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Matters related to the Work Plan of the Board 2016

Proposal from the Co-Chairs

Summary

This document updates the work plan for the Board for 2016 and outlines a number of agenda items requiring deferral.

I. Introduction

1. As part of the Co-Chairs' analysis of the work plan of the Board for 2016 and in consideration of support from the Secretariat on the implementation of the strategic plan, the Co-Chairs have identified a number of agenda items requiring either (1) deferral or (2) inclusion into the work plan. This document elaborates on these agenda items and outlines a number of procedural decisions which are suggested for deferral to subsequent meetings of the Board.

II. Updates to the work plan of the Board for 2016

2. In decision B.12/06, the Board approved the work plan of the Board for 2016 and requested the Co-Chairs to update the work plan following each meeting of the Board to reflect the decisions of the Board. An update to the 2016 work plan is presented in annex I to this document.

III. Mobilization of private sector finance for forestry-related result areas

3. In decision B.12/07, paragraph (f), the Board invited the Private Sector Advisory Group to make recommendations on the mobilization of private sector finance to progress the GCF forestry-related result areas for consideration by the Board at its fifteenth meeting (B.15).

4. The Co-Chairs, in consultation with the Secretariat, propose that this matter be deferred to the sixteenth meeting of the Board (B.16) and be included in the work plan for 2017 for consideration by the Board accordingly.

5. The draft decision text relating to this matter is contained in annex II to this document.

IV. Alternative policy approaches

6. In decision B.12/07, paragraph (e), the Board requested the Secretariat to provide a document, for the consideration of the Board at B.15, regarding alternative policy approaches, such as joint mitigation and adaptation approaches for the integral and sustainable management of forests consistent with United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) decision 16/CP.21, paragraph 6, and UNFCCC decision 7/CP.21, paragraph 25. The Co-Chairs, in consultation with the Secretariat, propose that this matter be deferred to the seventeenth meeting of the Board.

7. The draft decision text relating to this matter is contained in annex II to this document.

V. Presentation and adoption of the risk and investment guidelines

8. In decision B.13/36, paragraph (a), the Board adopted the Interim risk and investment guidelines. These guidelines will expire the earlier of (1) B.16, or (2) at the adoption of an updated set of risk policies and guidelines as determined by decision B.12/34.

9. In decision B.12/34, paragraph (g), the Board requested the Risk Management Committee, with support from the Secretariat, to prepare and present to the Board for its consideration, no later than B.15, an updated set of risk policies and guidelines that include internal risk ratings methodologies, which should consider a differentiation of risks between adaptation and mitigation.

10. The Co-Chairs, in consultation with the Secretariat, propose that this matter be deferred to B.16.

11. The draft decision text relating to this matter is contained in annex II to this document.

VI. Mobilizing resources at scale: request for proposals

12. In decision B.09/09, paragraph (g), the Board requested the Private Sector Advisory Group to present additional information on possible avenues for mobilizing funding at scale at the tenth meeting of the Board. Furthermore, in decision B.10/11, the Board allocated up to USD 500 million over the course of the initial resource mobilization period for a programme for a pilot programme to mobilize resources at scale. The Board requested the Secretariat to prepare the terms of reference for a request for proposals for entities to mobilize resources at scale for consideration no later than the twelfth meeting of the Board.

13. In decision B.13/04, the Board decided to defer the consideration of the pilot programme on mobilizing resources at scale to its fourteenth meeting (B.14). The Co-Chairs, in consultation with the Secretariat, propose that this matter be further deferred to B.15.

14. The draft decision text relating to this matter is contained in annex II to this document.

VII. Outstanding elements related to the Fund's fiduciary standards

15. In May 2014, the Board by decision B.07/02, paragraph (b), adopted the initial fiduciary principles and standards set out in Annex II to that decision, and envisaged a review of these standards within three years. A placeholder was included in such annex at paragraph 1.2.5 in light of the fact that the Fund did not, at such time, have in place a policy on anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism financing.

16. At the eleventh meeting of the Board, the Secretariat presented to the Board a draft policy addressing fraud, corruption and other prohibited practices, and policies addressing anti-money laundering and countering the financing of terrorism. Due to time constraints, the Board did not discuss this matter at its eleventh meeting.

17. At the twelfth meeting of the Board, by decision B.12/31, para (h), the Board adopted the General Principles on Prohibited Practices, contained in Exhibit A of the template Accreditation Master Agreement, as the Fund's interim policy on prohibited practices to be observed by accredited entities, and readiness partners. By the same decision, para (j), the Board also requested the Risk Management Committee, with support of the Secretariat, to further develop the Fund's Policies on prohibited practices for consideration by the Board at its fourteenth meeting.

18. With the selection of the head of the Fund's Independent Integrity Unit, the Co-Chairs propose that the Head of the Integrity Unit develops the full set of policies relating to prohibited practices, anti-money laundering and countering the financing of terrorism and present these to the Board for its consideration as early as feasible in 2017 as a matter of urgency.

19. Once such policies have been adopted by the Board, the Co-Chairs propose that the Accreditation Committee, with the support of the Head of the Independent Integrity Unit, consider the best way to integrate such policies in the interim fiduciary standards, and present to the Board a proposal for its consideration as early as feasible in 2017 as a matter of urgency.

VIII. Review of the Gender policy and Gender action plan

20. Pursuant to decision B.12/16, the Board is scheduled to consider the review of the GCF Gender policy and Gender action plan at B.15, with the terms of reference for the review being considered at the thirteenth meeting of the Board.
21. The Co-Chairs, in consultation with the Secretariat, propose that this matter be taken up at B.16.
22. The draft decision text relating to this matter is contained in annex II to this document.

IX. Review of the Independent Technical Advisory Panel

23. In its decision B.09/10, the Board approved the terms of reference for the independent Technical Advisory Panel (iTAP). Further, in its decision, B.10/09, the Board decided that the Secretariat, in consultation with the Investment Committee, will conduct a review of the effectiveness of the iTAP for the Board's consideration at its fourteenth meeting.
24. The Co-Chairs, in consultation with the Secretariat, propose that this matter be included in the fifteenth meeting of the Board to be considered alongside the item on the review of the initial proposal approvals process.
25. Draft decision text relating to this matter is contained in annex II to this document.

X. Policies and procedures for contributions from philanthropic foundations and other non-public and alternative sources

26. In its decision B.11/05, the Board requested the Secretariat to develop, for consideration by the Board at B.14, policies and procedures for contributions from philanthropic foundations and other non-public and alternative sources to the Initial Resource Mobilization process, in accordance with decision B.08/13, annex XIX, paragraphs 5-7 (document GCF/B.08/45, annex XIX, paragraphs 5-7), including a due diligence process for these contributions.
27. The Co-Chairs, in consultation with the Secretariat, propose that this matter be deferred to the seventeenth meeting of the Board.
28. The draft decision text relating to this matter is contained in annex II to this document.

XI. Approval of the administrative budget and work programme of the Secretariat for 2017-2019

29. At its thirteenth meeting, the Board requested the Secretariat, in consultation with the Budget Committee, to present to the Board several proposals that will have budgetary implications at B.14, including Secretariat staffing for communication and outreach by its decision B.13/25, paragraph (e), and the additional measures to strengthen Secretariat capacity by decision B.13/26, paragraph (h).
30. Therefore, consideration of the approval of the administrative budget and work programme of the Secretariat for 2017-2019 is deferred to B.15 in order to take into account the above-mentioned budgetary implications.

XI. Competitive process for the selection of the permanent Trustee

31. In its decision B.08/22, the Board agreed that the process to appoint the permanent trustee should be concluded no later than the end of 2017 so that the permanent trustee can start its contractual agreement with the Green Climate Fund (GCF) no later than April 2018. In the same decision, the Board requested the Secretariat to developing a methodology for an open, transparent and competitive bidding process to select the permanent trustee.
32. In accordance with th same decisins, the Board is expected to conclude the review of the interim Trustee at its fourteenth session.
33. In order to build on the outcomes of the review of the interim Trustree, the Co-Chairs, in consultation with the Secretariat, propose that this matter be deferred to the fifteenth meeting of the Board.
34. The draft decision text relating to this matter is contained in annex II to this document.



Annex I: Revised work plan of the Board for 2016

Work Plan of the Board for 2016

Issue	B.14 (October 2016)	B.15 (December 2016)
Strategies and plans		
Work plan 2016	Circulate an updated 2016 work plan following B.13 decisions, including a progress report	Circulate an updated 2016 work plan following B.14 decisions, including a progress report
Strategic plan for the GCF (decision B.11/03)	- Co-Chairs to present progress on the consultations for opportunities for the GCF to add value by co-financing projects and programmes together with the Global Environment Facility, the Adaptation Fund or multilateral development banks	Pending follow-up matters on the strategic plan, including a progress report - The Secretariat to undertake an analysis of barriers to crowding-in and maximizing the engagement of the private sector to present to the Board no later than its fifteenth meeting
Strategy on the accreditation strategy (decision B.10/06, para. (r) and decision B.12/21); Communications strategy	Presentation of a strategy for adoption (B.13/19, para. (b))	
Governance – COP Guidance		
COP guidance and reports (Governing Instrument for the GCF, paras. 6(a-c))	Board approval of the addendum to the report to the COP (decision B.13/08, para. (b)) as a decision to be taken between B.14 and B.15	
COP guidance: complementarity and coherence (decision B.12/07, para. (a))		Presentation of the operational framework on complementarity and coherence (decision B.13/12, para. (a))
COP guidance: technology-related matters (decision B.12/07, para. (b))	Presentation of a document on technology-related matters	Pending follow-up matters to be determined by the Board
COP Guidance: adaptation planning processes (decision B.12/07, para. (c))		
COP guidance: results-based payments for REDD-plus (decision B.12/07, para. (d))	Presentation of a document on results-based payments for REDD-plus	Pending follow-up matters to be determined by the Board

Issue	B.14 (October 2016)	B.15 (December 2016)
GOP guidance: alternative policy approaches (decision B.12/07, para. (e))		
Governance – Committees and panels		
Committees, panels and groups (annexes XVI-XIX to decision B.05/13 (annexes XVI-XIX to document GCF/B.05/23))	Co-Chairs to consult on the review of committees, panels and groups	Adopt TOR and initiate the review of committees, panels and groups to be concluded at B.16
Standing Appointment Committee (decision B.12/08)	Progress report, agenda item on the report of the Co-Chairs	Presentation of the outcome of the Co-Chairs' consultations
The GCF and the Paris Agreement (decision B.12/20, para. (i))	Update on the preparation of country programmes	Presentation on country and entity work programmes (decision B.13/10, para. (c))
COP guidance: PSF and forestry (decision B.12/07, para. (f))		
Relationship with relevant UNFCCC thematic bodies		
Decision-making in the absence of consensus (decision B.12/11)	Progress report agenda item on the report of the Co-Chairs	Outcome of the Co-Chairs' consultations
Decision-making between meetings (decision B.12/12)	Progress report, agenda item on the report of the Co-Chairs	Outcome of the Co-Chairs' consultations
Recommendations of the Budget Committee	Report of the Budget Committee	Recommendations on the administrative budgets for 2017 and 2018, including work plans
Interim Trustee review and other trustee matters (decision B.08/22, para. (b)(i-iv))	Presentation of the review of the Interim Trustee	Adoption of the open competitive bidding process for the selection of the Permanent Trustee
Participation of observers (decision B.05/23, para. (b))		Presentation on the review of observer participation
Code of conduct - Accreditation Panel (decision B.07/02, para. (g) and TOR of the Accreditation Panel (decision B.07/02, annex V, para. 14 (document GCF/B.07/11, annex V, para. 14))		Presentation on the Code of conduct for the Accreditation Panel

Issue	B.14 (October 2016)	B.15 (December 2016)
Review of Board processes/policies		
Risk management/Risk Management Committee		
Investment framework		Terms of reference for the annual review of financial terms and conditions (decision B.12/15) (Investment Committee).
Policy on fees (decision B.11/10, para. (f))		Co-Chairs' consultations on decision B.12./17
Environmental and social management system (decision B.07/02)(E&S policy)		Revised policy on fees for accredited entities (Accreditation Committee)
Gender policy and Gender action plan		Presentation on the environmental and social management system
Travel policy (decision B.01-13/02, para. (e) and decision B.12/13)	Presentation of the Co-Chairs' proposals on the Travel policy	
Board-appointed officials		
Executive Director of the independent Secretariat (decision B.12/22)	Appointment of the Executive Director, including a performance framework	
Heads of the Accountability Units (decision B.10/05, para. (j))	Performance-based contracts of the Heads of the Accountability Units	
Approvals		
Initial approvals process review (decision B.11/11, paras. (j) and (k) and decision B.12/23)	Progress report, as part of the Secretariat report	Presentation of the findings of the review process and adoption of the recommendations
Programmatic approach	Co-Chairs' consultations	
Simplified approvals for certain activities, including small-scale activities (decision B.12/10)	Presentation of the operational guidelines on the process of the simplified proposal approval process for certain activities, including small-scale activities (decision B.13/20, para. (h))	
Funding proposals	Consideration of funding proposals	Consideration of funding proposals

Issue	B.14 (October 2016)	B.15 (December 2016)
Private sector micro-, small- and medium-sized enterprise (MSME) request for proposals (RFP)	Report on the status update as part of the activities of the Secretariat report (decision B.13/22, para(g))	Approval of proposals
Mobilizing funding at scale, RFP		RFP for consideration by the Board
Modalities that enhance direct access pilot (decision B.10/04, paras. (d) and (e))	Approval of proposals	Approval of proposals
Completion of the approvals process (decision B.07/03)		
Performance management frameworks (PMFs)	Co-Chairs' consultations	
Project Preparation Facility (PPF) (decision B.12/25)	Status report on the PPF requests received as part of the activities of the Secretariat report (decision B.13/21, para. (d)(ix))	Status report on the PPF requests received as part of activities of the Secretariat report (decision B.13/21, para. (d)(ix))
Accreditation		
Accreditation of entities	Consideration of proposals to accredit entities	Consideration of proposals to accredit entities
Outstanding elements related to the GCF fiduciary standards		
Legal and formal arrangements with accredited entities	Status of the AMAs	Status of the AMAs
Accreditation review of accreditation applicant 26	Recommendations of the Accreditation Panel in accordance with decision B.12/30, paragraph (f)	
Fast-tracking of entities	Pending adoption of the accreditation strategy	
Policy gaps	Policy document that addresses current policy gaps in the accreditation framework in particular types of entities to be accredited by the GCF (decision B.13/28, para. (b))	
Country ownership and readiness		
Country ownership guidelines (decision B.10/10, para. (d) and decision B.12/32, para. (i))	Presentation of the Country ownership guidelines (decision B.13/33, para. (a))	



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Readiness Programme (decision B.08/11, para. (h), decision B.11/04 paras. (e) and (h), and decision B.12/32)	Presentation of the progress report	
		Resource allocation for the readiness programme
	Status of NAPs requests	Status of NAPS requests
Resource mobilization		
Completion of the Initial Resource Mobilization	Progress report (part of the activities of the Secretariat report)	Progress report (part of the activities of the Secretariat report)
First formal replenishment process of the GCF	Co-Chairs' consultations	
Independent accountability units		
Independent Integrity Unit		Approval of the work programme and budget
Independent Evaluation Unit		Approval of the Work programme and budget
		Approve the Evaluation policy and three-year rolling evaluation work plans
Independent Redress Mechanism		Approval of the work programme and budget, including for the implementation of the interim procedures for the reconsideration of funding decisions
		Independent Redress Mechanism outcomes of consultations and proposed updates to the TOR (decision B.13/24, para. (e))
Administrative matters		
Administrative guidelines		Administrative guidelines on information and communication technology (ICT)
Administrative budget	Report on the execution of the administrative budget	Report on the execution of the administrative budget
		Approval of the administrative budget and work programme of the Secretariat 2017-2019
Secretariat staffing	Status of the staffing of the Secretariat	Status of the staffing of the Secretariat
Administrative tribunal		Presentation of options for operationalization of the administrative tribunal

Abbreviations: AMA = accreditation master agreement, B.13-16 = thirteenth to sixteenth meeting of the Board, COP = Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC, E&S = environmental and social, NAPs = National Adaptation Plans, PSF = Private Sector Facility,

Annex II: Draft decision of the Board

The Board,

- (a) Decides to defer the consideration of the mobilization of private sector finance to progress the GCF forestry-related results areas to its sixteenth meeting and to include this item in the work plan for 2017 for consideration by the Board accordingly;
 - (b) Also decides to defer the alternative policy approaches for consideration at its seventeenth meeting;
 - (c) Further decides to defer the presentation and consideration of the risk and investment guidelines to its sixteenth meeting;
 - (d) Decides to defer the consideration of the pilot programme on mobilizing resources at scale to its fifteenth meeting;
 - (e) Notes that the Head of the Integrity Unit is to develop the full set of policies relating to prohibited practices, anti-money laundering and countering the financing of terrorism and present these to the Board for its consideration as early as feasible in 2017 as a matter of urgency;
 - (f) Further requests the Accreditation Committee in consultation with the Head of the Independent Integrity Unit consider the best way to integrate such policies in the interim fiduciary standards, and present to the Board a proposal for its consideration as early as feasible in 2017 as a matter of urgency;
 - (g) Decides to defer the review of the Gender policy and action plan to its sixteenth meeting;
 - (h) Decides to conduct the review of the Independent Technical Advisory Panel as part of the review of the initial proposal approvals process at B.15, in consultation with the Investment Committee
 - (i) Also decides to defer the consideration of the policies and procedures for contributions from philanthropic foundations and other non-public and alternative sources to the Initial Resource Mobilization process to its seventeenth meeting; and
 - (j) Also decides to defer the consideration of the approval of the administrative budget and work programme of the Secretariat for 2017-2019 to its fifteenth meeting.
 - (k) Also decides to defer the consideration of the open competitive process for the selection of the permanent Trustee to its fifteenth meeting.
 - (l) Decides to continue its consideration of the operational guidelines for the simplified approval process in conjunction with the review of the initial approval process
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