

# Cerrado standing with income generation: the baru production chain as an ally of biodiversity and traditional peoples

Review CEO Endorsement and Make a recommendation

## **Basic project information**

GEF ID

10911
Countries

Brazil
Project Name

Cerrado standing with income generation: the baru production chain as an ally of biodiversity and traditional peoples
Agencies

Funbio
Date received by PM

2/21/2023
Review completed by PM

Program Manager	
Mark Zimsky	
Focal Area	
Biodiversity	
Project Type	
MSP	

# PIF CEO Endorsement

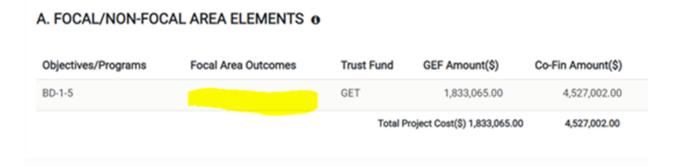
Part I ? Project Information

Focal area elements

1. Does the project remain aligned with the relevant GEF focal area elements as presented in PIF (as indicated in table A)?

Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023

Please complete the focal area outcomes in Table A as noted below:



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Cleared.

Agency Response done. Project description summary

2. 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 2/24/2023

Yes, cleared.

Agency Response

3. If this is a non-grant instrument, has a reflow calendar been presented in Annex D?

Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023

NA

Agency Response Co-financing

4. 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 2/24/2023

Please change all grants to Investment Mobilized in terms of their characterization, they should not be labeled recurrent expenditures.

All co-financing evidence letters are in Portuguese. Please provide the translation of co-financing letters in English.

The co-financing letters for the following entities are missing: IEB, FURNAS, FUNBIO.

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Cleared.
Agency Response Done.
All co-finance letters in Portuguese have an english translation after the letter in portuguese.
FURNAS was included into IEB letter as this is an IEB contract with Furnas.
IEB and Funbio letters included.
GEF Resource Availability
5. Is the financing presented in Table D adequate and does the project demonstrate a cost-effective approach to meet the project objectives?
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023
Yes, cleared.
Agency Response Project Preparation Grant
6. Is the status and utilization of the PPG reported in Annex C in the document?
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023
No, please provide the PPG utilization report in Annex C directly in the portal format.
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Cleared.
Agency Response PPG utilization included.

**Core indicators** 

	7. Are there changes/adjustments made in the core indicator targets indicated in Table E? Do they remain realistic?		
	ecretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 24/2023		
Pl	ease embed the core indicator targets in the results framework in Annex A.		
m	either the M&E Plan, nor the Results Framework describe the eans of verification, sources, responsibilities, and cost. Please evise.		
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Cl	leared.		
	gency Response Core indicators were embebed into annex A and means of verification, surces, responsabilities and costs were also included.		
Pa	art II ? Project Justification		
	Is there a sufficient elaboration on how the global environmental/adaptation problems, cluding the root causes and barriers, are going to be addressed?		
	ecretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 24/2023		
Ye	es, cleared.		
2.	gency Response Is there an elaboration on how the baseline scenario or any associated baseline projects were rived?		
	ecretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 24/2023		
Ye	es, cleared.		

### Agency Response

3. Is the proposed alternative scenario as described in PIF/PFD sound and adequate? Is there sufficient clarity on the expected outcomes and components of the project and a description on the project is aiming to achieve them?

Secretariat Comment at PIF/Work Program Inclusion 2/24/2023

Yes, cleared.

### Agency Response

4. Is there further elaboration on how the project is aligned with focal area/impact program strategies?

Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023

Yes, cleared.

### Agency Response

5. Is the incremental reasoning, contribution from the baseline, and co-financing clearly elaborated?

Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023

Yes, cleared.

### Agency Response

6. Is there further and better elaboration on the project?s expected contribution to global environmental benefits or adaptation benefits?

Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023

Yes, cleared.

Agency Response

7. Is there further and better elaboration to show that the project is innovative and sustainable including the potential for scaling up?
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023
Yes, cleared.
Agency Response Project Map and Coordinates
Is there an accurate and confirmed geo-referenced information where the project intervention will take place?
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023
Yes, cleared.
Agency Response Child Project
If this is a child project, is there an adequate reflection of how it contributes to the overall program impact?
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023
NA.
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 2/24/2023

It is noted that that the agency has provided (annex 2) detailed information on stakeholder consultations during project development. However, the project has not provided a stakeholder engagement plan or equivalent outlining the roles and responsibilities of stakeholders during project implementation. Please revise accordingly and you can find the GEF policy and guidelines on stakeholder engagement here: https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/council-meeting-documents/EN GEF.C.55 Inf.08 Guidelines Stakeholder Engagement.pdf.

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Cleared.

Agency Response Included text clarifying this issue and stating that as the project relies heavily on engagement with local communities, there is no separated plan for stakeholder engagement as it is already built into almost all project activities.

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?

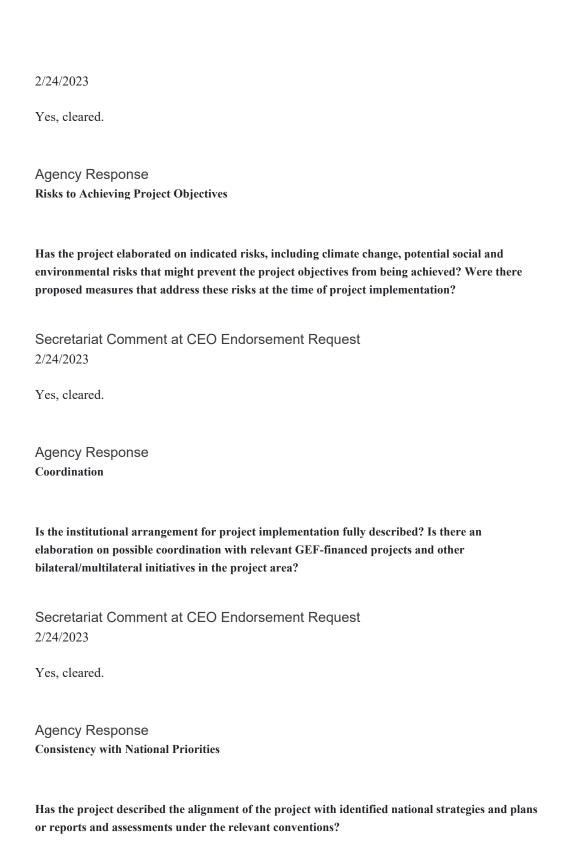
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023

Yes, cleared.

Agency Response
Private Sector Engagement

If there is a private sector engagement, is there an elaboration of its role as a financier and/or as a stakeholder?

Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request



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Yes, cleared.
Agency Response Knowledge Management
Is the proposed ?Knowledge Management Approach? for the project adequately elaborated with a timeline and a set of deliverables?
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023
Yes, cleared.
Agency Response Environmental and Social Safeguard (ESS)
Are environmental and social risks, impacts and management measures adequately documented at this stage and consistent with requirements set out in SD/PL/03?
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023
Yes, cleared.
Agency Response  Monitoring and Evaluation
Does the project include a budgeted M&E Plan that monitors and measures results with indicators and targets?
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023

Please include a detailed M&E budget in section 9.

Neither the M&E Plan, nor the Results Framework describe the means of

verification, sources, responsibilities, and cost. Please revise.

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Cleared.
Agency Response Means of verification were explained, sources, responsabilities and costs were included.  Benefits
Are the socioeconomic benefits at the national and local levels sufficiently described resulting from the project? Is there an elaboration on how these benefits translate in supporting the achievement of GEBs or adaptation benefits?
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023
Yes, cleared.
Agency Response Annexes
Are all the required annexes attached and adequately responded to?
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023
Yes, for the most part.
Please reformat the budget so it can be read easily in the portal, right now it is very difficult to read.
Please include a line in the budget table provided in Annex E where we can see the total amounts for all the components, M&E and PMC
Please provide some level of detail on what the item recurring office costs include.
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Cleared.

Budget was reformated, we also include an image of the table.
Line in the budget included.
Recurring office details were included in the table.
Project Results Framework
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023
Please embed the GEF Core Indicators in the Results Framework, Annex A.
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Cleared.
Agency Response Core indicators were embebed  GEF Secretariat comments
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023
NA.
Agency Response Council comments
Council Comments
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023
NA.
Agency Response STAP comments
Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request

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Agency Response **Convention Secretariat comments** Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023 NA. Agency Response Other Agencies comments Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023 NA. Agency Response **CSOs comments** Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023 NA. Agency Response Status of PPG utilization

Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request

Please provide as noted above, Annex C is missing.

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Cleared.

Agency Response Included. Project maps and coordinates Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023 Yes, cleared. Agency Response Does the termsheet in Annex F provide finalized financial terms and conditions? Does the termsheet and financial structure address concerns raised at PIF stage and that were pending to be resolved ahead of CEO endorsement? (For NGI Only) Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023 NA. Agency Response Do the Reflow Table Annex G and the Trustee Excel Sheet for reflows provide accurate reflow expectations of the project submitted? Assumptions for Reflows can be submitted to explain expected reflows. (For NGI Only) Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023 NA. Agency Response Did the agency Annex H provided with information to assess the Agency Capacity to generate and manage reflows? (For NGI Only) Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement Request 2/24/2023 NA.

Agency Response

### **GEFSEC DECISION**

### RECOMMENDATION

Is CEO endorsement recommended? (applies only to projects and child projects)

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Please address all revisions above.

Also, the listed start date for the project is in 2022 and the end date should be 4 years after the start date. Please revise both entries accordingly.

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Yes, project is recommended for CEO approval.

### **Review Dates**

	Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement	Response to Secretariat comments
First Review	3/7/2023	
Additional Review (as necessary)	5/15/2023	
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**CEO Recommendation** 

**Brief reasoning for CEO Recommendations**