



# GCF Regional Dialogue with Africa

6 - 10 November 2023  
WINDHOEK, NAMIBIA

# DAY 1

6 November 2023 – Monday



Time	Session Title
08:00 – 09:00	Registration & Networking
09:00 – 09:15	<p><b>Session 1.1</b>  <b>Opening Session</b>            High-level remarks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hon. Pohamba Shifeta, Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism, Republic of Namibia</li> <li>- Mr. Henry Gonzalez, Deputy Executive Director, Green Climate Fund (<i>pre-recorded message</i>)</li> </ul> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua</p>
9:15 – 10:15	<p><b>Session 1.2</b>  <b>Dialogue with Participants: Lessons and Reflections on Programming</b>            The GCF will present an overview of the state-of-play of GCF investments in the continent and facilitate a conversation with participants, inviting their perspectives on programming and implementation.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua            Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Folasade Ayonrinde, Portfolio Management Specialist, Division of Portfolio Management, GCF</li> <li>- Mr. Prashanth Kotturi, Evaluation Specialist, Independent Evaluation Unit, GCF; <i>virtual participation</i></li> </ul>
10:15 – 10:30	Group photo
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 – 11:15	<p><b>Session 1.3</b>  <b>High Level Perspectives on Climate Finance in Africa</b>            High-level perspectives of the ambitions and challenges ahead in Africa will be presented.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua            Keynote Speaker: African Union Commission</p>
11:15 – 12:15	<p><b>Session 1.4</b>  <b>GCF USP-2 Objectives</b>            The GCF will present its Updated Strategic Plan (USP-2), highlighting targeted results and how the GCF plans to enhance its support and to deliver catalytic impact.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua            Presenter: Ms. Chiheny Kangara, Regional Manager for Africa, Division of Country Programming, GCF            Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Mahitab Elramal, Environmental Researcher, Ministry of Environment of Egypt</li> <li>- Prof. Paul Tchawa, Secretary General, Ministry of Environment, Protection of Nature and Sustainable Development of Cameroon</li> <li>- Ms. Audrey-Cynthia Yamadjako, Principal Climate and Environment Finance Officer at the African Development Bank (AfDB) Climate Change and Green Growth Department</li> </ul>
12:15 – 13:00	Lunch & Networking
13:00 – 14:00	<p><b>Session 1.5</b>  <b>GCF's Private Sector Initiatives and Strategy</b>            The GCF will present its approach to private sector initiatives, deepening participants' understanding of strategic intricacies and dispelling common misconceptions. This will be followed by discussion with participants.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua            Presenter: Ms. Ayaka Fujiwara, Climate Investment Specialist, Private Sector Facility, GCF            Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Harold Mogale, Climate Finance Specialist, DBSA</li> <li>- Ms. Ayaka Fujiwara, Climate Investment Specialist, Private Sector Facility, GCF</li> <li>- Mr. Andrew Yu Han, Senior Investment Specialist, Private Sector Facility, GCF</li> </ul> <p>A discussion and Q&amp;A session with panel and participants will be facilitated following presentations.</p>
14:00 – 14:45	<p><b>Session 1.6</b>  <b>Energy transition in Africa</b>            This session will offer an overview of GCF's efforts in mitigation, specifically focusing on the energy transition. It will explore</p>

	<p>transformative pathways for four key result areas (energy generation, transportation, buildings, cities, industries and appliances) and delve into opportunities and challenges associated with Africa's clean energy transition. A discussion with participants will be facilitated.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Rashmi Kadian, Impact Lead – Wellbeing of People, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF</li> <li>- Ms. Julia Kennedy, Climate Finance Lead, Power Africa</li> <li>- Mr. Jon Excel, Energy Specialist, World Bank</li> </ul>
14:45 – 15:30	<p><b>Session 1.7</b> <b>Programming ambitions: Water in focus</b></p> <p>This session will provide an overview of challenges, opportunities and investment options for the water sector in Africa. It will present sectoral ambitions for GCF-2 along with methodologies and guidelines relevant for stakeholders programming related investments. A discussion with participants will be facilitated.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Alex Simbabwe, Executive Secretary, Global Water Partnership Southern Africa</li> <li>- Ms. Rashmi Kadian, Impact Lead – Wellbeing of People, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF</li> </ul>
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break
16:00 – 16:45	<p><b>Session 1.8</b> <b>Programming ambitions: Food Systems in focus</b></p> <p>Agriculture and food security ambitions and emerging areas for GCF-2 will be discussed along with investment directions for climate resilient and low emission food systems in Africa, and methodologies and guidelines for effective programming. A discussion with participants will be facilitated.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua Presenter: Mr. Gabriel Boc, Senior Agriculture and Food Security Specialist, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF</p>
16:45 – 17:30	<p><b>Session 1.9</b> <b>Early Warning for All Initiative in Africa</b></p> <p>This session will discuss the implementation of EW4All initiative Action Plan in Africa and programming alignments with the GCF USP-2. It will include a presentation on the EW4All initiative Action Plan and a discussion session with EW4All partners and DAEs to inform the development of a roadmap for the implementation of the EW4All initiative Action Plan in Africa.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua Presenter: Mr. Joseph Intsiful, Senior Climate Information and Early Warning Systems Specialist, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Eric Amoussou, Principal Environmental Specialist, Western African Development Bank (BOAD)</li> <li>- Mr. Kevin Horsburgh, Climate Science Lead, Office of the Executive Director, GCF</li> <li>- Mr. Gilbert Kayitare, Programme Policy and Project Coordination Officer, African Risk Capacity</li> <li>- Mr. Antonio Palazuelos Prieto, Coordination Specialist, UNECA</li> </ul>
17:30 – 17:45	<p><b>Session 1.10</b> <b>Closing Remarks of the Day</b></p>
19:00 – 21:00	Reception dinner hosted by the Government of Namibia

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09:00 – 09:15	<p><b>Session 2.1</b> <b>Key Takeaways from Day 1   Introduction to Day 2</b></p> <p>Facilitator for Day 2: Ms. Sophie Mbugua</p>
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10:45 – 11:00	<p>Coffee</p>
11:00 – 11:30	<p><b>Session 2.4</b> <b>Understanding GCF Investment Criteria: Demonstrating Climate Impact</b></p> <p>This session will present guidance for demonstrating climate impact potential and will explain the implications of GCF Board Decision B.33/12 (steps to enhance climate rationale). It will describe capacity building activities, open-source information platforms and other materials being developed to assist Accredited Entities enhance the demonstration of climate impact potential.</p> <p>Discussion with the participants will follow.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua Presenter: Mr. Kevin Horsburgh, Climate Science Lead, Office of the Executive Director, GCF</p>
11:30 – 12:30	<p><b>Session 2.5</b> <b>Interactive workshop on the Green Energy Sector</b></p> <p>Participants will be organized into working groups to discuss and present their objectives related to the five following themes: i) energy access for the hardest-to-reach, ii) scaling renewable energy markets, iii) path to 50% RE by 2030 and net-zero by 2050, iv) energy efficiency, and v) hard-to-abate sectors.</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Sebastien M. Raoux, Project Development Consultant, Division of Country Programming, GCF</p>
12:30 – 13:30	<p>Lunch &amp; Networking</p>
13:30 – 14:30	<p><b>Session 2.6</b> <b>Private Sector Investment Instruments and Implementation</b></p> <p>This session will guide participants through concepts associated with private sector instruments, educating and raising awareness to structures that the GCF can support.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua Presenter: Ms. Ayaka Fujiwara, Climate Investment Specialist, Private Sector Facility, GCF Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Mohamed Gona Abdallah, Assistant Director, Ministry of Housing, Urban Development and Environment of</li> </ul>

	<p>Djibouti</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Folasade Ayonrinde, Portfolio Management Specialist, Division of Portfolio Management, GCF</li> <li>- Mr. Andrew Yu Han, Senior Investment Specialist, Private Sector Facility, GCF</li> <li>- Ms. Ayaka Fujiwara, Climate Investment Specialist, Private Sector Facility, GCF</li> </ul>	
14:30 – 15:30	<p><b>Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)</b></p>	<p><b>Session 2.7</b> <b>Translating USP-2 into national country programmes</b></p> <p>The role that country programmes play for the success of USP-2 will be discussed, building on lessons learned to recommend programming approaches.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua Presenter: Ms. Zindela Nonhlanhla, Deputy Director and Head of Programming, Division of Country Programming, GCF Multisectoral, Government-wide coordination mechanisms: Lessons from Cameroon.</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Prof. Paul Tchawa, Secretary General, Ministry of Environment, Protection of Nature and Sustainable Development of Cameroon</li> <li>- Mr. Gilbert Didier Edoa, Secretary General of Ministry of Finance of Cameroon</li> </ul>
15:30 – 16:30		<p><b>Session 2.8</b> <b>Revised Readiness Strategy (2024-2027)</b></p> <p>The GCF presents the revised strategic vision of its Readiness Programme.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua Presenter: Ms. Eldana Djumalieva, Coordinator for Support Programmes, Division of Country Programming, GCF Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Nebyida Lamech Kabore, NDA, Prime Ministry, Burkina Faso</li> <li>- Ms. Khaoula Jaoui, Director – Climate Department, Sahara and Sahel Observatory (OSS)</li> </ul>
16:30 – 16:45	<p>Coffee Break</p>	
16:45 – 17:45	<p><b>Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)</b></p>	<p><b>Session 2.9</b> <b>Peer to peer learning: Fireside Chat on Access to GCF Resources</b></p> <p>The session will promote peer-to-peer learning on specific topics through sharing of lessons learnt, success stories and particular cases that can inspire peer groups.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Sophie Mbugua Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Christian F. Manzi, Program Manager, Ministry of Environment, Rwanda</li> <li>- Ms. Audrey-Cynthia Yamadjako, Principal Climate and Environment Finance Officer, African Development Bank (AfDB)</li> <li>- Ms. Ieva Indriunaite, Policy and Partnerships Manager, Camco</li> </ul>
17:45 – 18:00		<p><b>Session 2.10</b> <b>Closing Remarks of the Day</b></p>

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09:00 – 09:15	<b>Session 3.1</b> <b>Key Takeaways from Day 2   Introduction to Day 3</b>  Facilitator for Day 3: Mr. Mamadou Honadia	
09:15 – 10:30	<b>Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)</b>	<b>Session 3.2</b> <b>Opportunities and Challenges in the Water Sector</b> The session will unpack challenges faced across the water sector and the opportunities and challenges associated with GCF's related support. After a GCF keynote presentation, the session will then be followed by an interactive workshop guided by the facilitator.  Facilitator: Mr. Mamadou Honadia Presenter: Ms. Rashmi Kadian, Impact Lead – Wellbeing of People, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:00	<b>Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)</b>	<b>Session 3.3</b> <b>Peer-to-Peer Learning: Interactive Session on Food Systems Transition</b> Interactive session discussing food systems transition in Africa. Speakers and participants will be invited to share lessons learned from working with the GCF and identify solutions to accelerate co-development of high impact investments in agriculture and food security.  Facilitator: Mr. Mamadou Honadia Moderator: Mr. Gabriel Boc, Senior Agriculture and Food Security Specialist, DMA Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Audrey-Cynthia Yamadjako, GCF Focal point – Principal Climate and Environment Finance Officer, African Development Bank</li> <li>- Mr. Hajar Chmanti Houari, Project Manager, Agency for Agricultural Development – Morocco</li> <li>- Mr. Assan Ng'ombe, Resilience Officer, AGRA</li> <li>- Mr. Michel Masozera, Director of Policy and Partnerships for Africa, Wildlife Conservation Society</li> </ul>
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch & Networking	
13:00 – 13:45	<b>Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)</b>  *DPM readiness team will be available for one-on-one support related to the implementation of readiness grants and adaptive management processes (Room 4)	<b>Session 3.4.1</b> <b>Clinic – Project Preparation Facility (PPF)</b> This interactive session will familiarize participants with the Project Preparation Facility (PPF) and how to access the PPF resources for funding proposal preparation. The session will highlight best practices in preparing PPF applications, eligible vs. ineligible activities, developing PPF budgets and implementation arrangements, and finally address Frequently Asked Questions.  Facilitator: Mr. Mamadou Honadia Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Nazeem Wasti, Project Preparation Facility Specialist, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF</li> <li>- Mr. AJ Untalan, PPF Associate Professional, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF</li> <li>- Mr. Helal Uddin, Finance Specialist – Readiness and PPF, Office of Financial Analysis and Innovation, GCF</li> </ul>
		<b>Session 3.4.3</b> <b>Accelerating investments in Regenerative Agriculture in Africa</b> <i>(By invitation only)</i>  This session will discuss the opportunities to scale climate finance in support of food systems transformation. In particular, the focus will be on financing the transition to regenerative agricultural landscapes to enhance the resilience of African economies. Participants will be introduced to the Regenerative Agricultural Landscape Acceleration Facility, a pan-African, smallholder-centric initiative designed to channel private capital, concessional finance, and philanthropic support towards climate adaptation and food security.  Moderator: Mr. Gabriel Boc, Senior Agriculture and Food Security Specialist, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF
13:45 – 14:30	<b>Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)</b>	<b>Session 3.4.2</b> <b>Integrity in Climate Action: The Role of the Independent Integrity Unit (IIU)</b>  This session will highlight the importance of strong integrity and anti-corruption measures for
		Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Steven Lang, Managing Director, Pollination Group</li> <li>- Mr. Caspar Bossom, Associate Director, Climate Asset Management</li> </ul>

		<p>successful climate action, diving into the function of the GCF Independent Integrity Unit in investigating alleged wrongdoings, strengthening integrity policies, and promoting integrity best practices through capacity-building programming. The GCF Integrity Policy Framework and some of the key obligations of AEs and provisions within these policies will be introduced as well.</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Mamadou Honadia Presenter: Ms. Bayartsetseg Jigmiddash, Outreach &amp; Engagement Manager, Independent Integrity Unit, GCF</p>	
14:30 – 16:00	Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)	<p><b>Session 3.5.1</b> <b>Fireside chat: GCF’s regional presence</b></p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Mamadou Honadia Presenter: Ms. Nonhlanhla Zindela, Deputy-Director, Division of Country Programming, GCF</p>	<p><b>Session 3.5.2</b> <b>Writershop: Food systems – Turning ideas into investments</b></p> <p>Discussion space between participants and GCF Secretariat specialists on specific investment ideas and concept notes. <i>(Participants were invited to sign up in advance)</i></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Gabriel Boc, Senior Agriculture and Food Security Specialist, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF</li> <li>- Ms. Ayaka Fujiwara, Climate Investment Specialist, Private Sector Facility, GCF</li> <li>- Mr. Olade Balo Akakpo, Regional Officer, Division of Country Programming, GCF</li> </ul>
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee Break		
16:30 – 17:30	Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)	<p><b>Session 3.6</b> <b>Indigenous Peoples’ Knowledge</b></p> <p>This plenary session will provide an opportunity to discuss the application of the GCF Indigenous Peoples policy in Africa and to share good practices and experiences from the readiness and funded activities portfolio.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Veronica Gonzalez Gonzalez, Indigenous Peoples Expert, Office of Sustainability and Inclusion, GCF Presenter: Ms. Jennifer Rubis, Indigenous Peoples and Social Safeguards Specialist, Office of Sustainability and Inclusion, GCF (<i>virtual participation</i>)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Balkissou Buba, GCF Indigenous Peoples Advisory Group</li> <li>- Ms. Nefuno Kabwe Chanda, Ministry of Green Economy and Environment of Zambia</li> <li>- Mr. Collins Cheruiyot, Chief of Party, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)</li> </ul>	
17:30 - 17:45	<p><b>Session 3.7</b> <b>Closing remarks of the Day</b></p>		

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09:15 – 10:00	<p><b>Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)</b></p>	<p><b>Session 4.2</b> <b>Climate Information and Early Warning Systems (CIEWS)</b></p> <p>Discussion of the strategic programming Framework for Climate Information and Early Warning Systems, including case studies on potential CIEWS projects/programmes and CIEWS SAP Fast Track. The session will include a presentation and a panel discussion with DAEs, NDAs and other partners to share their experiences, challenges, and key factors of success in the origination and design of CIEWS projects and perspectives to scale up and/or replicate those projects.</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Mamadou Honadia Presenter: Mr. Joseph Intsiful, Senior Climate Information and Early Warning Systems Specialist, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF; <i>virtual participation</i></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Kevin Horsburgh, Climate Science Lead, GCF</li> <li>- Mr. Eric Amoussou, Principal Environmental Specialist, Western African Development Bank (BOAD);</li> <li>- Ms. Lourdes Macasil, Programme Officer, CREWS</li> <li>- Mr. Gilbert Kayitare, Programme Policy and Project Coordination Officer, African Risk Capacit</li> </ul>
10:00– 10:30		<p><b>Session 4.3</b> <b>CREWS SAP Scaling-UP Framework</b></p> <p>This session will introduce Climate Risk &amp; Early Warning Systems (CREWS) initiative, discuss partnership opportunities to scale up CREWS projects and programme, including experiences, case studies and lessons learned.</p> <p>The session will include an overview of CREWS initiatives with case studies, and a presentation on the partnership in place with the GCF to scale up CREWS projects under the CREWS – SAP Scaling Up Framework.</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Mamadou Honadia Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Lourdes Macasil, Programme Officer, CREWS</li> <li>- Mr. Freddy Soto, Project Specialist – Simplified Approval Process, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF (<i>virtual participation</i>)</li> </ul>
10:30 – 11:00	<p>Coffee Break</p>	
11:00 – 12:00	<p><b>Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)</b></p>	<p><b>Session 4.4.1</b> <b>Project Implementation – Adaptive Management: Lessons from Implementation of GCF Investments in Africa</b></p> <p>This session relates to implementation of funded activities and would highlight lessons learned from projects under implementation, funded activities that had originated from readiness, including key challenges faced by Accredited Entities.</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Mamadou Honadia Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Folasade Ayonrinde, Portfolio Management Specialist, DPM</li> <li>- Karl Mutani Aribeb, Chief Operations Officer EIF, Namibia</li> <li>- Rosalie Lehel, Natural Resources Officer, FAO</li> <li>- Audrey -Cynthia Yamadjako, Principal Climate and Environment Finance Officer, AfDB</li> </ul>
		<p><b>Session 4.4.2</b> <b>CIEWS Readiness Proposal “Development of a platform/toolkit for hazard vulnerability, and risk assessment for decision-making for the African Island States Climate Commission (AISCC)”</b> <i>(by invitation only)</i></p> <p>Invited partners will advance ongoing work with the GCF.</p>



		- Harold Mugale, Climate Finance Specialist, DBSA
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch & Networking	
13:00 – 14:00	Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)	<p><b>Session 4.5</b> <b>Partnerships with the GCF: the roles of Accredited Entities, Executing Entities and Co-Financiers</b></p> <p>This session will provide various ways to partner with the GCF including but not limited to accredited entities, executing entities, Readiness delivery partners and co-financiers and their roles in the GCF programming. After a brief presentation, invited speakers will share their experiences on how partnering with the GCF has helped them enhance their climate financing capacity.</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Mamadou Honadia Presenter: Mr. Mallé Fall Sarr, Accreditation Officer, Division of Country Programming, GCF Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Bryan Chung-Kai-To, Coordinator of operational and financial services, Indian Ocean Commission</li> <li>- Direct Access Entity, <i>to be confirmed</i></li> <li>- (TBC) Mr. Philip Kilonzo, Policy, Advocacy and Communication Lead, PACJA</li> </ul>
14:00 – 15:00		<p><b>Session 4.6</b> <b>Locally Led Adaptation and Enhanced Direct Access</b></p> <p>This session will discuss experiences from DAEs, CSOs, and other partners on Locally-Led Adaptation Actions, including through the deployment of the Enhanced Direct Access (EDA) modality to enable rapid access to finance for the most vulnerable communities. The session will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A documentary on Community led Climate Adaptation initiatives;</li> <li>• A presentation on the GCF Enhanced Direct Access (EDA) modality; and</li> <li>• An interactive discussion involving a moderator, two DAEs and one CSO</li> </ul> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Mamadou Honadia Speaker: Mr. Nazeem Wasti, Project Preparation Facility Specialist, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF</p> <p>Fireside chat:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Fortunee Dossou, National Fund for Environment and Climate (Fonds National pour l'Environnement et le Climat (FNEC));</li> <li>- Ms. Charity Sihope, Environmental Investment Fund (EIF)</li> <li>- Ms. Titilope Ngozi Akosa, GCF Alternate CSO Observer - Global South and Executive Director, Centre for 21st Century Issues;</li> <li>- Ms. Balkissou Buba, GCF Indigenous Peoples Advisory Group</li> </ul>
15:00 – 16:00		<p><b>Session 4.7</b> <b>Step-by-Step Methodology for Originating a Pipeline of Project Concepts for Climate Resilience.</b></p> <p>The GCF will introduce the step-by-step methodology for originating a pipeline of project concepts for climate resilience, which has been developed to guide the process of identifying pipelines of projects that can enhance the resilience of vulnerable communities, natural systems and infrastructure to climate change.</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Mamadou Honadia Presenter: Ms. Katarzyna Dziamara-Rzucidlo, Human Settlements and Infrastructure Senior Specialist, Division of Portfolio Management, GCF</p> <p>The presentation by the GCF will be followed by group discussions: GCF will invite participants to discuss possible uses of the methodology at national levels, site-specific levels or for the conceptualization of projects/programmes. (Group discussions will be continued after the coffee break).</p>
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee Break	
16:30 – 17:30	Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)	<p><b>Session 4.7 (continued)</b> <b>Step-by-Step Methodology for Originating a Pipeline of Project Concepts for Climate Resilience</b></p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Mamadou Honadia Presenter: Ms. Katarzyna Dziamara-Rzucidlo, Human Settlements and Infrastructure Senior Specialist,</p>

		<p>Division of Portfolio Management, GCF</p> <p>Participants will be invited to continue group discussions and to report back on the results of these discussions.</p>
17:30 – 17:45	<p>Session 4.8</p> <p>Closing remarks of the Day</p>	

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09:00 – 09:15	<b>Session 5.1</b> Key Takeaways from Day 4   Introduction to Day 5	
09:15 – 10:00	Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)	<b>Session 5.2</b> <b>Project Specific Assessment Approach (PSAA)</b> This session will discuss opportunities for strategic partnership with the GCF through the PSAA pilot framework. The session will include a presentation on the PSAA and a panel discussion on lessons learnt with a case study.  Facilitator: Mr. Gabriel Boc, Senior Agriculture & Food Security Specialist, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF Panelists: - Ms. Wainella Isaacs, Programming & Operations Officer, Office of the Executive Director, GCF - Ms. Faith Kagwiria, Business Development Cooperation Officer, AGRA
10:00 – 10:30	Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)	<b>Session 5.3</b> <b>Simplified Approval Process (SAP)</b> This session will present an overview of the Simplified Approval Process (SAP) funding modality of the GCF and provide insight into the background and objectives of SAP, eligibility criteria, differences with the regular Funding Proposal window (PAP). The presentation will help Accredited Entities better understand how to prepare SAP projects and will be followed by Q&A with participants.  Facilitator: Mr. AJ Untalan, PPF Associate Professional, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF Presenter: Mr. Nazeem Wasti, Project Preparation Facility Specialist, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:00	Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)	<b>Session 5.4</b> <b>GCF Project Preparation Facility (PPF)</b> This session will introduce the Project Preparation Facility (PPF); its mandate, access modalities and resources; and linkages with GCF's Readiness and Preparatory Support; and case studies of recently approved Funding Proposals developed with PPF Support. The session will then host a panel discussion for speakers to share experience with designing impact climate finance proposals, and ways to effectively use the PPF and other available resources for project preparation.  Facilitator: Mr. Nazeem Wasti, Project Preparation Facility Specialist, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF Presenter: Mr. AJ Untalan, PPF Associate Professional, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF Panelists: - Mr. Zerihun Getu Mekuria, Coordinator, Ministry of Finance and Economic Cooperation, Ethiopia - Mr. Michael Jennings, Strategic Grant Manager, South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI), South Africa - Mr. Moez Rahmouni, Grant Officer, United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) - National Designated Authority, <i>to be confirmed</i>
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch & Networking	
13:00 – 14:00	Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)	<b>Session 5.5</b> <b>Towards strengthening DAEs capacity for GCF programming: DAE Action Plan Implementation</b> The session will introduce the Revised DAE Action Plan and invite feedback on the needs to increase DAEs' programming capabilities with the GCF.  Facilitator: Mr. Jose Alfred Cantos, Accredited Entities Manager, Division of Country Programming, GCF Presenter: Mr. Mallé Fall Sarr, Accreditation Officer, Division of Country Programming GCF Panelists: - Ms. Hajar Chmanti Houari, Project Manager, Agency for Agricultural Development – Morocco - Mr. Kingsley Adofo-Addo, Head of the SME Banking and Commercial Banking Department, EcoBank Ghana - Ms. Ireen Fwalanga, Senior Economist, Ministry of Finance and National Planning, Zambia

14:00 – 14:30	Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)	<p><b>Session 5.6</b>  <b>The Community of Practice for Direct Access Entities (CPDAE)</b>  The session will provide opportunity to discuss CPDAE’s experiences and lessons learned in addressing DAEs’ capacity gaps on project origination and development, building on CPDAE knowledge products.</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Oladé Balo, Regional Officer, GCF  Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Aissata Boubou Sall, Head of Climate Finance, Centre de Suivi Ecologique (CSE)</li> <li>- Ms. Ana Bublatzky, Project Development Manager, Business Development Unit, GIZ</li> <li>- Direct Access Entity, <i>to be confirmed</i></li> </ul>
14:30 – 15:30	Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)	<p><b>Session 5.7</b>  <b>Adaptive Management: Challenges and Lessons from the Implementation of Readiness Grants in Africa</b>  This session will examine challenges encountered during implementation within the AFRICA context; demystify GCF’s adaptive management options/requirements; share lessons/best practices and Success stories from implementation that can inform the origination of high-quality proposals; and discuss GCF’s strategic response measures in boosting operational efficiencies.</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. AJ Untalan, PPF Associate Professional, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF  Presenter: Ms. Gladys Huchu, Portfolio Management Officer, Division of Portfolio Management, GCF  Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Alex Simbabwi, Executive Secretary, Global Water Partnership Southern Africa</li> <li>• Mr. Mamo B. Mamo, Director General, National Environment Management Authority of Kenya</li> <li>• Mr. Moez Rahmouni, Grant Officer, UNOPS</li> <li>• Mr. Helal Uddin, Finance Specialist – Readiness and PPF, Office of Financial Analysis and Innovation, GCF</li> </ul>
15:30 – 16:00		<p><b>Session 5.8</b>  <b>Clinic – Readiness implementation monitoring management: training on readiness processes</b>  This session will focus on training to NDAs/DPs/AEs on Readiness and PPF Implementation Monitoring and Management processes, with the aim to promote learning and improving operational efficiencies in Readiness/PPF implementation.</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. AJ Untalan, PPF Associate Professional, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF  Presenter: Ms. Gladys Huchu, Portfolio Management Officer, Division of Portfolio Management, GCF  Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Helal Uddin, Finance Specialist – Readiness and PPF, Office of Financial Analysis and Innovation, GCF</li> <li>• Mr. Moez Rahmouni, Grant Officer, UNOPS</li> </ul>
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee Break	
16:30 – 17:00	Bilateral Meetings with the GCF (pre-scheduled)	<p><b>Session 5.9</b>  <b>Clinic - Understanding the FMCA Process and Effective Readiness Grant Proposal Budget Preparation</b>  The GCF will moderate a session aimed at clarifying the Readiness Programme-related Financial Management Capacity Assessment process and proposal budget preparation. A presentation by the GCF will be followed by discussions and Q&amp;A with participants.</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Gladys Huchu, Portfolio Management Officer, DPM  Presenter: Mr. Helal Uddin, Finance Specialist – Readiness and PPF, GCF</p>
17:00 – 17:30	<p><b>Session 5.10</b>  <b>Closing of the Dialogue</b></p>	