

Green Climate Fund Interim Secretariat



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INFORMATION NOTE

Following up on the earlier two information notes regarding the launching of the Green Climate Fund, dated 22 December 2011 and 7 February 2012, this note provides an update on the status of the preparations for the first meeting of the Board.

Nominations for the position of member and alternate member of the Board of the Green Climate Fund were due for submission to the Interim Secretariat through regional groups and constituencies by 31 March 2012. There has been some progress in the nomination process but the process has not yet been concluded. It is expected that all nomination will be received in the coming days or weeks.

Given these circumstances, we consider that there is not sufficient time remaining for proper preparations for a successful first Board meeting in April 2012, as announced earlier. Both, the substantive preparations for newly nominated Board members, and logistic preparations, including making the necessary travel arrangements, will require a lead-time of more than the two remaining weeks. Any further delay in arranging for the first Board meeting will, for instance, mean that there is a serious risk that some Board members or observers may not be able to obtain the necessary visas to allow them to travel to the meeting.

It has therefore been decided to postpone the first Board meeting. **The first Board meeting is now planned to be held from 31 May to 2 June 2012 in Geneva** at the kind invitation of the Government of Switzerland. Scheduling takes account of other meeting dates of bodies under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Global Environment Facility and meetings related to the Rio +20 conference.

For any question, please contact the Interim Secretariat at: <isecretariat@GCFund.net>

Yours sincerely,

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