

Meeting on GEF-5 and Carbon Finance

Date and Venue

The meeting will take place on November 15th in the conference room H1-200 of the World Bank's H building, 600 19th Street NW, Washington D.C. 20006.

Goal

To exchange information and develop a common understanding of GEF's role in the carbon markets

Objectives

- To take stock of the GEF's engagement in carbon finance
- To explore options under GEF-5 to expand the work with carbon finance
- To develop a common understanding between GEF Secretariat, Agencies, Council and other key stakeholders on the options available under GEF-5.

Proposed agenda

9:00 – 9:15	Opening of the meeting – Meeting facilitator
9:15 – 10:00	Stocktaking of the GEF's engagement in carbon markets
	Introduction – Robert Dixon (Team Leader)
	Case study 1 – GEF and CDM – initiating a revolving fund – India Chillers Energy Efficiency Project – Richard Hosier (World Bank)
	Case study 2 – GEF and CDM – demonstrating a technology and its GHG reduction – UNDP's activities in Central Asia including the Kyrgyzstan Small Hydro Power Project – Marcel Alers (UNDP)
	Case study 3 – GEF and voluntary carbon markets – establishing a voluntary mechanism – Colombia Mechanism for voluntary mitigation of GHG Emissions – Carolina Jaramillo (IDB)
10:00 – 10:45	Status and trends of the carbon markets, issues currently under discussions – Alexandre Kossoy (Senior Financial Specialist at the World Bank Carbon Finance Unit), and Olga Chistyakova (Senior Analyst at Point Carbon).

10:45 – 11:00	Q&A and break
11:00 – 11:15	GEF and Carbon Finance – exploring new options for GEF-5 – Zhihong Zhang (Mitigation Cluster Coordinator)
11:15 – 12:30	Presentations by Agencies – ideas to engage GEF and carbon finance under GEF-5
	Lunch
13:30 – 15:30	Discussion - developing a common understanding on the options to be explored under GEF-5 – based on the ideas presented by the participants during the meeting.
	Moderated by meeting facilitator
	Theme 1 – Building capacity to help create enabling legal and regulatory environment for carbon finance and support to programmatic carbon finance
	Theme 2 – Demonstration of technical and financial viabilities of technologies and co-financing innovative projects
	Theme 3 – Development of partial risk guarantees and contingent financing for carbon finance projects
	Theme 4 – Others
15:30 – 16:00	Q&A and break
16:00 – 17:00	Discussion - developing a common understanding on the attribution of the GHG reductions and CERs/VERs.
	Moderated by meeting facilitator
17:00 – 17:30	Summary and Conclusions