



# PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

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Barbados	Egypt	Burkina Faso	Azerbaijan	Bhutan	Indonesia	
Belize	Morocco	Cameroon	Belarus	Cambodia	Kiribati	
Costa Rica	Tunisia	Cape Verde	Bosnia & Herzegovina	China	Malaysia	
Cuba	Iran	Chad	Bulgaria	India	Marshall Islands	
Dominica	Israel	Congo, DR	Central African Republic	Korea DPR	Micronesia	
Dominican Republic	Jordan	Congo, Republic of	Croatia	Korea Rep.	Nauru	
El Salvador	Lebanon	Cote d'Ivoire	Czech Republic	Lao	Niue	
Grenada	Syria	Equatorial Guinea	Estonia	Maldives	Palau	
Guatemala	Yemen Arab Republic	Gabon	Macedonia FYR	Mongolia	Papua New Guinea	
Haiti		Gambia	Georgia	Myanmar	Philippines	
Honduras		Ghana	Hungary	Nepal	Salomon Islands	
Jamaica		Guinea	Kazakhstan	Pakistan	Samoa	
Mexico		Guinea Bissau	Kosovo	Sri Lanka	Timor-Leste	
Nicaragua		Liberia	Kyrgyz Republic	Thailand	Tonga	
Panama		Mali	Latvia	Vietnam	Vanuatu	
St. Kitts and Nevis		Mauritania	Lithuania			
St. Lucia		Niger	Moldova			
St. Vincent and the Grenadines		Nigeria	Poland			
Trinidad y Tobago		Sao tome & Principe	Romania			
Brazil		Senegal	Russian Federation			
Guyana		Sierra Leone	Montenegro			
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Suriname		Botswana	Slovenia			
Uruguay		Burundi	Tajikistan			
Argentina		Central African Republic	Turkey			
Bolivia		Comoros	Turkmenistan			
Chile		Ethiopia	Ukraine			
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Peru		Lesotho				
Venezuela		Madagascar				
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		Mozambique				
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		Rwanda				
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Meetings/Consultations	Spring 2014 ( Mexico)	Fall 2014	Spring 2015
GEF Council Consultations with Civil Society		October 27	June 1
GEF Council Meeting	May 26 - 27	October 28 - 30	June 2 - 4
LDCE/SCCF Council Meeting	May 27	October 30	June 4
GEF CSO Forum	May 27		
GEF Assembly	May 28 – 30		

### **Council Work Program for May 2014 (Cancun, Mexico)**

Events	May CWP
Receipt of Initial Council Comments	May 16
<b>Council Meeting</b>	May 26 - 27
<b>Assembly Meeting</b>	May 28 -30
Council Approval	May 27
Compilation of Council Comments	June 10 - 13

 **Kindly find attached below the links to the May 2014 Work Program for:**

**(a) GEF Trust Fund**

<https://www.thegef.org/gef/node/10431>

**(b) LDCE/SCCF**

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## ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Colleagues,

The Secretariat is happy to announce the launching of the **GEF Project Data Validator** which can be accessed through the Project Management Information System (PMIS). This new feature allows Agencies to validate their project data entries by scanning their completed templates for possible errors, and work toward correcting them before submitting to the GEF Secretariat. To make the Validator work, the Agencies must start using the coded (not noticeable) templates as currently posted in the GEF website. Please watch the short video at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fqzhHLewyD8> for instructions.

Should you need additional guidance or training, please contact our Business Solutions Officer, Juman Byun, who is behind this innovation.

With best regards,

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<b>FAO</b>									
4777		FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	FAO	Ecuador	Mainstreaming of the Use and Conservation of Agrobiodiversity in Public Policies through Integrated Strategies and In situ Implementation in three Provinces in the Andean Highlands	Mark Zimsky	23-Apr-14
5782		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	FAO	Gambia	Adapting Agriculture to Climate Change in The Gambia	Saliha Dobardzic	23-Apr-14
<b>IADB</b>									
4834		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	IADB	Brazil	Recovery and Protection of Climate and Biodiversity Services in the Southeast Atlantic Forest Corridor of Brazil	Junu Shrestha	22-Apr-14

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<b>UNDP</b>									
5126	4937	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Suriname	Mainstreaming Global Environment Commitments for Effective National Environmental Management	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	21-Apr-14
5105	4697	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Tunisia	Addressing Climate Change Vulnerabilities and Risks in Vulnerable Coastal Areas of Tunisia	Knut Sundstrom	21-Apr-14
5316	4913	MSP	Climate Change	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Seychelles	Promotion and Up-scaling of Climate-resilient, Resource Efficient Technologies in a Tropical Island Context	David Elrie Rodgers	22-Apr-14
5808	5311	MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Approval	UNDP	Algeria	Developing a National Strategy and Legal and Institutional Framework on Access to Genetic Resources and Related Benefit Sharing and Traditional Knowledge in Line with the CBD and Its Nagoya Protocol in Algeria	Jaime Cavelier	23-Apr-14
5808	5311	MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	UNDP	Algeria	Developing a National Strategy and Legal and Institutional Framework on Access to Genetic Resources and Related Benefit Sharing and Traditional Knowledge in Line with the CBD and Its Nagoya Protocol in Algeria	Jaime Cavelier	23-Apr-14
4882	5032	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	China	Enabling China to Prepare Its Third National Communication (3NC) and Biennial Update Report to the UNFCCC	Rawlestone Moore	24-Apr-14

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<b>UNEP</b>									
5776		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Approval	UNEP	Global	Supply Change: Securing Food, Sustaining Forests	Ian Gray	2-Apr-14
5776		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Global	Supply Change: Securing Food, Sustaining Forests	Ian Gray	2-Apr-14
5775		MSP	Land Degradation	CEO PIF Approval	UNEP	Global (Ethiopia, Indonesia, India, Kenya, Niger)	Building the Foundation for Forest Landscape Restoration at Scale	Mohamed Bakarr	4-Apr-14
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4930		FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Global (Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mozambique, Timor Leste, Vanuatu)	Enhancing the Conservation Effectiveness of Seagrass Ecosystems Supporting Globally Significant Populations of Dugong Across the Indian and Pacific Oceans Basins (Short Title: The Dugong and Seagrass Conservation Project)	Charlotte Gobin	22-Apr-14
5809		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Tanzania	Strengthening Institutional Capacity on Handling Living Modified Organisms (LMOs) in Tanzania	Jaime Cavelier	24-Apr-14
5746		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Mali	Scaling up Sustainable Land Management (SLM) to Strengthen Resilience of Local Communities to Adapt to Climate Change in the Koulikoro Region of Mali	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	25-Apr-14

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5811		MSP	Land Degradation	CEO PIF Approval	UNEP	Regional	Closing the Gaps in Great Green Wall Linking sectors and stakeholders for increased synergy and scaling-up	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	25-Apr-14
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5812	149959	MSP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Approval	World Bank	St. Lucia	Geothermal Resource Development in Saint Lucia	Franck Jesus	25-Apr-14
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### WWF-US

5810		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	WWF-US	Global	Protected Areas Planning in the Era of Climate Change PAPEC	Mark Zimsky	25-Apr-14
5810		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	WWF-US	Global	Protected Areas Planning in the Era of Climate Change PAPEC	Mark Zimsky	25-Apr-14

# Responses to Proponents

April 21 - 25, 2014

ID	IA ID	Type	Focal Area	Decision Sought	Proponen	Country	Project Title	Program Manage	Response Date	Remarks
<b>ADB</b>										
4652		MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	ADB	Regional (China, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam)	GMS Forest and Biodiversity Program (GMS-FBP) - Creating Transboundary Links Through a Regional Support	Ulrich Apel	22-Apr-14	MSP recommended for CEO approval
<b>EBRD</b>										
5787		MSP	International Waters	CEO MSP Approval	EBRD	Tunisia	Bizerte Lake Environmental Project Lagoon and Marine de Pollution	Christian Severin	25-Apr-14	MSP sent to Agency for revision
<b>FAO</b>										
4356		FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	FAO	China	Securing Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Use in China's Dongting Lake Protected Areas	Yoko Watanabe	21-Apr-14	FSP endorsed by CEO
5797		MSP	Land Degradation	CEO MSP Approval	FAO	Global	Securing Tenure Rights for Forest Landscape Dependent Communities: Linking Science with Policy to Advance Tenure Security, Sustainable Forest Management and People's Livelihoods	Ulrich Apel	22-Apr-14	MSP recommended for CEO approval

## UNDP

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5780	5340	EA	Land Degradation	CEO EA Approval	UNDP	Antigua And Barbuda	Support NAP Alignment and UNCCD Reporting in Antigua and Barbuda	Mohamed Bakarr	1-Apr-14	EA recommended for CEO approval
5178	4930	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Papua New Guinea	Strengthening Capacities to Measure, Report and Verify Indicators of Global Environment Benefits	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	18-Apr-14	MSP approved by CEO
5178	4930	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Papua New Guinea	Strengthening Capacities to Measure, Report and Verify Indicators of Global Environment Benefits	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	18-Apr-14	MSP approved by CEO (MSP CEO approval letter sent to Agency)
5097	5099	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Vietnam	Enhancing Capacity for Implementing Rio Conventions	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	21-Apr-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision (GEF Review sheet sent to Agency)
5543	5140	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Costa Rica	Strengthening Capacities of Rural Aqueduct Associations' (ASADAS) Adaptation to Climate Change in Northern Costa Rica	Alice Chibulu Luo	22-Apr-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision
5767	5363	MSP	Land Degradation	CEO PIF Approval	UNDP	Philippines	Implementation of SLM Practices to Address Land Degradation and Mitigate Effects of Drought	Ulrich Apel	22-Apr-14	PIF recommended for CEO clearance
5767	5363	MSP	Land Degradation	CEO PIF Approval	UNDP	Philippines	Implementation of SLM Practices to Address Land Degradation and Mitigate Effects of Drought	Ulrich Apel	22-Apr-14	PPG recommended for CEO approval
5769	535	MSP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Approval	UNDP	Mauritania	Promoting Sustainable Mini-grids in Mauritanian Provinces Through Hybrid Technologies	Ming Yang	23-Apr-14	MSP sent to Agency for revision

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5639		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Mauritania	Stocktaking and Update of National Biosafety Framework of Mauritania	Jaime Cavelier	2-Apr-14	PPG recommended for CEO approval
5807		EA	Climate Change	CEO EA Approval	UNEP	Benin	Preparation of Benin's First Biennial Update Report (BUR1) to UNFCCC	Rawleston Moore	21-Apr-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for EA revision
5776		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Approval	UNEP	Global	Supply Change: Securing Food, Sustaining Forests	Ian Gray	22-Apr-14	PIF recommended for CEO approval
5776		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Global	Supply Change: Securing Food, Sustaining Forests	Ian Gray	22-Apr-14	PPG recommended for CEO approval
5639		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Approval	UNEP	Mauritania	Stocktaking and Update of National Biosafety Framework of Mauritania	Jaime Cavelier	23-Apr-14	PIF recommended for CEO approval (PIF recommended on 4/2)
5639		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Mauritania	Stocktaking and Update of National Biosafety Framework of Mauritania	Jaime Cavelier	23-Apr-14	PPG recommended for CEO approval (PPG recommended on 4/2)
5775		MSP	Land Degradation	CEO PIF Approval	UNEP	Global (Ethiopia, Indonesia, India, Kenya, Niger)	Building the Foundation for Forest Landscape Restoration at Scale	Mohamed Bakarr	23-Apr-14	PIF recommended for CEO approval
5775		MSP	Land Degradation	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Global (Ethiopia, Indonesia, India, Kenya, Niger)	Building the Foundation for Forest Landscape Restoration at Scale	Mohamed Bakarr	23-Apr-14	PPG recommended for CEO approval

## UNIDO

5794		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNIDO	Kenya	Strengthening the resilience against climate change and improving the livelihoods of vulnerable communities in the Coast Province, Kenya	Saliha Dobardzic	22-Apr-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision (Project to be resubmitted pending available sufficient SCCF resources)
5725		MSP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Approval	UNIDO	Thailand	Greening Industry through Low Carbon Technology Application for SMEs	Franck Jesus	25-Apr-14	MSP sent to Agency for revision

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<b>World Bank</b>										
5266	132157	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	World Bank	Tunisia	Oases Ecosystems and Livelihoods Project	Mohamed Bakarr	21-Apr-14	FSP endorsed by CEO
5221		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	World Bank	Ghana	PSG-Additional financing - Sustainable Land and Water Management Project	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	22-Apr-14	FSP endorsed by CEO
5221		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	World Bank	Ghana	PSG-Additional financing - Sustainable Land and Water Management Project	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	22-Apr-14	FSP recommended for endorsement
3905		FP	POPs	CEO endorsement of FSP	World Bank	Egypt	Sustainable Persistent Organic Pollutants Management Project	Ibrahima Sow	23-Apr-14	FSP circulated to Council before CEO endorsement
5387	145106	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	World Bank	Mexico	Mexico Sustainable Energy Technology Development	Franck Jesus	25-Apr-14	FSP endorsed by CEO