

# Fourth Biennial Update Report

**Review CEO Endorsement and Make a recommendation**

## **Basic project information**

**GEF ID**

10487

**Countries**

Chile

**Project Name**

Fourth Biennial Update Report

**Agencies**

UNDP

**Date received by PM**

1/29/2020

**Review completed by PM**

4/1/2020

**Program Manager**

Milena Vasquez

**Focal Area**

Climate Change

**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 PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: Yes, the enabling activity is aligned with the GEF climate change strategy.

#### **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 PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: Yes, Table B is appropriate and clear.

**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 PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: co-financing is not required for enabling activities.

**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 PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: Yes, the project is requesting \$385,440 including fees.

**Agency Response**

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

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: N/A

**Agency Response**

The focal area allocation?

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: N/A

**Agency Response**

The LDCF under the principle of equitable access

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: N/A

**Agency Response**

The SCCF (Adaptation or Technology Transfer)?

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: N/A

**Agency Response**

Focal area set-aside?

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: Yes, the amount is available in the climate change set aside.

## Agency Response

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

## Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion

1/31/2020: Considering this is Chile's fourth BUR and that there is a strong baseline of support for this work, we would like to understand if there has been any changes to the cost of preparing these reports over time or efficiencies gained. Per the GEF's programming directions, countries are eligible to request up to \$352,000, but could request less. Please comment.

4/1/2020: Thank you for your response. This comment is cleared.

## Agency Response

3/31/2020 (There is a minimal adjustment in the Part II.A: Enabling Activity Background and Context. Other comments had been already integrated in the EA request.

For the elaboration of the 4th BUR, the country has self-imposed three objectives:

- a) Maintain and improve BUR quality
- b) Integrate improvements according to the ICA comments/recommendations
- c) Revision and analyses of BTR guidelines, to identify future methodological changes of the report and associated capacity-building needs.

To complete those objectives, the Project will support 4th BUR elaboration process: • To improve emission factors, GHG data collection and estimation, and support elaboration of sectorial and regional GHG inventories. • To assess progress of mitigation policies and actions from the main emitter and their impact on the national GHG inventory, as a first exercise of integration of both components. • To build capacities, specifically advance in a gender analyses for one emitter sector, and to do additional effort to systematize and address constraints and gaps To achieve these objectives, the estimated cost of project activities is \$352,000.

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It is important to note that Chile requested resources only for two previous BURs.

## **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 PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: Yes, however, we note that Chile recently went through its third cycle of the International Consultation and Analysis, which is not mentioned in this proposal, including the new list of prioritized capacity-building needs. Please add this information and consider how the project will specifically address some of these.

4/1/2020: Thank you for adding this information. Comment cleared.

### **Agency Response**

3/31/2020 (New paragraph in the Part II. A: Enabling Activity Background and Context)

In 2019, the Third Biennial Update Report was subjected to the international consultation and analysis (ICA), process that identified some continuous challenges and capacity building needs to facilitate preparation of subsequent BURs, such as: sustainability of current arrangements; integration of climate change indicators and MRV as an assessment tool for sectoral institutions; improve capacities on tools for estimating mitigation impacts; centralization of information gathering and management through a unique platform to improve and optimize reporting (MRV hub) and integration of lessons learned in arrangement and design of NDC's MRV. Despite the lessons learned and the efficiencies gained, the country needs additional resources in order to integrate ICA recommendations, to maintain and improve the quality of the reported information.

In the case of the NGHGI, the country needs additional capacities and BUR resources to improve EF and determine country specific factors for key categories (specifically in the Energy, IPPU and Waste sectors).

There are still difficulties to gather information of the mitigation actions in the private sector and at a subnational level. For this reason, a significant improvement in the elaboration of a common MRV framework is needed. This will result into improving overall national reporting capacities.

Similarly, more resources and capacities are needed to include information on mitigation policies and gender issues.

**Goals, Objectives, and Activities.**

**Is the project framework sufficiently described?**

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: Yes.

**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 PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: Yes.

**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 PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: Yes.

**Agency Response**

**Monitoring and Evaluation.**

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

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: Yes.

**Agency Response**

Cost Effectiveness.

Is the project cost effective?

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: See question above regarding project financing.

4/1/2020: Comment above has been cleared.

**Agency Response**

Cost Ranges

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

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: There is no deviation in the cost range.

**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 PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: Yes, the project has been endorsed by the OFP.

**Agency Response**

Response to Comments

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

**GEF Secretariat Comment**

**Agency Response**

Other Agencies comments?

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

**Agency Response**

Council comments

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

**Agency Response**

STAP Comments

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

**Agency Response**

Convention Secretariat comments

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

**Agency Response**

CSOs comments

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

**Agency Response**

GEFSEC DECISION

RECOMMENDATION

**Is CEO Endorsement/approval recommended?**

**Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion**

1/31/2020: Please address comments above.

4/1/2020: Please note that the project duration (currently 22 months) needs to match the time between implementation start date and completion date (currently 20 months). Please fix. Please also amend the Rio Marker for Adaptation to 0 as this is a BUR not an NC.

4/10/2020: Comments have been addressed. PM recommends CEO approval.

**Review Dates**

	<b>Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement</b>	<b>Response to Secretariat comments</b>
<b>First Review</b>		
<b>Additional Review (as necessary)</b>		
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**CEO Recommendation**

**Brief reasoning for CEO Recommendations**

The objective of this enabling activity is to support the Government of Chile to prepare its Fourth Biennial Report for the fulfillment of the obligations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) to be submitted at the end of this year.

In 2019, the Third Biennial Update Report was subjected to the international consultation and analysis (ICA), process that identified some continuous challenges and capacity needs to facilitate preparation of subsequent BURs, such as: sustainability of current arrangements; integration of climate change indicators and MRV as an assessment tool for sectoral institutions; improve capacities on tools for estimating mitigation impacts; centralization of information gathering and management through a unique platform to improve and optimize reporting (MRV hub) and integration of lessons learned in arrangement and design of NDC's MRV. This project

will maintain and improve BUR quality, integrate improvements according to the ICA comments and recommendations, and advance in the revision and analysis of biennial transparency report (BTR) guidelines, to identify future methodological changes of the report and associated capacity-building needs.

The project expected outputs are:

1. Update of the National GHG Inventory up to 2018 (period of 2016-2018) and strengthen the National GHG Inventory System and Documentation system support.
2. Create the enabling conditions for the implementation, compliance and follow-up of GHG emission reduction goals, progress of the NDC targets (mitigation component) and to contribute consistently to a low carbon economy; and support the process of establishment of domestic Measurement, Reporting and Verification system.
3. Information on National Circumstances, Institutional Arrangements relevant to the preparation of the national communications on a continuous basis revised and updated; and identify and reduce the constraints and gaps related to technology transfer, capacity building and technical assistance, and financing.
4. Compilation and Submission of Fourth BUR. Project regularly monitored, financial audit conducted and lessons learned compiled.