



# Republic of Moldova: Preparation of the First Biennial Transparency Report to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

Review CEO Endorsement and Make a recommendation

## Basic project information

**GEF ID**

10962

**Countries**

Moldova

**Project Name**

Republic of Moldova: Preparation of the First Biennial Transparency Report to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

**Agencies**

UNEP

**Date received by PM**

4/6/2022

**Review completed by PM**

**Program Manager**

Esteban Bermudez Forn

**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 CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 4/21/2022

This project is aligned with the GEF-7 climate change focal are 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 CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 5/10/2022

Cleared.

EBF 4/21/2022

Yes, with a suggestion. Please address the following comment:

1. Regarding Output 1.1.2, "a GEF funding proposal for subsequent BTR prepared" should be "the preparation for subsequent BTRs" is in line with the result of "Final qualitative assessment on human and institutional capacities for

NCs and BTRs reporting." The assessment should focus on BTRs as this is a BTR project. However, NC can be included in a subsequent project if combined BTR/NC reporting is expected in the country.

Agency Response

05/10/2022

The texts on output 1.1.2 revised as suggested.

**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

EBF 4/21/2022

Co-financing is not required for EAs. Therefore, co-finance has not been confirmed for this project.

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

EBF 4/21/2022

Yes, Table D is properly filled out.

Agency Response

**Are they within the resources available from:**

**The STAR allocation?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 4/21/2022

N/A

Agency Response

**The focal area allocation?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 4/21/2022

N/A

Agency Response

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

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 4/21/2022

N/A

Agency Response

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

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 4/21/2022

N/A

Agency Response

**Focal area set-aside?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 4/21/2022

Yes. There are sufficient resources to support this project from the climate change focal area set aside.

Agency Response

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

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 4/21/2022

Yes, the financing requested is based on full-cost basis for reporting obligations.

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

EBF 5/10/2022

Cleared.

EBF 4/21/2022

Yes. This is well and clearly described. A minor comment, please check Table 1 because it is off the margins.

Agency Response

05/10/2022

[This has been corrected.](#)

**Goals, Objectives, and Activities.**

**Is the project framework sufficiently described?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 5/10/2022

Cleared.

EBF 4/21/2022

Yes, with suggestions. Please address the following comment:

1. Please move Institutional Arrangements from section B to section C.

Agency Response

05/10/2022

[Institutional framework moved from section B to C as suggested.](#)

**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

EBF 4/21/2022

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 CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 4/21/2022

Yes.

**Agency Response**

**Monitoring and Evaluation.**

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

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 5/10/2022

Cleared.

EBF 4/21/2022

Yes. A minor comment, please check Table G because it is off the margins.

**Agency Response**

05/10/2022

[This has been corrected](#)

**Cost Effectiveness.**

**Is the project cost effective?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 4/21/2022

Yes.

Agency Response

**Cost Ranges**

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

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 5/10/2022

Cleared.

EBF 4/21/2022

N/A. Please check the Project Budget Table in Annex A of the Portal Entry which is off the margins.

Agency Response

[05/10/2022](#)

[This has been corrected.](#)

**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

EBF 5/10/2022

Cleared.

EBF 4/21/2022

We note that there is an inconsistency in the letter of endorsement. The GEF Secretariat is waiting for confirmation from Moldova's PFP of Vladilena Toia as GEF Operational Focal Point since she is not registered in the GEF Database.

Agency Response

[05/10/2022](#)

The updated letter of endorsement signed by Mr. Petru TATARU, the GEF operational focal point is attached. He is registered in the GEF Database.

**Response to Comments**

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

GEF Secretariat Comment

EBF 4/21/2022

N/A

Agency Response

**Other Agencies comments?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 4/21/2022

N/A

Agency Response

**Council comments**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 4/21/2022

N/A

Agency Response

**STAP Comments**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

EBF 4/21/2022

N/A

Agency Response

**Convention Secretariat comments**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request



EBF 4/21/2022  
N/A

Agency Response  
CSOs comments

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request  
EBF 4/21/2022  
N/A

Agency Response  
GEFSEC DECISION

**RECOMMENDATION**

**Is CEO Endorsement/approval recommended?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request  
EBF 5/10/2022  
The PM recommends for CEO Approval.

EBF 4/21/2022  
Please address the comments above.

**Review Dates**

	<b>Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement</b>	<b>Response to Secretariat comments</b>
<b>First Review</b>	4/21/2022	
<b>Additional Review (as necessary)</b>	5/10/2022	
<b>Additional Review (as necessary)</b>		

**Secretariat Comment at  
CEO Endorsement**

**Response to  
Secretariat  
comments**

**Additional Review  
(as necessary)**

**Additional Review  
(as necessary)**

**CEO Recommendation**

**Brief reasoning for CEO Recommendations**