

# Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel

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## STAP Scientific and Technical screening of the Project Identification Form (PIF)

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### I. PIF Information *(Paste here from the PIF)*

**Full size project**      **GEF Trust Fund**

**GEF PROJECT ID:** 3924

**COUNTRY(IES):** GLOBAL

**PROJECT TITLE:** DEVELOPMENT MARKET PLACE 2009: CLIMATE ADAPTATION

**GEF AGENCY(IES):** World Bank

**OTHER EXECUTING PARTNER(S):**

**GEF FOCAL AREA (S):** Climate Change (ADAPTATION) AND MULTIFOCAL AREA

**GEF-4 STRATEGIC PROGRAM(S):** ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE

### II. STAP Advisory Response *(see table below for explanation)*

1. Based on this PIF screening, STAP's advisory response to the GEF Secretariat and GEF Agency(ies):  
**Consent**

### III. Further guidance from STAP

1. STAP welcomes this project which seeks to derive significant co-benefits for local communities through climate change adaptation activities.
2. Climate adaptation is implemented using a two-way approach: by reducing vulnerability of ecosystems and communities and increasing adaptive capacity to respond to adverse impacts of climate change. Both should be mainstreamed into sectoral and national planning process using top-down and bottom-up approaches. STAP recommends including adaptation mainstreaming as an additional important criteria for supporting projects and one of the project risks to be considered at the CEO endorsement stage.
3. STAP recommends extending DM2010 support to risk management and risk reduction strategies beyond disaster risk management.
4. The PIF does not provide justification for focusing DM 2010 competition on the three categories of projects (reducing climate impacts on indigenous communities, providing co-benefits of sustainable resource management, and improving community resilience through disaster risk management). UNFCCC text refers to adaptation issues in several articles. Specifically, Article 4 commits parties to "... develop and elaborate appropriate and integrated plans for coastal zone management, water resources and agriculture, and for the protection and rehabilitation of areas, particularly in Africa, affected by drought and desertification, as well as floods". Bali Action Plan puts further emphasis on LDC and SIDS. STAP advises emphasizing these priority areas in DM2010.

<i>STAP advisory response</i>	<i>Brief explanation of advisory response and action proposed</i>
1. <b>Consent</b>	STAP acknowledges that on scientific/technical grounds the concept has merit. However, STAP may state its views on the concept emphasising any issues that could be improved and the proponent is invited to approach STAP for advice at any time during the development of the project brief prior to submission for CEO endorsement.
2. <b>Minor revision required.</b>	STAP has identified specific scientific/technical suggestions or opportunities that should be discussed with the proponent as early as possible during development of the project brief. One or more options that remain open to STAP include: (i) Opening a dialogue between STAP and the proponent to clarify issues (ii) Setting a review point during early stage project development and agreeing terms of reference for an independent expert to be appointed to conduct this review The proponent should provide a report of the action agreed and taken, at the time of submission of the full project brief for CEO endorsement.
3. <b>Major revision required</b>	STAP proposes significant improvements or has concerns on the grounds of specified major scientific/technical omissions in the concept. If STAP provides this advisory response, a full explanation would also be provided. Normally, a STAP approved review will be mandatory prior to submission of the project brief for CEO endorsement. The proponent should provide a report of the action agreed and taken, at the time of submission of the full project brief for CEO endorsement.