
December 3, 2019

Washington, DC

GAFSP Steering Committee Chair

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GAFSP Private Sector Window Donor Committee Chair

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1. A joint meeting of the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP) Steering Committee (SC) and the GAFSP Private Sector Window Director Committee (DC) was convened in Washington, DC, on December 3, 2019. A list of meeting participants is provided in Annex 1. The draft agenda circulated in advance of the meeting was reviewed and adopted and is provided in Annex 2.
2. The co-chairs welcomed new participants to the SC meeting. Representatives from Austria and Norway attended as observers for select sessions. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Chair and Deputy Chair attended the SC meeting for Day 2. A representative of the joint venture formed

amounts projected to be received in coming months. The Trustee clarified that the indicative net funding availability for SC decisions on project allocations at this meeting was US \$115.0 million, factoring in SE administrative fees, future impact evaluations, and a conservative amount for contingencies. The CU indicated that the SE administrative fee association with grants made under the Special Call may be raised given the likelihood of smaller project sizes, and the increased costs of working in contexts of fragility, conflict, and violence (FCV). Based on the ongoing signing process with Germany, a further Euro 10 million was expected to be paid to the Trustee during the week following the SC meeting and was not reflected in the total amount shared. The Trustee clarified that in order to maintain prudent financial management principles, allocations are made only based on funds available (cash and promissory notes) in the trust fund.

14. The Trustee clarified that the WB has developed an approach for Sustainable and Responsible Investment (SRI) that will be applied across all its investment portfolios. This approach to SRI will be through the integration of environmental, social and governance factors in financial and investment analysis in a pragmatic, yet holistic manner to improve the outcomes for the investment portfolio.

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- With respect to the previously approved MMI allocation of US \$16 million set aside by the Trustee, the Steering Committee approved the release of the uncommitted balance of US \$1.6 million back to the GAFSP Trust Fund so that this amount would be available for

to development assistance, and that lessons gathered from the implementation of this Special Ca will enable meaningful learning on what works and what does not in interventions of this nature.

18. Among the challenges and recommendations highlighted were those related to the interpretation and addressing of FCV in the proposals, variations in the current scoring grid, gauging the capacity to implement in challenging settings, addressing risk in high situations, prospects for sustainability in unstable situations, and stakeholder engagement including with the private sector. The compressed timeline for TAC review at present, 30 working days was also noted as a constraint.
19. The TAC responded to a broad range of clarification questions from the SC in terms of the nature and quality of proposals, including how the TAC advised the recommended financing amounts for

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| Afghanistan | South Asia | ADB/FAO | US \$20m | US \$ 15m | Yes |
| Burundi* | Africa | WB/FAO | US\$20m | US\$ 15m | Yes |
| CAR | Africa | AfDB/FAO | US\$18m | US \$ 15.4m | No |
| DRC | Africa | WB/FAO | US\$25.77m | US\$ 15m | No |
| Gambia The* | Africa | AfDB/WFP | US\$21.65m | US\$ 15m | |

Madagascar, Rwanda, Nicaragua and Niger. It also shows how this approach currently works in practice and also some of the related challenges. An overview was provided of the next steps for GAFSP in terms of reviewing proposals, sequencing countries for IFC en

An informal ~~will~~ will cover coordination between the Financial Intermediary Fund and the Private Sector Window. SC members should anticipate outreach and consultation between January and May of 2020. The drafting and consultation process takes place. In June 2020, a final restructuring package will be submitted to the SC for approval, after which the restructured GAFSP 2.0 will become effective once all donors have countersigned the Amended Contribution Agreement.

32. Discussion centered on the selection process and representation on the GAFSP SC by key constituency groups including donors, regional representatives and civil society organizations.

Regional representatives were asked to provide an update on their selection and terms of appointment. Donors shared the outcome of a recent decision to update their representation model to reflect six single donor seats, occupied by the donors with largest cumulative contribution, and two constituency seats, shared by the remaining donors. This new model would be put into effect once a new donor contributes to the Program.

33. With respect to ~~the~~, the CU gave a process update and walked members through proposed definitions of key terms and related monitoring methodology, seeking agreement to: (i) adopt the proposed co-financing/leverage definitions for both GAFSP 1.0 and GAFSP; (ii) adopt the methodology for tracking co-financing in GAFSP projects; and (iii) adopt the proposed policy on co-financing/leverage targets.

While divergent views were expressed as to whether introduction of financing targets for domestic resource mobilization in grant-financed projects would work against broader development objectives (e.g., in limiting access to financing to better off countries able to mobilize financing or skewing targeting of project locations) or conversely

34. The CU presented an overview of key resource mobilization activities in 2019, in addition to upcoming goals for 2020. A Future Advocacy representative updated the SC on 2019 advocacy efforts, outreach to existing and potential new donors, media coverage and the way forward leading to the SDG Days in June 2020 which will include GAFSP replenishment as a central part. Future Advocacy also provided recommendations to SC participants on actions they can take to support GAFSP RM efforts.
35. The Chair provided details on the upcoming SDG Days to be held in Berlin on June 5-10, 2020, focusing on the narrative, objectives, ask, and format of the event. He stressed the importance of a strong alliance amongst all stakeholders to push the agenda forward and that the course of the event will be a significant change. The objective of the SDG Days is to give momentum to the global effort to achieve the SDGs with SDG2 in particular focus. Germany has pledged to replenish the GAFSP with US \$1.5 billion between 2020-2025, however the SC agreed to a specific pledging goal for the specific June event to US \$750 million.
36. The SC discussed the importance of the 7th Day event and the central role that the GAFSP replenishment will play. Several GAFSP donors stated their intention to accompany

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| 1 | Warnken | Heiko | SC Chair, Germany |
| 2 | Krebber | Iris | DC Chair, United Kingdom |
| Donors | | | |
| 3 | Bahalim | Ammad | BMGF |
| 4 | Boehm | Nora | Germany |
| 5 | Chow | Jennifer | USAID |
| 6 | Criado | Lucia | Spain |
| 7 | Johnson | Karen | DfID |
| 8 | Lammers | Mariska | Netherlands |
| 9 | Lynn | Fiona | Australia |
| 10 | Pradhan | Nirupama | US Treasury |
| 11 | Strychacz | Nicholas | US Treasury |
| 12 | Takami | Manabu | Japan |
| 13 | Turner | Emile | Canada |
| 14 | van de Logt | Paul | Netherlands |
| 15 | VanGaal | Corry | Canada |
| 16 | Watkins | Neil | BMGF |
| 17 | Zapaterro | Maria Abad | Spain |
| Regional Representative | | | |
| 18 | Abdul Ghaffar | Jeehan | MENA |
| 19 | Adoum | Djime | Africa |
| 20 | Gerstenmier | Adam | Africa |
| 21 | Imashov | Chorobek | ECA |
| 22 | Martinez | Salome | LAC |
| 23 | Pokharel | Champak | Asia |
| 24 | Singh | Pankaj Pratp | Asia |
| Supervising Entities | | | |
| 25 | Bettink | Willem | IFAD |
| 26 | Boahen | Philip | AfDB |
| 27 | Brown | Donal | IFAD |
| 28 | Fregene | Martin | AfDB |
| 29 | Gouvea | Heleno | IDB |
| 30 | Heinemann | Edward | IFAD |
| 31 | Johm | Ken | AfDB |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Status of Public and Private Sector Window portfolios o Findings of Public Sector Window review of closed projects o Update on Category Four project action plans |
| 11.15am - 11.45am | |
| 11.45am- 1:00pm | <p>3.</p> <p><u>Objective</u> -à-vis replenishment efforts and the Call for Proposals in 2019</p> <p><u>Presentations:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o CSO activities to date and future plans <p><u>Discussion points</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - especially in support of GAFSP replenishment efforts and the Special 2019 Call for Proposals |
| 1.00pm - 1.30pm | <p>4.</p> <p><u>Objective</u> Provide an update on the financial status and funds available for allocation under the Public Sector Window</p> <p><u>Presentation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Financial Status of the Fund (Trustee) <p><u>Documentation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o GAFSP Trustee Financial Report <p><u>Discussion point</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Funds available for allocation to project proposals from the 2019 Call for Proposals |
| 1.30pm- 2.45pm | |
| 2.45pm - 6.00pm (with Tea/Coffee Break) | <p>5.</p> <p><u>Objective</u> Presentation of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) review recommendations on proposals for financing</p> <p><u>Presentation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o TAC proposal review and recommendations (Diana McLean, TAC Chair and Helena Gomez MacPherson, TAC Deputy Chair) <p><u>Documentation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o TAC Report o Country Proposals |

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| | <p><u>Discussion points</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TAC recommendations on submitted proposals ○ Indicative decisions on proposals to be financed |
| <p>Room MC 13121, 1818 H Street, Washington, DC</p> | |
| 8.30am - 9.00am | |
| 9.00am - 10.30am | <p>6.</p> <p><u>Objective</u> Decide on proposals to be financed and amounts to be awarded to each selected proposal</p> <p><u>Documentation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TAC Report ○ Country proposals <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Proposals to be financed b. Amount to be awarded for each proposal c. Responsible Supervising Entity for each grant |
| 10.30am - 11.00am | |
| 11:00am - 12.30pm | <p>7.</p> <p><u>Objective</u> Share lessons learned and recommendations from the most recent review process and the proposal preparation grant process</p> <p><u>Presentation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lessons and recommendations from the TAC process (Diana McLean, TAC Chair and Helena Gordon MacPherson, TAC Deputy Chair) ○ Lessons and recommendations from the Proposal Preparation Grant process (FAO and WFP) <p><u>Documentation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TAC Feedback Report on CfP Process ○ FAO Assistance to Proposal Application Process Terminal Report ○ WFP Assistance to Proposal Preparation Report <p><u>Discussion Points:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lessons and recommendations on the TAC process |

Joint Statement by the Regional Representatives of Africa, Asia, ECA, LAC and MENA

5 December 2019

We would like to thank the GAFSP team for organizing the Steering Committee Meeting. We welcome the constructive and earnest deliberation on the Public and Private Sector Windows and the Missing Middle Initiative.

We take note of the sobering statistic that agriculture is two to four times more effective at reducing poverty than other sectors. In this context, GAFSP continues to play an instrumental and catalytic role in supporting farmers; raising agricultural productivity; improving food security and nutritional intake; addressing climate change; creating jobs and empowering women. We also recognize that the Public and Private sector Windows have successfully delivered in line with their goals and continue to evolve over time to respond to the emerging needs and reflect on the lessons learned from their interventions. We welcome the decision by SBAF to scale up to countries affected by fragility and conflict. Given that Small States are highly vulnerable to the adverse impact of climate change and are disproportionately impacted by exogenous global factors, more attention to supporting these countries are warranted under GAFSP. We also call for focusing more on the complementarity between the public and private sector solutions to maximize development effectiveness and realize the underpinning synergies.

We acknowledge that the GAFSP has been endorsed by G7 and G20 in 2009 to respond to the Global Food Crisis. Considerable multi donor support has been provided to GAFSP since its inception.