



# Global Support Programme III: Strengthening Capacities of Country Parties for UNCCD Monitoring and Reporting

Review CEO Endorsement and Make a recommendation

## Basic project information

**GEF ID**

10806

**Countries**

Global

**Project Name**

Global Support Programme III: Strengthening Capacities of Country Parties  
for UNCCD Monitoring and Reporting

**Agencies**

UNEP

**Date received by PM**

3/26/2021

**Review completed by PM**

3/26/2021

**Program Manager**

Jean-Marc Sinnassamy

**Focal Area**

Land Degradation

**Project Type**

EA

## **Expedited Enabling Activity req (CEO)**

### **Part 1: Project Information**

#### **Focal area elements**

**Is the enabling activity aligned with the relevant GEF focal area elements as indicated in Table A and as defined by the GEF 7 Programming Directions?**

#### **Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request**

See the review of the GEFID 10756 to see the exchanges with UNEP. The last version of the EA submission was technically cleared, but UNEP did not use the right template of expedited EA. This new submission uses the information agreed under the GEFID 10756.

Addressed.

#### **Agency Response**

##### **Project description summary**

**Is the project structure/design appropriate to achieve the expected outcomes and outputs as in Table B and described in the project document?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

#### **Agency Response**

##### **Co-financing**

**Are the confirmed expected amounts, sources and types of co-financing adequately documented, with supporting evidence and a description on how the breakdown of co-financing was identified [and meets the definition of investment mobilized, and a description of any major changes from PIF, consistent with the requirements of the Co-Financing Policy and Guidelines?]**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response  
**GEF Resource Availability**

**Is the proposed GEF financing in Table D (including the Agency fee) in line with GEF policies and guidelines?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response  
**Are they within the resources available from:  
The STAR allocation?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request NA

Agency Response  
**The focal area allocation?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response  
**The LDCF under the principle of equitable access**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request NA

Agency Response  
**The SCCF (Adaptation or Technology Transfer)?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request NA

Agency Response

**Focal area set-aside?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response

**Is the financing presented adequate and demonstrate a cost-effective approach to meet the project objectives?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response

**Part 2: Enabling Activity Justification**

**Background and Context.**

**Are the achievements of previously implemented enabling activities cited since the country(ies) became a party to the Convention?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response

**Goals, Objectives, and Activities.**

**Is the project framework sufficiently described?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response

**Stakeholders.**

**Does the project include detailed report on stakeholders engaged during the design phase?**

**Is there an adequate stakeholder engagement plan or equivalent documentation for the implementation phase, with information on Stakeholders who will be engaged, the means of engagement, and dissemination of information?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response

**Gender equality and women's empowerment.**

**Has the gender analysis been completed? Did the gender analysis identify any gender differences, gaps or opportunities linked to project/program objectives and activities? If so, does the project/program include gender-responsive activities, gender-sensitive indicators and expected results?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response

**Monitoring and Evaluation.**

**Does the project include a budgeted M&E Plan?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response

**Cost Effectiveness.**

**Is the project cost effective?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response

**Cost Ranges**

**If there was a deviation in the cost range, was this explained?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

Agency Response

**Part III. Endorsement/Approval by OFP**

**Country endorsement**

**Has the project been endorsed by the country's GEF Operational Focal Point and has the name and position been checked against the GEF database?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response  
**Response to Comments**

**Are all the comments adequately responded to? (only as applicable)**

GEF Secretariat Comment See comments in the 10756 if needed. Cleared.

Agency Response  
**05.04.2021**

The fields related to the submission date, expected implementation start date, and the expected report submission to Convention are now completed.

**Other Agencies comments?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request NA

Agency Response  
**Council comments**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request NA

Agency Response  
**STAP Comments**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request NA

Agency Response  
**Convention Secretariat comments**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request NA

Agency Response  
CSOs comments

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request NA

Agency Response  
GEFSEC DECISION

**RECOMMENDATION**

**Is CEO Endorsement/approval recommended?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request  
This project is recommended for clearance.

April 1st, 2021: Portal issue: The fields related to submission date, expected implementation start and expected report submission to Convention are empty. Please, complete.

April 6, 2021

Addressed. The project is recommended for clearance.

**Review Dates**

	<b>Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement</b>	<b>Response to Secretariat comments</b>
<b>First Review</b>	<b>3/26/2021</b>	<b>4/6/2021</b>
<b>Additional Review (as necessary)</b>	<b>4/1/2021</b>	
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**Secretariat Comment at  
CEO Endorsement**

**Response to  
Secretariat  
comments**

**Additional Review  
(as necessary)**

**CEO Recommendation**

**Brief reasoning for CEO Recommendations**

See comments in the PIF review.