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Adaptation Fund Board Ethics and Finance Committee Twenty-eighth Meeting Bonn, Germany (held virtually), 14-15 October 2021

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting

The Chair of the Ethics and Finance Committee (EFC), Mr. Mohamed Zmerli (Tunisia, Africa) will open the meeting.

2. Organizational matters:

a) Adoption of the agenda

Documents: AFB/EFC.28/1, *Provisional agenda* and AFB/EFC.28/2, *Annotated provisional agenda*.

Action expected: The EFC will be invited to adopt the agenda for the meeting and to raise any other matters it may wish to discuss. These other matters will be included on the agenda under item 8.

b) Organization of work

Documents: AFB/EFC.28/1, *Provisional agenda* and AFB/EFC.28/2, *Annotated provisional agenda*.

Background: The Chair will propose to the EFC the organization of work as suggested in the attached provisional timetable.

3. Annual performance report for fiscal year 2021

Document: AFB/EFC.28/3, Annual performance report for fiscal year 2021.

Background: The secretariat will present the annual performance report (APR) for the fiscal year 2021 for consideration by the EFC. This year report provides a wide range of information on the progress of Medium-Term Strategy (MTS) implementation during the

reporting period, following the strategic foci of: Action, Innovation, and Learning and Sharing. Additionally, diverse analyses on information captured since the inception of the Fund in 2010 are presented. Finally, this year APR provides information on countries that are eligible to access additional funding from the newly established the country cap, and on project regular and COVID-19 related requests for project change received.

Action expected: The EFC will be invited to consider the annual performance report for the fiscal year 2021 contained in document AFB/EFC.28/3, and to make a recommendation to the Board for approval.

4. Financial issues:

a) Financial status of the Trust Fund and CER monetization

Document: AFB/EFC.28/4, <u>Adaptation Fund Trust Fund: Financial report prepared by the</u> <u>trustee (as at 30 June 2021).</u>

Background: The trustee will report on the financial status of the trust fund to the EFC.

Action expected: The EFC will be invited to consider and take note of the report presented by the trustee.

b) Reconciliation of the administrative budgets of the Board and the Secretariat, the Evaluation Function and the Trustee for fiscal year 2021

Document: AFB/EFC.28/5, <u>Reconciliation of the administrative budgets of the Board and</u> the secretariat, the evaluation function, and the trustee for the fiscal year 2021

Background: The secretariat and the trustee will present the reconciled budgets for fiscal year 2021 (1 July 2020 – 30 June 2021).

Action expected: The EFC will be invited to consider and take note of the reconciled budgets of the Board and the secretariat, the evaluation function and the trustee for the fiscal year 2021.

5. Report of the Chair of the Technical Evaluation Reference Group

a) Draft evaluation policy of the Adaptation Fund

Document: AFB/EFC.28/Inf.3, *Progress on Development of the Adaptation Fund Evaluation Policy - Information Update*

Background: The Board has requested the AF-TERG to review and revise the Fund's Evaluation Framework as part of AF-TERG's Board-approved Strategy and Work Programme. A first draft of the new evaluation policy has been completed but the AF-TERG has concluded that the policy would benefit from broader consultations with internal and external Fund stakeholders. The AF-TERG will submit a draft Evaluation Policy for

the EFC to consider and to make a recommendation to the Board at the March 2022 meeting.

Action expected: The EFC will be invited to consider and take note of the update report and provide guidance and feedback regarding two questions posed in the document.

b) Mid-term review of the Medium-term Strategy

Document: AFB/EFC.28/7, <u>Mid-term Review of the Medium-term Strategy of the</u> <u>Adaptation Fund</u>

Background: The Board approved the Implementation Plan for the Medium-Term Strategy (MTS) in March 2018 and requested the AF-TERG to undertake a Mid-term Review (MTR) of the MTS and its Implementation Plan in FY21 as part of AF-TERG's Board-approved Strategy and Work Programme. The AF-TERG presented emerging findings in the March 2021 EFC meeting and will present the above-mentioned final document responding to the Board request.

Action expected: The EFC will be invited to consider and take note of the report, contained in document AFB/EFC.28/7, and to make a recommendation to the Board for approval.

6. Management response to the Mid-term Review of the Medium-term Strategy

Document: AFB/EFC.28/6, Initial management response to Mid-term Review of the Medium-term Strategy of the Adaptation Fund

Background: The AF-TERG will present the Mid-term Review (MTR) of the MTS and its Implementation Plan contained in document AFB/EFC.28/7. The secretariat drafted an initial management response identifying to what extent the Secretariat agrees or disagrees with the report, provides an update on actions already being undertaken to address some of the recommendations, and includes an annex with specific responses to the findings.

Action expected: The EFC will be invited to consider and take note of the management response, contained in document AFB/EFC.28/6, and to make a recommendation to the Board for its endorsement and next steps.

7. Update on implications of the fiduciary issues related to the United Nations Development Programme

Document: AFB/EFC.28/8, <u>Update on implications of the fiduciary issues related to the</u> <u>United Nations Development Programme</u>

Background: At its thirty-sixth meeting, the Board considered under any other matter the item "Fiduciary issues related to the United Nations Development Programme" and requested the secretariat to (a) to coordinate with the secretariats of the Green Climate Fund and the Global Environment Facility regarding fiduciary issues associated with the

projects implemented by the United Nations Development Programme and (b) provide an update on any implications of the fiduciary issues referred to under subparagraph (a) above for the portfolio of the Adaptation Fund to the EFC at its twenty-eighth meeting. The secretariat will present an update on the above-mentioned issue as contained in document AFB/EFC.28/8.

Action expected: The EFC will be invited to consider and take note of the update report, contained in document AFB/EFC.28/8, and to make a recommendation to the Board for its endorsement.

8. Other matters

EFC members will be invited to discuss any other matters raised during the adoption of the agenda.

9. Adoption of the recommendations and report

10. Closure of the meeting

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

All timetables are (UTC+01:00) Central European Time (Bonn, Germany).

Day 1: 14 October 2021

14:00 – 14:15	1	Opening of the meeting
	2 a)	Adoption of the agenda
	2 b)	Organization of work
14:15 – 14:45	3	Annual performance report for fiscal year 2021
14:45 – 15:15		Reconciliation of the Administrative Budgets of the Board e Secretariat, the Evaluation Function and the Trustee for Year 2021
15:15 – 16:30	5 Group	Report of the Chair of the Technical Evaluation Referencea) Draft evaluation policy of the Adaptation Fundb) Mid-term review of the Medium-term Strategy
16:30 – 17:00	6 Mediur	Management response to the Mid-term Review of the m-term Strategy

Day 2: 15 October 2021

14:00 – 14:10	1	Opening of the meeting
14:10 – 14:40	7 United	Update on implications of the fiduciary issues related to the Nations Development Programme
14:40 – 15:10	4 a)	Financial status of the Trust Fund and CER monetization
15:10 – 15:40	8	Other matters
15:40 – 16:00	9	Adoption of the recommendations and report
	10	Closure of the meeting