Draft guidance to the Global Environment Facility

Draft by the co-facilitators of the working group of the Standing Committee on Finance on the draft guidance to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism¹

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| Standard paragraphs | The Conference of the Parties, Noting the draft decision on the guidance to the Global Environment Facility prepared by the Standing Committee on Finance; 1. Welcomes the report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties at its twenty fourth session and its addenda, including the responses of the Global Environment Facility to the guidance from the Conference of the Parties; | | | Standard paragraphs, inserted by the secretariat |
| GEF-7 replenishment | 2. <i>Welcomes with appreciation</i> the seventh replenishment of the Global Environment Facility (July 2018 to June 2022), resulting in an overall financial package of USD 4.1 billion and a strong set of policy recommendations; | Welcomes with appreciation the seventh replenishment of the Global Environment Facility (July 2018 to June 2022), while urging all countries that have not made pledges for the seventh replenishment of the Global Environment Facility to do so as soon as possible The EU welcomes the robust GEF-7 replenishment negotiations and its positive outcome, resulting in an overall | Mr. Randy Caruso EU | Inputs from Mr. Caruso and the EU were combined into one paragraph. The second part of Mr. Caruso's input can be found in paragraph 4. |
| | | financial package of approx. USD 4.1 billion for the next four years and a strong set of policy recommendations | | |

¹ See background document SCF/2018/19/3 for more information.

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| | 3. <i>Also welcomes with appreciation</i> the increased integration of climate to other focal areas and to impact programs in the seventh replenishment of the Global Environment Facility, as well as the better use of synergies and increased focus on innovation; | As part of the GEF-7 agreement, we also strongly support ongoing work for the increased integration of climate to other focal areas and to Impact Programs, the better use of synergies and increased focus on innovation | EU | "Strongly support" was captured as "welcomes with appreciation." |
| | 4. <i>Urges</i> all Parties that have not made pledges for the seventh replenishment of the Global Environment Facility to do so as soon as possible; | Welcomes with appreciation the seventh replenishment of the Global Environment Facility (July 2018 to June 2022), while urging all countries that have not made pledges for the seventh replenishment of the Global Environment Facility to do so as soon as possible | Mr. Randy Caruso | "Countries" have been changed to "Parties". |
| Technology | 5. <i>Invites</i> the Global Environment Facility to enhance the information in its reports to the Conference of the Parties on the outcomes of the collaboration between the Poznan strategic programme's climate technology and finance centres and the Climate Technology Centre and Network; | Invites the GEF to enhance the information in its reports to the COP on the outcomes of the collaboration between the Poznan strategic programme's climate technology and finance centers and the Climate Technology Centre and Network | TEC | Verbatim from the TEC input. |
| Private sector | 6. Welcomes the establishment of the private sector advisory group; 7. Encourages a balanced composition of the private sector advisory group referred to in paragraph 6 above, in terms of gender and geographical coverage; | Welcomes the establishment of the Private Sector Advisory Group, and encourages a balanced composition in terms of gender and geographical coverage | Mr. Randy Caruso | <i>The inputs were split into two paragraphs to use one operative verb per paragraph.</i> |

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| Policies | 8. Welcomes the Global Environment Facility Council's decision to begin the process of developing an anti-money laundering and counter terrorism finance policy; 9. Requests the Global Environment Facility to include information in its report to the Conference of the Parties at its 25th session updates on the process referred to in paragraph 8 above; | Welcomes the Global Environment Facility Council's decision to begin the process of developing an anti-money laundering and counter terrorism finance policy, and requests that updates on this work be included in the Global Environment Facility's report to the 25 th Conference of the Parties | Mr. Randy Caruso | <i>Mr. Caruso's inputs have simply been split into two paragraphs to use one operative verb per paragraph.</i> |
| | 10. <i>Welcomes</i> the updated policy on co-financing of the Global Environment Facility, which establishes a greater level of ambition for the overall portfolio of the Global Environment Facility; | Welcomes the updated policy on co-financing of the Global Environment Facility, which establishes a greater level of ambition for the overall GEF portfolio | Mr. Randy Caruso | Verbatim from Mr. Caruso's input. |
| | 11. <i>Requests</i> the Global Environment Facility to review and, if necessary, update or adopt policies for the prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse of authority with the aim to protect staff of the Global Environment Facility as well as its partner organisations from unwanted sexual advances, prevent inappropriate behaviour and abuse of power and provide guidelines for reporting incidents; | <i>Requests</i> the [GCF][GEF] to review and if necessary update or adopt policies for the prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse of authority with the aim to protect staff of the operating entities as well as their partner organisations from unwanted sexual advances, prevent inappropriate behavior and abuse of power and provide guidelines for reporting incidents. | Mr. Pieter Terpstra | This input by Mr. Terpstra pertained both to the GCF and the GEF. Minor editorial adjustments have been made to specify the GCF and the GEF. |

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| Standard paragraphs | 12. <i>Invites</i> Parties to submit to the secretariat in writing, no later than 12 weeks prior to the twenty-fifth session of the Conference of the Parties (December 2019), their views and recommendations on elements to be taken into account in developing guidance to the Global Environment Facility; | | | Standard paragraphs, inserted by the secretariat |
| | 13. <i>Requests</i> the Standing Committee on Finance to take into consideration the submissions referred to in paragraph 12 above when preparing its draft guidance to the Global Environment Facility for consideration by the Conference of the Parties; | | | |
| | 14. <i>Also requests</i> the Global Environment Facility to include in its annual report to the Conference of the Parties information on the steps that it has taken to implement the guidance provided in this decision. | | | |