs in 2017

Overall objectives:

- To promote exchange on role and contributions of community and CSOs in global environmental management, and linkages with government, agency, and private sector partners
- To share results and exchange knowledge from SGP country programmes and grant projects within the region and with partners

The main topics of focus for the SGP Consultations at the 2017 ECWs will be:

- Learn from GEF6 results of SGP – what has worked and what can be further scaled up?
- Consult with key stakeholders in the region on SGP's strategic initiatives and directions in GEF7

Session Agenda:

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch Break

14:30 – 14:35 Opening Remarks by GEF Secretariat

14:35 – 14:45 Introduction of Participants & Election of Chair and Rapporteur

14:45 – 14:50 Introduction to the agenda

14:45 – 15:15 SGP Overview Presentation on “Implementation and Results of SGP country experiences in the region and key GEF-7 priorities and directions”

15:15 – 15:30 Q&A and introduction to the group work

15:30 – 16:30 Group work: CSOs, PFPs, OFPs, other participants will share their perspectives on the key priorities that SGP can address within its strategic initiatives in GEF7 in the region.

Discussion topics may include:

- **CSO-government-private sector linkages:** How can SGP effectively support linkages between CSOs, government, and private sector to address environment and sustainable development priorities in the GEF7 period? Are there good examples/practices in your country of engaging the private sector in support of civil society and community efforts?
- **Sustainable cities:** while SGP has traditionally focused its grants in rural areas, GEF7 provides an opportunity for SGP to address urban sustainability issues, looking at the nexus of energy, food security, and waste management. What are some good practices/approaches that SGP can draw lessons from?
- **Knowledge exchange and scaling up:** How can SGP exchange results and knowledge to promote broader adoption and scalability? What perspectives (opportunities and challenges) from your countries can inform SGP's work in this area?

Each group will elect a Facilitator and Rapporteur

16:30 – 16:50 Groups report back to the plenary

16:50 – 16:55 Wrap up (Key ideas and suggestions for SGP's implementation in GEF7)

16:55 – 17:00 Closing remarks GEF Secretariat