



ADAPTATION FUND

September 3, 2012

Adaptation Fund Board

Adoption of the Adaptation Fund Board's Decisions on the Performance Review of the Secretariat and Trustee

Secretariat:

Taking into account the working group's evaluations of the GEF cross-support to the AF, particularly on results-based management, human resources, information technology, knowledge management, and project review, the Board decides to:

- a) Request the Project and Programme Review Committee (PPRC) to consider authorizing the secretariat to decide on the endorsement of project concepts based on their technical reviews and assessments of proposals, and to notify proponents directly. The PPRC is requested to formulate a recommendation to the AFB in this regard.

Decision B.18-19/2

In order to ensure the quality of the project/programme review process, the Board decides to request the Head of the AFB Secretariat to:

- a) Ensure that the co-reviewers selected for the GEF Secretariat's cross support services for AF project reviews have at least the same amount of relevant experience as the dedicated team of the AFB secretariat project review team; and,
- b) Inform the AFB about the need of additional staff before recruiting, should there be any longer term human resource constraints regarding the provision of AF project review services

Decision B.18-19/3

Recognizing high turnover amongst GEF Secretariat staff providing cross-support to the AFB Secretariat, the Board decides to request the Head of the AFB Secretariat to:

- c) Consistently ensure the quality of the work provided by the GEF cross-support staff, limit excessive turnover of the GEF staff to avoid undermining the quality of the

support, and regularly report to the AFB the grade of GEF secretariat staff assigned to the provision of cross-support to the AF;

d) Ensure that GEF staff providing cross-support are able to prioritize the work for the Adaptation Fund adequately and sufficiently.

Decision B.18-19/4

The Board decides to explore further how to guarantee that the GEF cross-cutting support provided and charged to the AF responds to the needs of the AFB.

Decision B.18-19/5

The Board decides to recommend the CMP maintain the GEF as interim Secretariat of the AFB and to include the above paragraph in its next report to the CMP.

Decision B.18-19/6

The Board finds that the recommendation to shift the oversight role over the Trustee's activities from the Board to the Secretariat is not advisable. The Board decides to maintain oversight over the Trustee's activities.

Decision B.18-19/7

Trustee:

The Board decides to:

a) Encourage the Trustee to increase the use of videoconferencing to ensure their efficient participation in AFB Meetings and to strive to limit their direct participation in AFB Meetings to one senior staff member ; and

b) Request the Trustee to provide the Chair of the AFB intersessionally with justification of any need for their direct participation in the next AFB meetings at a level that goes beyond the above recommendation. .

Decision B.18-19/8

The Board decides to request the Trustee to examine the report prepared by the consultant entitled "Performance Review of the Interim Arrangements of the Adaptation Fund" and advise at its next meeting about possible options/ measures to ensure that information about the amount of CERs available to the Adaptation Fund in its Share of Proceeds Account held with the Clean Development Mechanism is complete, accurate and received in a timely manner before the CERs are made available to the Trustee for monetization. Each option should include a cost estimate and a time line for implementation.

Decision B.18-19/9