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GEF Small Grants Program

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Scope of GEF SGP?

- The SGP is predicated on the idea that community-driven, stakeholder owned, civil society and community led initiatives that generate local as well as global benefits are among the most effective ways to address global environmental challenges
- In effect, SGP operationalizes the maxim “think globally, act locally,” and has, based on its effectiveness at the community-level, become the “public face” of the GEF.
- The SGP supports community-level initiatives across the range of global environmental issues addressed by the GEF, and participation, corporate management, democracy, flexibility, and transparency are cornerstones of the SGP approach.
- The communities targeted by SGP are often the poorest and most vulnerable, and typically have low levels of capacity to adequately address global environmental problems.



How it works?

- The SGP is implemented by UNDP;
- SGP Operational guidelines is guiding document for it's operations and is approved by the Council;
- At the global level the program is managed by Central Management Team (CPMT) and at a country level by a national coordinator and one assistant;
- All projects are approved only at national/subregional level by National Steering Committee composed of representatives from civil society and community based organizations (always in majority) and representatives from government (usually OFP or his/her delegate); (NC serves as secretariat for National Steering Committee);
- The program provides small grants to civil society and community based organizations up to 50K US\$;
- The program is funded by the GEF from it's replenishment agreement (140 mln in GEF-5);
- All countries could allocate certain STAR resources using framework adopted by the Council in 2009;



Results achieved by GEF SGP:

- The program is operational since 1992
- Through its first 18 years, SGP has supported 13,776 community-level projects with over \$300.3 million in funding, leveraging over \$414.2 million in cash and in-kind co-financing.

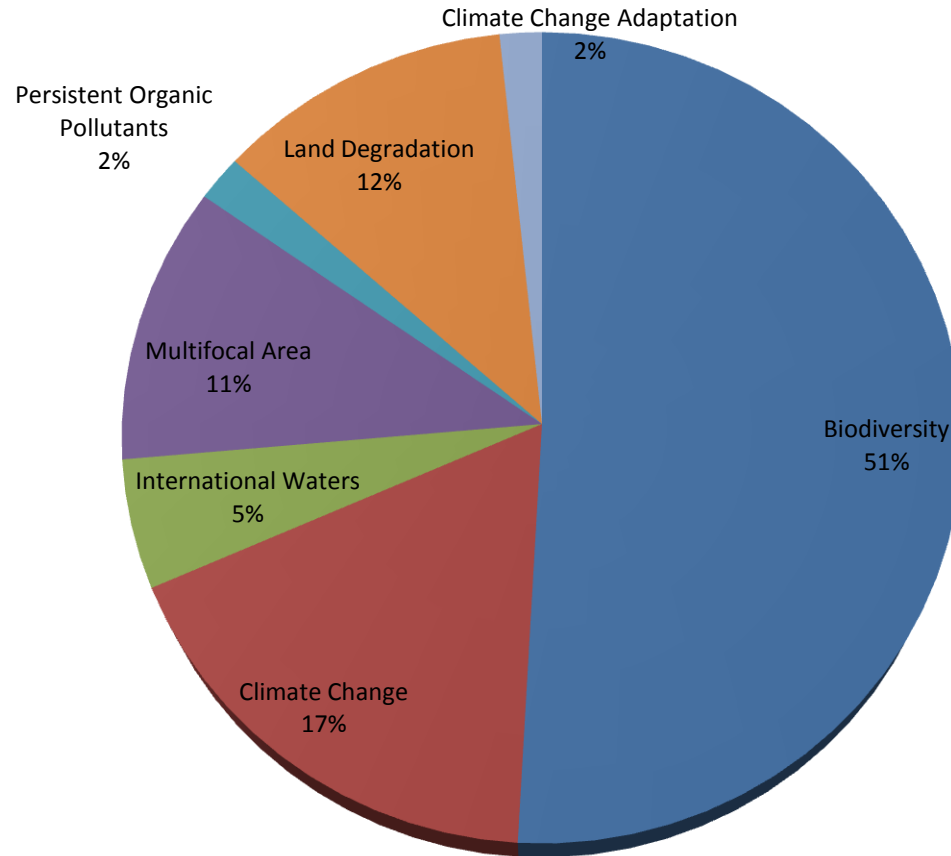


Results achieved by GEF SGP:

Basic Stats	Total Amounts	Average Amounts
Number of Projects	13502	
Total Amount in Grants	322 163 944 USD	23 860 USD
Total Amount of Cash Co-financing	216 382 767 USD	16 026 USD
Total Amount of Kind Co-financing	340 084 832 USD	25 188 USD
Total Amount of Co-financing	556 467 598 USD	41 214 USD

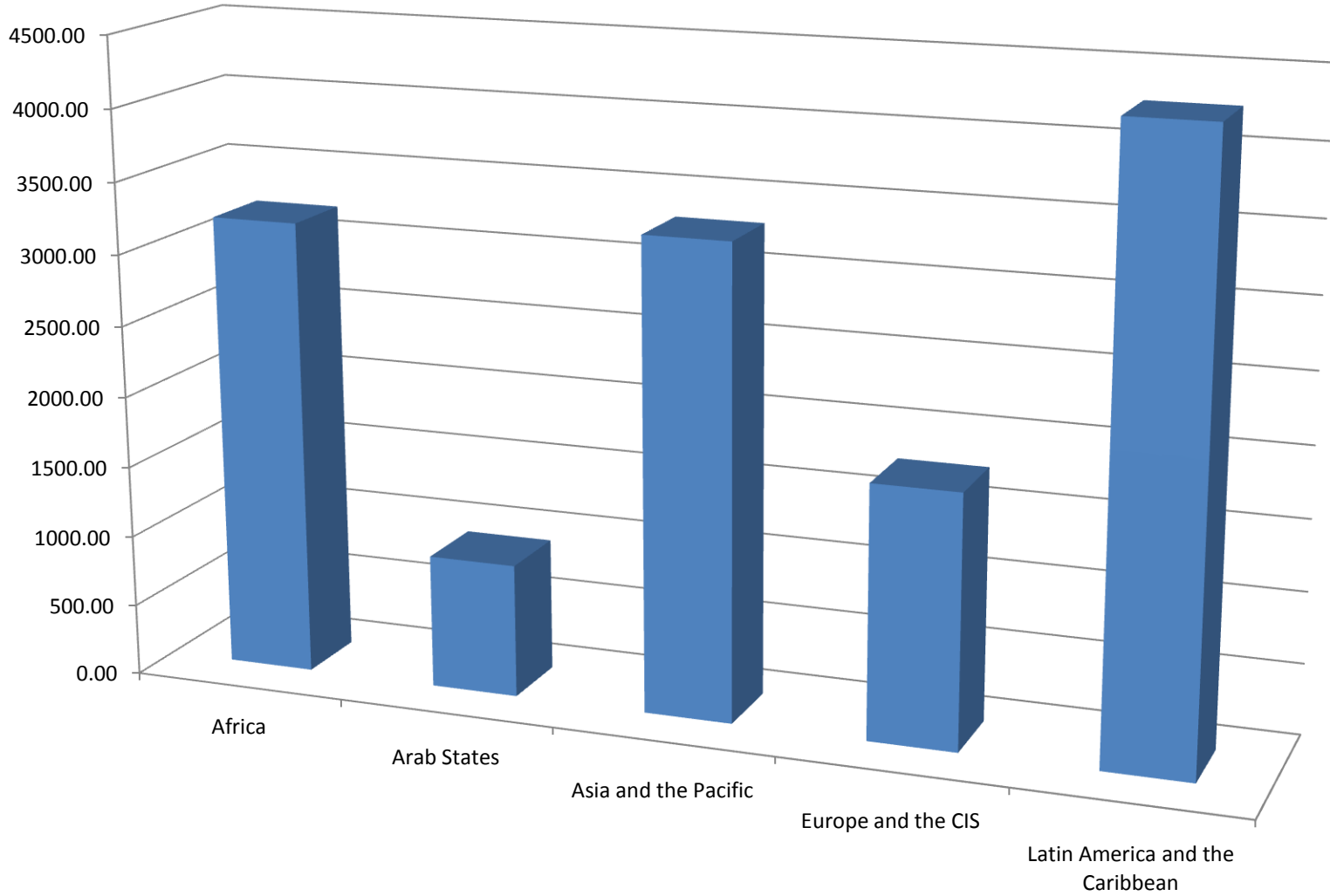


Number of Projects Implemented





Number of Projects by Region





Policy for GEF-5

- **Category I: All SIDS and LDC country programmes and country programmes that have been in operation for fewer than 5 years.**
- **• Category II: All country programmes that have been in operation between 5 and 15 years; the country programmes in this category to be further subdivided into those in operation between 5 and 9 years; 9 and 12 years; and 12 and 15 years; and for equity considerations, including those in operation more than 15 years but with cumulative grants received of less than \$6 million before GEF-5.**
- **• Category III: All country programmes that have been in operation for more than 15 years and have been able to access a cumulative total of more than \$6 million in grants received before GEF-5.**

Financial Framework: core resources

Category I	Amount in US\$/year
SIDS/LDCs	250,000
Sub-regional SIDS Programmes	500,000
First Year Country Programmes	150,000
2-5 Years Old Country Programmes	200,000
Category II	
Category IIa (5-9 years)	150,000
Category IIb (9-12 years)	100,000
Category IIc (12-15 years, and more than 15 years with accumulated grants amount lower than \$6 million)	50,000

Financial Framework: STAR resources

for country programs in Category I and Category II:

- Countries which have an indicative overall STAR country allocation of up to \$15 million, a maximum cumulative amount total of \$2.4 million, with an average of up to \$600,000 per year can be allocated.
- Countries which have an indicative overall STAR country allocation of more than \$15 million will no longer be able to access the SGP's core funding and will need to finance their projects from their STAR allocations. A maximum cumulative amount of up to \$3.6 million, with an average up to \$900,000 per year can be allocated.
- A new country entering the SGP with an indicative STAR country allocation can program a matching amount of STAR funds. For the second year and thereafter, the country will follow the standard guidelines above.



Thank you!

Questions?