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A weekly update on the GEF Program Management

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- Announcements

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GEF Council Consultations with Civil Society	June 1	Oct 19	June 6
GEF Council Meeting	June 2 - 4	Oct 20 -22	June 7 -9
LDCF/SCCF Council Meeting	June 4	Oct 22	June 9
GEFCSO Forum			
STAP Panel Meetings	June 1	Oct 19	June 6

Council Work Program for June 2015

Events	June CWP
Receipt deadline for new PIF proposals for possible inclusion in the WP	March 13
Deadline for Technical Clearances from PMs/ Deadline for GEFOBS Clearances	March 30
GEFSEC Constitutes WP (Tentative)	April 6
Draft Cover Note to GEFOP	April 17
GEFOP Meeting	April 20
Posting of Work Program	April 27
Council Meeting	June 2 - 4
Council Approval	June 4
Compilation of Council Comments	June 18

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Expanded Constituency Workshops

February 17-19

Southern Africa: Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Windhoek, Namibia

March 3-5

Mesoamerica + Venezuela: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Venezuela

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March 17-19

Asia: Cambodia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam + Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Sri Lanka + China

Colombo, Sri Lanka

April 14-16

South America: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay + Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador

Asuncion, Paraguay

April 21-23

Sahel West Africa: Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Chad, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, The Gambia

Cabo Verde (location TBD)

May 19-21

Central Africa: Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Congo, Congo DR, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Sao Tome and Principe

Libreville, Gabon

June 23-25

Eastern Europe: Albania, Bulgaria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Georgia, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Ukraine.

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February 10-12

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AfDB									
8019		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	AfDB	Congo	Promoting Access to Renewable Energy and Development of IT Tools for Climate Change Adaptation for Rural Communities of Congo	Knut Sundstrom	13-Jan-15
FAO									
7997		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	FAO	Uganda	Integrating Climate Resilience into Agricultural and Pastoral Production in Uganda, through a Farmer/Agro-Pastoralist Field School Approach	Saliha Dobardzic	12-Jan-15
5139		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	FAO	China	Sustainable Forest Management to Enhance the Resilience of Forests to Climate Change	Ulrich Apel	12-Jan-15

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<u>IFAD</u>									
5174		FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	IFAD	Yemen	Rural Adaptation in Yemen	Saliha Dobardzic	13-Jan-15
5376		FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	IFAD	Chad	Enhancing the Resilience of the Agricultural Ecosystems	Knut Sundstrom	14-Jan-15
5174		FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	IFAD	Yemen	Rural Adaptation in Yemen	Saliha Dobardzic	14-Jan-15
5174		FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	IFAD	Yemen	Rural Adaptation in Yemen	Saliha Dobardzic	15-Jan-15

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UNDP									
8018	5396	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Regional (Kiribati, Solomon Islands, Tuvalu, Vanuatu)	Building Resilience of Health Systems in Pacific Island LDCs to Climate Change	Rawleston Moore	9-Jan-15
5343	4711	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Namibia	Scaling Up Community Resilience to Climate Variability and Climate Change in Northern Namibia, with a Special Focus on Women and Children	Knut Sundstrom	13-Jan-15
8020	5336	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Niger	Planning and financing adaptation in Niger	Knut Sundstrom	15-Jan-15
5586	5232	MSP	Climate Change	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Sri Lanka	Appropriate Mitigation Actions in the Energy Generation and End-Use Sectors in Sri Lanka	David Elrie Rodgers	16-Jan-15
5555	5193	MSP	Climate Change	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Vietnam	Local Development and Promotion of LED Technologies for Advanced General Lighting	Ming Yang	16-Jan-15
UNEP									
5831		MSP	Climate Change	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Global	Establishing the Foundations of a Global Partnership to Accelerate the Market Transformation for Efficient Appliances and Equipment	David Elrie Rodgers	12-Jan-15

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AfDB										
8013		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	AfDB	Malawi	Climate Adaptation for Sustainable Water Supply	Knut Sundstrom	13-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision
8014		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	AfDB	Lesotho	Climate Change Adaptation for Sustainable Rural Water Supply in Lowlands Lesotho	Rawleston Moore	13-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision
FAO										
5288		FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	FAO	Colombia	Implementing the Socio-Ecosystem Connectivity Approach to Conserve and Sustainable Use Biodiversity in the Caribbean Region of Colombia	Mark Zimsky	13-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PPG revision
4800		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	FAO	Cameroon	Sustainable Forest Management under the Authority of Cameroonian Councils	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	15-Jan-15	FSP endorsed by CEO
IFAD										
5147		FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	IFAD	Georgia	Enhancing Resilience of Agricultural Sector in Georgia (ERASIG)	Knut Sundstrom	13-Jan-15	FSP endorsed by CEO

UNDP

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5337	5165	FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Sri Lanka	Enhancing Biodiversity Conservation and Sustenance of Ecosystem Services in Environmentally Sensitive Areas	Yoko Watanabe	8-Jan-15	FSP recommended for endorsement (Docs circulating for clearance/signature)
5613	531	MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Cook Islands	Strengthening the Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit Sharing in the Cook Islands	Jaime Cavelier	12-Jan-15	MSP recommended for CEO approval
5380	4648	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Haiti	Increasing Resilience of Ecosystems and Vulnerable Communities to CC and Anthropic Threats Through a Ridge to Reef Approach to BD Conservation and Watershed Management	Rawleston Moore	13-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
7993	5495	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Belarus	Conservation-oriented Management of Forests and Wetlands to Achieve Multiple Benefits	Ulrich Apel	13-Jan-15	PIF recommended for CEO clearance (Technically cleared - Rsheet sent to Agency)
5348	5168	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Cook Islands	Conserving Biodiversity and Enhancing Ecosystem Functions through a “Ridge to Reef” Approach in the Cook Island	Nicole Glineur	13-Jan-15	FSP recommended for endorsement

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5542	5247	FP	International Waters	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Regional (Antigua And Barbuda, Barbados, Brazil, Belize, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Haiti, Jamaica, St. Kitts And Nevis, St. Lucia, Mexico, Panama, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, St. Vincent and Grenadines)	Catalyzing Implementation of the Strategic Action Programme for the Sustainable Management of Shared Living Marine Resources in the Caribbean and North Brazil Shelf Large Marine Ecosystems (CMLE+)	Christian Severin	14-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
5378	5187	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Brazil	Fourth National Communication and Biennial Update Reports to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)	Rawleston Moore	15-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
7998	5409	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Yemen	Building Climate Resilience to Reduce Vulnerability in Wadis and Coastal Areas	Knut Sundstrom	15-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision
8016	5548	EA	Multi Focal Area	CEO EA Approval	UNDP	Somalia	National Capacity Self-Assessment (NCSA) for Global Environmental Management in Somalia	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	15-Jan-15	EA approved by CEO (Review sheet and EA Signed letter sent to Agency)
8016	5548	EA	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Approval	UNDP	Somalia	National Capacity Self-Assessment (NCSA) for Global Environmental Management in Somalia	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	15-Jan-15	PIF not recommended for further development

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5468	4980	MSP	Climate Change	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Georgia	Green Cities : Integrated Sustainable Transport in the City of Batumi and the Ajara Region	Xiaomei Tan	16-Jan-15	MSP sent to Agency for revision
5348	5168	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Cook Islands	Conserving Biodiversity and Enhancing Ecosystem Functions through a “Ridge to Reef” Approach in the Cook Island	Nicole Glineur	16-Jan-15	FSP circulated to Council before CEO endorsement (Comments due 2-12-2015)
5088	4955	FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Dominican Republic	Conserving Biodiversity in Coastal Areas Threatened by Rapid Tourism and Physical Infrastructure Development	Mark Zimsky	16-Jan-15	FSP circulated to Council before CEO endorsement (Comments due 2-12-2015)
5604	5241	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Bosnia-Herzegovina	Technology Transfer for Climate Resilient Flood Management in Vrbas River Basin	Dustin Schinn	16-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision

UNEP

5386		MSP	Climate Change	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Albania	Building the Resilience of Kune-Vaini Lagoon through Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA)	Saliha Dobardzic	15-Jan-15	MSP sent to Agency for revision
5347		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Yemen	Support to the Integrated Program for the Conservation and Sustainable Development of the Socotra Archipelago	Jaime Cavelier	15-Jan-15	FSP recommended for endorsement (Review Sheet and Cover Memo completed)

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6990		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Approval	UNEP	Bosnia-Herzegovina	Achieving Biodiversity Conservation through Creation and Effective Management of Protected Areas, Capacity Building and Mainstreaming Biodiversity into Land Use Planning	Yoko Watanabe	16-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision
6990		MSP	Biodiversity	CEO PPG approval	UNEP	Bosnia-Herzegovina	Achieving Biodiversity Conservation through Creation and Effective Management of Protected Areas, Capacity Building and Mainstreaming Biodiversity into Land Use Planning	Yoko Watanabe	16-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PPG revision
5150		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Chile	Delivering the Transition to Energy Efficient Lighting	David Elrie Rodgers	16-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision

World Bank

4947	132748	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	World Bank	China	Establish Measurement and Verification System for Energy Efficiency in China	Ming Yang	7-Nov-14	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision
5479	133803	FP	Land Degradation	CEO endorsement of FSP	World Bank	India	Integrated SLEM Approaches for Reducing Land Degradation and Desertification	Ulrich Apel	15-Jan-15	FSP recommended for endorsement (Council Notified - due date COB Feb 10,2015)

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<u>AfDB</u>									
8021		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	AfDB	Zambia	Zambia Lake Tanganyika Basin Sustainable Development Project	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	20-Jan-15
8014		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	AfDB	Lesotho	Climate Change Adaptation for Sustainable Rural Water Supply in Lowlands Lesotho	Alice Chibulu Luo	21-Jan-15

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UNDP									
5381	5218	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Nauru	R2R: Implementing a “Ridge to Reef” Approach to Protecting Biodiversity and Ecosystem Functions in Nauru (R2R Nauru)	Charlotte Gobin	18-Dec-14
5179	4686	FP	POPs	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Mexico	Sound Management of POPs Containing Waste	Ibrahima Sow	20-Jan-15
5104	4430	FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Russian Federation	Sustainable Land Management and Ecosystem-based Climate Change Mitigation in the Altai-Sayan Ecoregion (RESUBMISSION)	Ulrich Apel	20-Jan-15
5355	5259	MSP	Biodiversity	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Moldova	Mainstreaming Biodiversity Conservation into Territorial Planning Policies and Land-Use Practices	Yoko Watanabe	20-Jan-15
6913	5392	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Uzbekistan	Sustainable Rural Housing Project	Xiaomei Tan	20-Jan-15
5683	5347	FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP, UNDP	Global	Assisting non- LDC Developing Countries with Country-driven Processes to Advance National Adaptation Plans (NAPs)	Knut Sundstrom	21-Jan-15
8023	5552	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Guinea	Strengthening climate information and early warning systems for climate resilient development and adaptation to climate change in Guinea	Knut Sundstrom	21-Jan-15
8001	5430	FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNDP	Chad	Community-based climate risks management in Chad	Knut Sundstrom	21-Jan-15

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5467	4883	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Georgia	Harmonization of Information Management for Improved Knowledge and Monitoring of the Global Environment in Georgia	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	21-Jan-15
5579	5049	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Palau	Mainstreaming Global Environmental Priorities into National Policies and Programmes	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	21-Jan-15
6987	5508	MSP	Chemicals and Waste	CEO PIF Approval	UNDP	Tajikistan	Protect human health and the environment from unintentional releases of POPs and Mercury from the unsound disposal of healthcare waste in Tajikistan	Anil Sookdeo	21-Jan-15
5471	4925	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Paraguay	Capacity Development for Improved decision-making for the Global Environment	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	22-Jan-15

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UNEP									
5390		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Antigua And Barbuda	Sustainable Pathways - Protected Areas and Renewable Energy	Mark Zimsky	19-Dec-14
8025		FP	Biodiversity	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Peru	Effective Implementation of the Access and Benefit Sharing and Traditional Knowledge Regime in Peru in accordance with the Nagoya Protocol	Jaime Cavelier	20-Jan-15
5683		FP	Climate Change	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP, UNDP	Global	Assisting non- LDC Developing Countries with Country-driven Processes to Advance National Adaptation Plans (NAPs)	Knut Sundstrom	21-Jan-15
8022		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Lao PDR	Building the capacity of the Lao PDR government to advance the National Adaptation Planning process	Fareeha Iqbal	21-Jan-15
6986		FP	Climate Change	CEO PIF Clearance for WPI	UNEP	Rwanda	Building the Capacity of Rwanda's Government to advance the National Adaptation Planning process	Rawleston Moore	21-Jan-15
8024		MSP	Climate Change	CEO MSP Approval	UNEP	Global (Antigua And Barbuda, Fiji, Lesotho, Myanmar, Mauritania, Mozambique, Seychelles, Turkmenistan, Zambia)	Preparation of intended nationally determined contribution (INDC) to the 2015 Agreement under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)	Rawleston Moore	21-Jan-15

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<u>UNIDO</u>									
5325		MSP	POPs	CEO MSP Approval	UNIDO	Congo	Environmentally Sound Management and Final Disposal of PCBs	Evelyn Swain	23-Jan-15

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FAO										
5144		MSP	POPs	CEO MSP Approval	FAO	Uruguay	Strengthening Capacities for the Sound Management of Pesticides including POPs	Anil Sookdeo	20-Jan-15	MSP sent to Agency for revision
UNDP										
5471	4925	MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Paraguay	Capacity Development for Improved decision-making for the Global Environment	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	21-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision (review Sheet sent to Agency)
5338	4829	FP	Biodiversity	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Argentina	Mainstreaming Sustainable Use of Biodiversity in Production Practices of Small Producers to Protect the Biodiversity of High Value Conservation Forests in the Atlantic Forest, Yungas and Chaco	Mark Zimsky	22-Jan-15	FSP endorsed by CEO
5404	5221	FP	International Waters	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNDP	Regional (Cook Islands, Fiji, Micronesia, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Palau, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Samoa)	R2R: Testing the Integration of Water, Land, Forest & Coastal Management to Preserve Ecosystem Services, Store Carbon, Improve Climate Resilience and Sustain Livelihoods in Pacific Island Countries	Nicole Glineur	23-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision

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6959	5410EA		Chemicals and Waste	CEO EA Approval	UNDP	Global (Bangladesh, Guinea-Bissau, Mauritania, Mozambique, Samoa)	Strengthen national decision making towards ratification of the Minamata Convention and build capacity towards implementation of future provisions	Ibrahima Sow	23-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for EA revision
5471	4925MSP		Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Paraguay	Capacity Development for Improved decision-making for the Global Environment	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	23-Jan-15	MSP approved by CEO
5471	4925MSP		Multi Focal Area	CEO MSP Approval	UNDP	Paraguay	Capacity Development for Improved decision-making for the Global Environment	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	23-Jan-15	MSP approved by CEO (Letter sent to Agency)

UNEP

5347		FP	Multi Focal Area	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Yemen	Support to the Integrated Program for the Conservation and Sustainable Development of the Socotra Archipelago	Jaime Cavelier	15-Jan-15	FSP recommended for endorsement (Review Sheet and Cover Memo completed)
8003		FP	Land Degradation	CEO endorsement of FSP	UNEP	Cuba	Supporting Implementation of the Cuban National Programme to Combat Desertification and	Mohamed Bakarr	23-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for FSP revision

UNIDO

6993		MSP	Multi Focal Area	CEO PIF Approval	UNIDO	Global	Integrated Solutions for Energy, Water, Food, and Ecosystem Security under Rapid Global Change	Astrid Hillers	22-Jan-15	Review Sheet sent to Agency for PIF revision
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