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Meeting of the Board
4 – 7 October 2021
Virtual meeting
Agenda item 2

GCF/B.30/Inf.17

5 October 2021

Annotations to the agenda

Summary

This document presents the annotations to the agenda of the thirtieth meeting of the Board, as presented in document GCF/B.30/01.

Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting

1. The thirtieth meeting of the Board (B.30) will be opened by the Co-Chairs on Monday, 4 October 2021 at 9 p.m KST.

Agenda item 2: Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

2. **Background:** The provisional agenda for B.30, as determined and confirmed by the Co-Chairs, was circulated to the Board and posted on the GCF website as document GCF/B.30/01/Drf.03 on 4 October 2021.
3. **Action:** In accordance with paragraph 20 of the Rules of Procedure of the Board, the Board is invited to adopt the provisional agenda as contained in document GCF/B.30/01/Drf.03 titled "Provisional agenda".

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Provisional agenda

Agenda item 3: Adoption of the report of the twenty-ninth meeting of the Board

4. **Background:** On 24 August 2021, document GCF/B.29/15/Drf.01 titled "Report of the twenty-ninth meeting of the Board, 28 June – 1 July 2021", was transmitted to the Board for a two-week review period.
5. One comment was received during the review period. On 10 September 2021, document GCF/B.29/15 was sent to the Board with a view to it being adopted at B.30.
6. **Action:** The Board is invited to adopt the report of its twenty-ninth meeting (B.29) as contained in document GCF/B.29/15.

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Report of the twenty-ninth meeting of the Board, 28 June – 1 July 2021

Agenda item 4: Decisions proposed between the twenty-ninth and thirtieth meetings of the Board

7. **Background:** Document GCF/B.30/Inf.13/Rev.01 titled "Board decisions proposed between the twenty-ninth and thirtieth meetings of the Board" informs on the decisions proposed between B.29 and B.30 as at the date of transmission.
8. **Action:** The Board is invited to take note of the information provided in document GCF/B.30/Inf.13/Rev.01 and to consider further action on decisions objected to.

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Board decisions proposed between the twenty-ninth and thirtieth meetings of the Board

Agenda item 5: Report on the activities of the Secretariat

9. **Background:** Document GCF/B.30/Inf.11 titled “Report on the activities of the Secretariat” provides an update on the activities of the Secretariat for the period 1 May to 31 July 2021. It summarizes progress against the overarching goals and priorities identified in the Secretariat’s 2021 work programme, as well as tracking key performance indicators identified in the work programme results framework.

10. The report includes: a summary of requests from the Board during the reporting period and Secretariat responses (annex I), a progress update on Secretariat and iTAP collaboration on developing a transparent and consistent approach to the assessment of funding proposals (annex II), and the list of GCF cooperation agreements that are currently in effect (annex III).

11. **Action:** The Board is invited to take note of the information provided in documents GCF/B.30/Inf.11 and its addenda.

<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.11</i>	<i>Report on the activities of the Secretariat</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.11/Add.01 (limited distribution)</i>	<i>Status of accreditation master agreements and funded activity agreements</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.11/Add.02</i>	<i>Consistency of funding proposal conditions with the GCF policies</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.11/Add.03</i>	<i>Review of Guidelines for Enhanced Country Ownership and Country Drivenness</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.11/Add.04</i>	<i>Annual Update on Complementarity and Coherence</i>

Agenda item 6: Reports from Board committees, panels and groups

12. **Background:** Document GCF/B.30/Inf.08 titled “Reports from committees, panels and group of the Board of the Green Climate Fund” and its addendum contain the reports on the activities of the following committees and panels of the Board, covering the reporting period from 1 May to 31 August 2021:

- (a) Accreditation Committee;
- (b) Accreditation Panel;
- (c) Budget Committee;
- (d) Investment Committee;
- (e) Ethics and Audit Committee;
- (f) Performance Oversight Committee; and
- (g) Risk Management Committee.

13. **Action:** The Board is invited to take note of the information provided in documents GCF/B.30/Inf.08 and its addenda.

<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.08</i>	<i>Reports from committees, panels and group of the Board of the Green Climate Fund</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.08/Add.01</i>	<i>Reports from committees, panels and groups of the Board of the Green Climate Fund – Addendum I</i>

<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.08/Add.02</i>	<i>Reports from committees, panels and groups of the Board of the Green Climate Fund – Addendum II</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.08/Add.03</i>	<i>Reports from committees, panels and groups of the Board of the Green Climate Fund – Addendum III</i>

Agenda item 7: Reports on the activities of the independent units

14. **Background:** Reports from the independent units are presented to the Board for information in the following documents:

- (a) Document GCF/B.30/Inf.01 titled “Report on the activities of the Information Appeals Panel”;
- (b) Document GCF/B.30/Inf.03 titled “Report on the activities of the Independent Redress Mechanism”;
- (c) Document GCF/B.30/Inf.04 titled “Report on the activities of the Independent Evaluation Unit”; and
- (d) Document GCF/B.30/Inf.14 titled “Report on the activities of the Independent Integrity Unit”.
- (e) Document GCF/B.30/Inf.15 titled “2020 Annual Implementation Report on the Policy on Prohibited Practices”.
- (f) Document GCF/B.30/Inf.15/Add.01 titled “2020 Annual Implementation Report on the Policy on Prohibited Practices: Secretariat management response”.
- (g) Document GCF/B.30/Inf.16 titled “2020 Annual Implementation Report on the Policy on the Protection of Whistleblowers and Witnesses”.
- (h) Document GCF/B.30/Inf.16/Add.01 titled “2020 Annual Implementation Report on the Policy on the Protection of Whistleblowers and Witnesses: Secretariat management response”.

15. **Action:** The Board is invited to take note of the information provided in documents GCF/B.30/Inf.01, GCF/B.30/Inf.03, GCF/B.30/Inf.04, GCF/B.30/Inf.14, GCF/B.30/Inf.15 and GCF/B.30/Inf.16.

<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.01</i>	<i>Report on the activities of the Information Appeals Panel</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.03</i>	<i>Report on the activities of the Independent Redress Mechanism</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.04</i>	<i>Report on the activities of the Independent Evaluation Unit</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.14</i>	<i>Report on the activities of the Independent Integrity Unit</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.15</i>	<i>2020 Annual Implementation Report on the Policy on Prohibited Practices</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.15/Add.01</i>	<i>2020 Annual Implementation Report on the Policy on Prohibited Practices: Secretariat management response</i>

<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.16</i>	<i>2020 Annual Implementation Report on the Policy on the Protection of Whistleblowers and Witnesses</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.16/Add.01</i>	<i>2020 Annual Implementation Report on the Policy on the Protection of Whistleblowers and Witnesses: Secretariat management response</i>

Agenda item 8: Report on the activities of the Co-Chairs

16. **Background:** This document contains the report on the activities of the Co-Chairs from mid-June 2021 to late-September 2021.

17. **Action:** The Board is invited to take note of the information provided in document GCF/B.30/Inf.05.

<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.05 (pending publication)</i>	<i>Report on the activities of the Co-Chairs</i>
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Agenda item 9: Matters related to the simplified approval process

18. **Background:** Document GCF/B.30/06 titled Update of the simplified approval process submits for the consideration of the Board a set of options to update the simplified approval process (SAP). The document, which was called for by decision B.18/06, takes into account comments from Board members received on the draft SAP, including comments received on a July 2021 consultation draft. It also takes into consideration the results of the Secretariat-commissioned review of the SAP, the assessment of the SAP by the Independent Evaluation Unit (IEU), and the SAP-related mandates included in the GCF's updated Strategic Plan.

19. This draft differs from the version considered at B.28 by: removing the proposal for delegating to the Executive Director the approval of certain SAP projects/programmes; further clarifying the process proposed for taking SAP decisions without a Board meeting; the inclusion of an option for expanding SAP access by increasing the level of GCF funding eligible for consideration in SAP proposals from USD 10 million to USD 20 million or 50 million; the inclusion of an annex analysing a wider range of potential impacts of proposed changes to the SAP; and the inclusion of options allowing an increase in the GCF funding threshold to USD 50 million only for proposals that: scale up projects previously proven successful; advance programmatic SAP proposals, have advanced roles for DAEs and/or that involve risk Category C proposals; and the inclusion of an option to make SAP concept notes optional rather than mandatory.

20. **Action:** The Board to consider GCF/B.30/06 and its addendum and to adopt the draft decision contained in annex I of document GCF/B.30/06.

<i>GCF/B.30/06</i>	<i>Update of the simplified approval process</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/06/Add.01</i>	<i>Response matrix for Board comments received on the draft document "Update of the simplified approval process"</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/06/Add.02</i>	<i>Summary of the bilateral consultations on the update of the simplified approval process</i>

GCF/B.30/07

Independent Assessment of the GCF Simplified Approval Process (SAP) Pilot Scheme

GCF/B.30/07/Add.01

Secretariat management response to the Independent Assessment of the Green Climate Fund's Simplified Approval Process (SAP) Pilot Scheme

Agenda item 10: Status of GCF resources, pipeline and portfolio performance

21. **Background:** The documents scheduled for consideration under this agenda item include the document GCF/B.30/Inf.02 titled “Status of the GCF pipeline, including the status of Project Preparation Facility requests” as well as:
22. Document GCF/B.30/Inf.02 titled “Status of the GCF pipeline, including the status of Project Preparation Facility requests” provides an update of the GCF pipeline of projects and programmes, including the status of Project Preparation Facility applications, for the reporting period of 1 May to 31 July 2021.
23. Document GCF/B.30/Inf.02/Add.01 titled “Status of GCF pipeline – Addendum I: List of funding proposals and project preparation facility requests” provides an update for the Board on the current funding proposals and project preparation facility requests in the pipeline.
24. Document GCF/B.30/Inf.02/Add.02 titled “Status of GCF pipeline – Addendum II: List of concept notes” provides an update for the Board on the list of concept notes as of 31 July 2021.
25. Document GCF/B.30/Inf.07 titled “Status of the Green Climate Fund resources” provides an update for the Board on the resources of GCF, including initial resource mobilization and first replenishment as of 30 June 2021.
26. Document GCF/B.30/Inf.09 titled “Annual portfolio performance report (2020)” provides an update for the report presents a review and analysis of the performance of the GCF portfolio of investments via funded activities, of the Readiness and Preparatory Support Programme, and the Project Preparation Facility under implementation as of 31 December 2020.
27. Document GCF/B.30/Inf.12 titled “Status of the GCF portfolio: approved projects and fulfilment of conditions” provides an update on the status and trends of the Readiness and Preparatory Support Programme (Readiness Programme), the Project Preparation Facility (PPF), and funded activities as well as the fulfilment of conditions, as of 31 July 2021.
28. Document GCF/B.30/09 titled “2022 work programme of the Secretariat and annual administrative budget of the GCF Secretariat, Board and Trustee” provides programming targets for 2022 in Table 1 (page 5), and disbursement targets in Table 2 (page 7), as well as business planning that reflects these objectives.
29. **Action:** The Board is invited to take note of documents GCF/B.30/Inf.02 and its addenda and to approve the 2022 programming and disbursement targets in GCF/B.30/09.

GCF/B.30/Inf.02

Status of the GCF pipeline, including the status of Project Preparation Facility requests

*GCF/B.30/Inf.02/Add.01
(limited distribution)*

Status of GCF pipeline – Addendum I: List of funding proposals and project preparation facility requests

<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.02/Add.02 (limited distribution)</i>	<i>Status of GCF pipeline – Addendum II: List of concept notes</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.07</i>	<i>Status of the Green Climate Fund resources</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.09</i>	<i>Annual portfolio performance report (2020)</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.12</i>	<i>Status of the GCF portfolio: approved projects and fulfilment of conditions</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/09</i>	<i>2022 work programme of the Secretariat and annual administrative budget of the GCF Secretariat, Board and Trustee</i>

Agenda item 11: Consideration of funding proposals

30. **Background:** Document GCF/B.30/02/Rev.01 titled “Consideration of funding proposals” presents the funding proposals presented to the Board for consideration at B.30.

31. **Action:** The Board is invited to take note of the information provided in the documents and to adopt the draft decision contained in annex I to document GCF/B.30/02/Rev.01.

<i>GCF/B.30/02/Rev.01</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.01</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum I: Funding proposal package for FP169</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.02</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum II: Funding proposal package for FP170</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.03</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum III: Funding proposal package for FP171</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.04</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum IV: Funding proposal package for FP172</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.05</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum V: Funding proposal package for FP173</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.06</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum VI: Funding proposal package for FP174*</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.07</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum VII: Funding proposal package for FP175</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.08</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum VIII: Funding proposal package for FP176</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.09</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum IX: Funding proposal package for FP177</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.10</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum X: Funding proposal package for FP178</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.11</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum XI: Funding proposal package for FP179</i>

<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.12/Rev.01</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum XII: Funding proposal package for FP180</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/02/Add.13</i>	<i>Consideration of funding proposals – Addendum XIII: Funding proposal package for FP181</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/05 (limited distribution)</i>	<i>Status of approved funding proposals: extension of deadline in respect of SAP018 (Enhancing Climate Information Systems for Resilient Development in Liberia (Liberia CIS))</i>

Agenda item 12: Consideration of accreditation proposals

32. **Background:** Document GCF/B.30/03 titled “Consideration of accreditation proposals” presents an overview of accreditation progress up to 31 July 2021; an overview of the pipeline of applicant entities with information on support to direct access entities; and an overview of the portfolio of accredited entities, including the status of accredited entities addressing accreditation conditions. The document also presents accreditation proposals for consideration by the Board.

33. **Action:** The Board is invited to adopt the draft decision in annex I to document GCF/B.30/03.

<i>GCF/B.30/03</i>	<i>Consideration of accreditation proposals</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/03/Add.01</i>	<i>Status of the fulfilment of accreditation conditions</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/03/Add.02</i>	<i>Report on mid-term accreditation reviews</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/03/Add.03 (limited distribution)</i>	<i>Consideration of accreditation proposals – Addendum III</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/03/Add.04 (limited distribution)</i>	<i>Consideration of accreditation proposals – Addendum IV</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/03/Add.05 (limited distribution)</i>	<i>Consideration of accreditation proposals – Addendum V: Board questions on recommended entities</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/03/Add.06 (limited distribution)</i>	<i>Consideration of accreditation proposals – Addendum VI: Board questions and AP answers on recommended entities</i>

Agenda item 13: Review of the capabilities of the GCF to deliver increased programming and implementation over 2020-2023 in line with the updated Strategic Plan

34. **Background:** This agenda item considers document GCF/B.30/08 titled Review of Secretariat capabilities to deliver the updated Strategic Plan for 2020 – 2023. It presents a review of the Secretariat’s capabilities to deliver increased programming and implementation over 2020-23 in line with ambitions of the GCF updated Strategic Plan (USP), endorsed by the

Board at its twenty-seventh meeting. In reviewing the Secretariat’s capabilities, the paper also addresses two other mandates established in the USP to: (i) identify operational bottlenecks and examine the most effective ways to address these to speed up access, and (ii) undertake a cost-benefit assessment of needs and options for establishing a GCF regional presence.

35. **Action:** The Board is invited to take note of the information provided in document GCF/B.30/08 and to consider the decision in annex I of the document.

GCF/B.30/08

Review of Secretariat capabilities to deliver the updated Strategic Plan for 2020 – 2023

Agenda item 14: Secretariat matters

36. **Background:** Document GCF/B.30/09 titled “2022 work programme of the Secretariat and annual administrative budget of the GCF Secretariat, Board and Trustee” presents the 2022 work programme of the Secretariat and the proposed 2022 administrative budget of the Secretariat, the Board and the Trustee. The draft decision for Board consideration, the proposed work programme and budget, a framework for an output-based budget, a consolidated overview of the budget of the GCF that includes the budgets of the independent units, and a provisional results framework designed to support an assessment of the Secretariat’s progress on key work programme targets are also included.

37. Document GCF/B.30/Inf.06 titled “Report on the execution of the 2021 administrative budget of GCF” reports on the execution of the GCF 2021 administrative budget for the period from 1 January to 31 July 2021. Administrative expenditure relates to costs for Board activities, the independent units, the Secretariat and the Trustee.

38. **Action:** The Board is invited to consider the decision in annex I of document GCF/B.30/09.

GCF/B.30/09

2022 work programme of the Secretariat and annual administrative budget of the GCF Secretariat, Board and Trustee

GCF/B.30/Inf.06

Report on the execution of the 2021 administrative budget of GCF

Agenda item 15: Work programmes and budgets of the independent units for 2022

39. **Background:** Document GCF/B.30/10 presents the 2022 work plan and budget of the Independent Redress Mechanism (IRM) of the GCF. The IRM is one of the three accountability mechanisms of the GCF and is mandated by its Governing Instrument. This work plan seeks to give effect to the Board decisions concerning the IRM.

40. Document GCF/B.30/11 considers the work programme and budget for the Independent Integrity Unit for Budget Year 2022. Building on the achievements of previous years, this report sets out new targets for 2022.

41. Document GCF/B.30/12 summarizes the key elements of the work plan and budget of the Independent Evaluation Unit (IEU) for 2022. It contains: (i) an overview of the IEU’s deliverables during 2021; (ii) key elements of the IEU’s annual 2022 work plan and budget; and (iii) an update of the IEU’s rolling three-year work plan.

42. **Action:** The Board is invited to consider the decision in annex I of document GCF/B.30/11.

<i>GCF/B.30/10</i>	<i>Independent Redress Mechanism Work Plan and Budget for 2022</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/11</i>	<i>Work Programme and Budget of the Independent Integrity Unit for 2022</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/12</i>	<i>Independent Evaluation Unit 2022 Work Plan and Budget and Update of its Three-year Objectives and Work Plan</i>

Agenda item 16: Performance evaluation and performance related pay for Board-appointed officials

43. **Background:** This confidential document and relevant discussions will be held in a closed executive session.

44. **Action:** The Board is invited to adopt the draft decision in annex I to document GCF/B.30/15.

<i>GCF/B.30/15 (confidential)</i>	<i>Performance evaluation and performance-related pay for Board-appointed officials</i>
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Agenda item 17: Matters related to the evaluations

45. The Board is invited to consider this item.

Agenda item 18: Matters related to climate rationale

46. **Background:** This document responds to the Board's request to the Secretariat to address various policy matters related to the investment framework, including steps to enhance the climate rationale of GCF-supported activities (see decision B.19/06).

47. **Action:** The Board is invited to adopt the draft decision in annex I to document GCF/B.30/04.

<i>GCF/B.30/04</i>	<i>Steps to enhance the climate rationale of GCF-supported activities</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/04/Add.01</i>	<i>Steps to enhance the climate rationale of GCF-supported activities, response matrix added</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/13</i>	<i>Independent evaluation of the adaptation portfolio and approach of the Green Climate Fund</i>

<i>GCF/B.30/13/Add.01</i>	<i>Management response to the Independent Evaluation of the Adaptation Portfolio and Approach of the Green Climate Fund</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/14</i>	<i>Independent Evaluation of the Relevance and Effectiveness of the Green Climate Fund's investments in Small Island Developing Islands</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/14/Add.01</i>	<i>Management response to the Independent Evaluation of the Relevance and Effectiveness of GCF Investments in Small Island Developing States</i>

Agenda item 19: Status of selection of Board members for the Fourth term

48. **Background:** This document reports on the status of the selection of Board members for the fourth term of Board membership to the GCF, in accordance with paragraphs 9, 10, 11 and 12 of the Governing Instrument for the GCF on the composition of the Board, the selection of Board members and the initial term of membership, as well as paragraphs 3, 4 and 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Board.

49. **Action:** The Board is invited to take note of documents GCF/B.30/Inf.10.

<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.10</i>	<i>Status of selection of Board members for the fourth term of Board membership</i>
<i>GCF/B.30/Inf.10/Add.01/Rev.01</i>	<i>Status of selection of Board members for the fourth term of Board membership</i>

Agenda item 20: Dates and venues of upcoming meetings of the Board

50. **Background:** The document titled “Dates and venues of upcoming meetings of the Board” will be prepared to assist the Board in confirming the dates and modality for B.31, and deciding the dates for meetings of the Board in 2022.

51. **Action:** The Board is invited to adopt the draft decision in annex I of the document.

<i>TBD</i>	<i>Dates and venues of upcoming meetings of the Board</i>
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Agenda item 21: Other matters

52. Any other matters that the Board may wish to consider as indicated at the adoption of the agenda for B.30 will be taken up under this agenda item.

Agenda item 22: Report of the meeting

53. A draft compilation of decisions adopted at B.30 will be transmitted to the Board on conclusion of the meeting.

Agenda item 23: Close of the meeting

54. B.30 is expected to close on Thursday, 7 October 2021.
