



**SGP** The GEF  
Small Grants  
Programme



*Empowered lives.  
Resilient nations.*

# GEF SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME OF UNDP

## **GEF Expanded Constituency Workshop**

**Feb 2020**



## Overview

- Local solutions to global environmental problems
- Supports community-based initiatives and actions
- Since 1992, GEF Corporate Program, implemented by UNDP



## KEY FACTS



21,600  
PROJECTS

on global environmental  
issues.



UP TO  
\$50,000  
PER GRANT

directly to CSOs and local  
communities for innovative and  
community-driven ideas that can  
then be replicated and scaled up.



US\$582  
MILLION

In total Grants and equal  
amount of cofinance.



# SGP Approach

**Innovation**

Technologies, tools &  
management arrangements

**Inclusion/  
integration**

Partnerships, connections and  
networking

**Scaling up  
impact**

Impact: policy influence,  
diffusion of practices



# SGP Value Proposition

## INCLUSION

## INNOVATION

## IMPACT

- Strategic platform for community-based actions for synergy, scaling up, and sustainability;
- Incubator of Innovative solutions and risk taker to safeguard the global environment;
- Focus on critical landscapes and seascapes for larger impacts, upscaling, and knowledge sharing.
- Focus on social inclusion in maximizing global environmental benefits





## Grantmaker Plus Initiatives

- CSO-Government-Private Sector Policy Dialogues (global and national)
- Social Inclusion – Leaving No One Behind
- Citizen Based Global Knowledge Platforms







# CSO-Government Dialogue Platforms

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- 1) Serve to build trust and foster joint working relationships between civil society and government on key areas for environment and sustainable development policies.
  - 2) Assist governments in establishing and institutionalizing the link of SGP communities to development plans and policy reforms that may affect them.
  - 3) Dialogue allows CSOs to highlight important and relevant issues, offer information to supplement official government data, and provide fresh insights.
  - 4) Connect policy makers with the grassroots level sustainable development issues.
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## Project Results & Impacts

**Project Name:** CSO Government Dialogue Project

**Grant Amount:** USD 30,000

**Co-financing:** USD 17,799

**Project Period:** June 2017- March 2019

**Implementing Organization:** Environmental Management for Livelihood Improvement Bwaise Facility (EMLI)

The project was designed as an effort to build value beyond grant making (Grant Maker +) by improving the working relation between CSOs and Government through reinforcing support mechanisms and platforms.

Through the project, 10 members updated their membership in the GEF-CSO Network. Currently the database has 28 active registered members from Uganda.

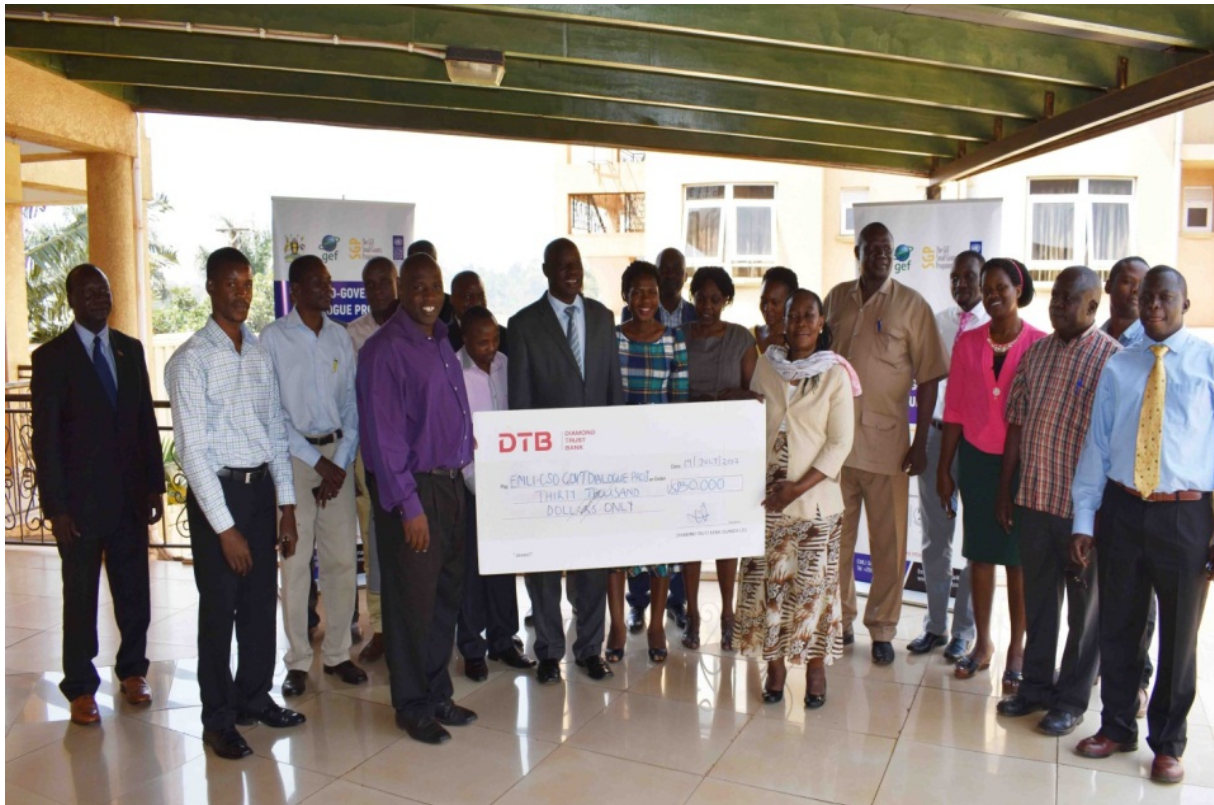
### Results & Impact

The project:

1. Established an online blog page for effective information sharing on GEF related issues and project related activities, available on [https://emlicsogovproject.blogspot.ug](https://emlicsogovproject.blogspot.ug;);
2. Identified and communicated to GEF CSO Network members other financing tools apart from GEF. This included a loan facility for institutional cook stoves being piloted by JOSA Green Limited and green credit line for energy efficiency for small and medium enterprises piloted by Diamond Trust Bank;



## EMILI Project Launch with GEF OFP & CSOs Leaders







# SGP Madagascar-CSO and Government Dialogues

- ✓ Community Land Rights recognition process
- ✓ Renewal of « Legal regulations for Community Natural Resources Management Contract »
- ✓ Technical, strategic exchanges/reflections on Community Protected Areas and ICCA

**Stakeholders:** Government, National Community Network (Tafomihaavo), UNDP CO, USAID, GIZ , ICCA consortium, Natural Justice, WWF, other Civil Society Organizations.





# CSO-Govt Dialogue on Aquaculture in Tz

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- ❖ In 2019 through SGP support, the central Government, Local Government and 10 CSOs in Mwanza region discussed challenge of low fish supply.
- ❖ With SGP support, it was agreed to promote Aquaculture



# CSO-Govt Dialogue on Aquaculture cont...

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- ❖ Central Government through a fish research institution provided demonstration, training and outreach activities
  - ❖ Local Government provided on-site technical assistance
  - ❖ The 10 CSOs promoted wider adaptation of aquaculture through sensitization initiatives
  - ❖ The project will be consolidated in 2020 through scale out to more CSOs
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# CSO – Govt dialogue in Kenya

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## Kiambu County

- a. Initiative was NGO – driven by grantee (KENVO); 2014-2015
- b. Not sustainable; collapsed after project completed
- c. Efforts to revive CSO – Government dialogue
- d. To empower existing gazetted structure (County Environment Committee) to  
(i) digitize wetlands in county; (ii) consultations to draft NRM policy

## Landscape – Seascape approach

- 1. Chaired and hosted by the county government
- 2. Members are key stakeholders at site
- 3. Participatory development of TORs
- 4. Developed a landscape/seascape adaptive strategy
- 5. County government support enhanced; technical advice, financial investment



# Effects of CSO-Govt dialogue

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Promotes sustainability

Provides opportunity for scaling-up and replication

Enhances ownership

Influences policy using bottom-up approach

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COUNTRY	SGP				
	GEF-7		ONGOING GEF-6 PORTFOLIO		ACTIVE PORTFOLIO (NUMBER OF GRANTS)
	\$m allocated	Using STAR separately	Y/N	If yes: Upgraded / Additional resources	
Comoros	0.3-0.4		Y	0.6 (Core)-Only Grants	37
Eritrea	0.3-0.4		Y	0.4 (Core) (0.7) STAR -Only Grants	13
Ethiopia	0.3-0.4		Y	0.8 (Core) 0.47 (STAR)-Only Grants	31
Kenya	3	Yes, PIF approved.	Y	4	52
Mauritius	0.3-0.4		Y	0.8 (Core)-Only Grants	12
Rwanda	0.3-0.4		Y	0.8 (Core)-Only Grants	19
Seychelles	0.3-0.4		Y	0.8 (Core)-Only Grants	20
Somalia	NA		N		
Southern Sudan	NA		N		
Sudan	NA		N		
Tanzania	0.3-0.4		Y	0.8 (Core) 1.6 (STAR)-Only Grants	41
Djibouti	0.3-0.4		Y	0.6 (Core)-Only Grants	34
Madagascar	0.3-0.4		Y	0.75 (Core) 0.96 (STAR)-Only Grants	98
Uganda	0.3-0.4		Y	0.95 (Core) 0.4 (STAR)-Only Grants	34

Thank You

