

Provisional Agenda

Green Climate Fund Regional Workshop for Eastern Europe and Central Asia



31 May - 2 June 2017 | Tbilisi, Georgia

Primary target audience

- National Designated Authorities (NDAs) and focal points in Eastern Europe and Central Asia
- Ministries of finance, planning and environment
- Relevant accredited entities and Readiness Delivery Partners
- Other national/regional stakeholders including private sector, CSOs, etc.

Objectives

The Regional Workshop in Eastern Europe and Central Asia aims to accelerate Eastern European and Central Asian countries' engagement with the GCF.

The Workshop will achieve this by providing stakeholders an opportunity to:

- (1) Increase their understanding of the GCF and related developments such as support for NDCs and national adaptation planning processes;
- (2) Exchange experiences among different stakeholders about climate change investments and priorities at the national level, and expectations with regards to the role of the GCF in financing adaptation and mitigation measures in Eastern Europe and Central Asia;
- (3) Develop a roadmap and action plan to articulate national priorities and opportunities to access available resources with the GCF.

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Day 1 – Wednesday, 31 May 2017 – The Biltmore Hotel Tbilisi

08:30-9:00	Registration
9:00-9:30	Welcoming remarks
9:30-10:00	The Green Climate Fund – Getting to know its structure and operations This session will provide relevant details about the GCF, its operational modalities and the opportunities that it brings to developing countries.
10:00-10:30	Coffee / Tea Break and Official Photo
10:30-11:00	Introductions and expectations – outline of the workshop
11:00-12:00	National Designated Authorities – Role and responsibilities This session will clarify the roles and responsibilities of the National Designated Authorities / Focal Points
12:00-13:00	Accreditation process – A strategic vision of the work with Accredited Entities This session will provide clarity about the GCF accreditation process and standards, and guidance on articulation with Accredited Entities for the preparation of funding proposals.
13:00-14:00	Lunch
14:00-15:00	Readiness and Preparatory Support Programme – Strengthening capacities to accelerate access to climate finance This session will provide details on the GCF Readiness and Preparatory Support Program.
15:00-15:20	Coffee / Tea Break
15:20-17:00	Challenges for engaging with the Green Climate Fund Participants will breakout in groups to discuss the main challenges faced by the various actors in the relationship with the GCF and their expectations to accelerate access to resources.
18:00-20:00	Reception

Day 2 – Thursday, 1 June 2017 – The Biltmore Hotel Tbilisi

09:00–9:50	Adaptation Actions and National Adaptation Plans (NAPs) This session will provide information on the available financing options from the GCF for the development of NAPs and adaptation planning processes.
9:50–10:40	Developing proposals for programs and projects - the Process of Approval of proposals This session will provide a space to discuss in detail the experiences and best practices in the development of program and project proposals.
10:40–11:00	Coffee / Tea Break
11:00–12:00	Roles of private sector and other stakeholders in the relationship with the Fund This session will explore how different stakeholders – including the private sector, civil society and development partners – can contribute to the engagement with the GCF to ensure a low emissions and climate resilient development pathway.
12:00–13:00	Group discussion: How to work with the private sector in mitigation and adaptation actions? Participants will breakout in groups to discuss and share experiences on the opportunities to attract the private sector to tackle climate change in the region.
13:00–14:00	Lunch
14:00–15:00	Programming and pipeline development This session will cover the role of country programmes and entity programmes as strategic drivers for articulating a pipeline of projects/programmes.
15:00–15:20	Coffee / Tea Break
15:20 – 16:20	Group discussion and feedback on country programming Participants will breakout in groups to discuss their country programming, challenges and expectations.
16:20–17:30	Wrap-up session Key takeaway messages from workshop.
18:00 – 20:00	Dinner

Day 3 – Friday, 02 June 2017 – The Biltmore Hotel Tbilisi

09:00–18:00

Bilateral meetings with the GCF

NDA's or focal points will be invited to meet bilaterally with the GCF staff.

Note: A signup list to book meetings will be available at the registration table from day 1 and finalized at the end of day 3.

NDA's or focal points may also seek to arrange bilateral meetings (with Accredited Entities able to work in the region and other partners present at the workshop) to progress their priorities.
