

Operationalizing New Funding Arrangements:
GEF Perspective

Second workshop on addressing loss and damage in the context of decisions 2/CP.27 and 2/CMA.4

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GEF Family of Funds

Trust Funds that serve CBD

NPIF Fund



GEF Trust Fund

Trust Fund that serves CBD, CCD, Minamata

Convention, Stockholm Convention, UNFCCC, BBNJ





Trust Funds that

serve UNFCCC





















GBF Fund



 Establish outside GEF family of funds

- Under WB Directive, Financial Intermediary Funds
- Governance, \$
 sources, access,
 support, etc. to be
 negotiated
- Required steps and time: Based on FIF approval process

family of funds New fund within

 Governance: Can be own Council with observers & bodies

- \$ source: Can include sources beyond sovereign
- Access: Can be streamlined, simplified access and project cycle
- Support: Own programming strategy and resource allocation
- Required steps and time: ~6 months for Council decision on fund establishment and programming strategy

New window for existing fund

• Governance: LDCF/SCCF Council

- \$ source: Same as LDCF/SCCF unless COP decides otherwise; resources can be earmarked to a window
- Access: Same as LDCF/SCCF
- Support: Update LDCF/SCCF programming strategy and resource allocation
- Required steps and time: Council decision needed

existing funds þ dditional activities

• Governance: LDCF/SCCF Council

- \$ source: Same as LDCF/SCCF unless COP decides otherwise
- Access: Same as LDCF/SCCF
- Support: Within existing LDCF/SCCF programming strategy, with inclusion in next (GEF-9) strategy
- Required steps and time: Minimal, but financial sources/ feasibility need clarification

Responsive to COP/CMA, with reporting and review as decided

Fund Establishment Timeline: GBF Fund Example

Joint CBD-GEF Notification to CBD national focal points, ABS focal points, Cartagena Protocol focal points

April 10, May 19, June 5



CBD COP and Global
Biodiversity Framework
Adoption
December 7-20

ceo Outreach to Council February 10 1st Council Consultative Meetings April 19-20 2nd Council consultative meeting May 24 64th Council Meeting Approval of Fund Establishment and Programming Directions June 26-29

GBFF
Fund
Launch at GEF
Assembly
August

1st GBFF Council January 2024

December 2022

January 2023

February 2023

March 2023 April 2023

May 2023

June 2023

July 2023

August

2023-

- 6 months from COP decision to Council decision for fund establishment
- Numerous consultations to solicit stakeholder perspectives
- Responsiveness to COP guidance in operationalization is key

MDB/IFI
Consultations
April 21

Constituency meetings
May-June

IP Group, CSO Network briefing, GEF Agencies briefing, private sector consultations, additional consultations and bilaterals

Fund establishment by Trustee and World Bank Summer - fall

Governance Arrangements: GBF Fund Example







Governance

Funding sources

Project cycle and access



Advisory group(s) of non-sovereign participants and Auxiliary body of developing countries with areas of particular importance for biodiversity and ecosystem functions and services



GEF Council to meet as the Council for the GBF Fund: **GBF Fund Council** (similar to LDCF/SCCF arrangements)



Expanded observers: Private sector; philanthropic and conservation organizations; Indigenous Peoples and local communities; youth group; women

Resources and Structure: GBF Fund Example





Set up to accept contributions from all sources, including sovereign, private finance, philanthropies, etc. with policy and process requirements



Share for IPLCs set, LDCs and SIDS prioritized, MDB and IFI share established



Informed by each country's response to resource mobilization strategy



Option to add programs (windows)

during fund lifetime if such need arises

Response to COP guidance

As decided by Council

(Informed by SCCF window structure)

Feasibility and Sustainability of Funding Arrangement



- Clarify of COP/CMA decisions: governance, institutional setup, programming priorities, timing...
- Sources of financing and their stability/viability
- Managing expectations
- Time
- Ease of establishing integrated programming among GEF family of funds, and enhancing complementarity with partners such as GCF