

Report on Progress from the PPCR

The Trust Fund Committee reviewed the *PPCR Progress Report*, document SCF/TFC.3/3, and takes note of the important progress that had been made in selecting the countries to be invited to participate in the pilot program. The Trust Fund Committee recognizes with appreciation the countries that have responded positively and quickly to the invitation to participate by completing an *Acceptance of Offer to Participate* template.

The Committee notes that the expert group will be submitting additional recommendations to the Sub-Committee on the selection of a pilot country from the MENA region as well as on the cluster of countries to be invited to participate in the regional programs for the Caribbean and the South Pacific.

The Trust Fund Committee notes that the PPCR Sub-Committee at its meeting this May will consider the main programming documents for the PPCR and encourages the countries and the MDBs, on the basis of the approved documents, to move forward as expeditiously as possible to begin operations under the program. The Committee underscores that the joint mission and PPCR programming are to be country-led. The Committee requests the countries and MDBs to use the PPCR programming as an opportunity to engage and coordinate with other initiatives related to adaptation and stresses the importance of providing advance information on the purpose of the missions and the goals of the PPCR.

The PPCR should seek to build the capacity of countries and the MDB country teams to address the challenges of responding to the impacts of climate change.