

# CLIMATE INVESTMENT FUNDS

June 25, 2013

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Summary of the Co-Chairs  
Meeting of the SCF Trust Fund Committee  
April 30, 2013

Co-Chairs  
Mr. Sean Batten, Australia  
Mr. David Kaluba, Zambia

## **AGENDA ITEM 1 AND 2. OPENING AND ELECTION OF CO-CHAIRS**

1. The SCF Trust Fund Committee elected Mr. David Kaluba, the Trust Fund Committee member from Zambia, and Mr. Sean Batten, the Trust Fund Committee member from Australia, to serve as co-chairs for an eighteen month term until November 2014.

## **AGENDA ITEM 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

2. The SCF Trust Fund Committee adopted the provisional agenda (document SCF/TFC.10/1).

## **AGENDA ITEM 4. PROGRESS REPORT ON SCF TARGETED PROGRAMS**

3. The Trust Fund Committee reviewed document, SCF/TFC.10/3/Rev.1, *Progress Report on the SCF Targeted Programs*. The Committee welcomes the progress achieved in the three targeted programs (FIP, PPCR and SREP), but notes ongoing concerns and the need to accelerate disbursement in these programs and requests that causes behind the delays be kept under review by the SCF Sub-Committees.

## **AGENDA ITEM 5. REVIEW OF THE SCF TECHNICAL REVIEWS OF INVESTMENT PLANS**

4. The SCF Trust Fund Committee reviewed document SCF/TFC.10/4, *Review of the SCF Technical Reviews of Investment Plans*, and agrees with the overall assessment that the independent technical review process has provided high quality, effective inputs to the investment planning process under the SCF programs. The Committee underscores that the reviews have been invaluable in the preparation and endorsement of the investment plans.

5. The Trust Fund Committee requests the CIF Administrative Unit and the MDBs to take the following steps to enhance the quality and effectiveness of any further technical reviews to be financed by the CIF, whilst ensuring that the technical reviews continue to be a low cost intervention:

- a) the assessment criteria within the terms of reference for reviews (Annex 1) should be revised to include a clear consideration of monitoring and evaluation and results frameworks as a separate criteria;
- b) the CIF Administrative Unit should provide a briefing before a reviewer begins his/her work to explain key background on CIF policies, procedures, and ambition to enhance the quality of recommendations;
- c) reviewers should be encouraged to contact government counterparts and MDB focal points during the review process, including to seek clarification on questions or concerns; and

- d) the CIF Administrative Unit should highlight to FIP pilot country and MDB focal points that, if desired, they may propose additional experts to be added to the FCPF roster of experts.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6. FREQUENCY OF SCF MEETINGS**

6. The SCF Trust Fund Committee reviewed document SCF/TFC.10/5/Rev.1, *Frequency of SCF Meetings*, and recognizing the similarities in the functions of the SCF Trust Fund Committee with some of the functions of the CTF and noting that it would be more efficient and effective for such similar functions to be addressed at the level of the Climate Investment Funds, agrees that the functions of the SCF Trust Fund Committee and the requirement that it meet at least once a year, can be fulfilled primarily through joint meetings of the SCF Trust Committee and the CTF Trust Fund Committee with the following understandings:

- a) all members of both committees will be invited to participate in the joint meeting. Membership of the joint meetings of the CTF and the SCF Trust Fund Committee will seek to maintain the principle of an equal number of seats for contributor countries and recipient countries. Therefore, 16 seats each should be provided at the joint meeting for both groups of countries so as to enable recipient or contributor countries that are not represented on either of the two committees to participate in the joint meeting's discussions on the CIF. If the number of interested contributor or eligible recipient countries exceeds the number of available seats for a group, the group should agree upon how to fill the seats at the joint meetings;<sup>1</sup>
- b) if in advance of a joint meeting there is: (i) an existing item on the joint meeting agenda or the SCF Sub-Committee meeting agenda; or (ii) a new agenda item, which would only fall under the mandate of the SCF Trust Fund Committee, any SCF Trust Fund Committee member may request the Head of the Administrative Unit to consult with the Co-Chairs of the SCF Trust Fund Committee and agree with them on whether or not to convene a separate meeting of the SCF Trust Fund Committee in conjunction with the joint meeting of the CTF and SCF Trust Fund Committees;
- c) at any time during a joint meeting of the CTF and SCF Trust Fund Committees, a member of the SCF Trust Fund Committee, the SCF Co-Chairs, or the Head of the Administrative Unit may request that the SCF Trust Fund Committee meet separately to consider any item that is deemed to fall only under the mandate of the SCF Trust Fund Committee; and
- d) the SCF Trust Fund Committee may, without meeting, consider any matter, including budgetary items that are related only to the SCF Trust Fund, on a no-objections basis, if the head of the Administrative Unit, in consultation with the

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<sup>1</sup> This distribution of seats at joint meetings was agreed when the joint meeting of the CTF and SCF Trust Fund Committees approved measures to improve the operations of the CIF in November 2011.

SCF Co-Chairs, determines and requests that the matter should not be postponed until the next joint meeting of the CTF and SCF Trust Fund Committees but does not warrant the calling of an intersessional meeting.

7. The SCF Trust Fund Committee members expressed their support for increased efficiency of CIF meetings and requests the CIF Administrative Unit to give ongoing consideration to further measures that can increase the efficiency of meetings.

**AGENDA ITEM 7. CLOSING**

8. The meeting was closed on Tuesday, April 30.