



***7<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting between the Green Climate Fund and the constituted bodies of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change***

***Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt, 11 November, 13:30-15:00 hrs, Venue (TBC by UNFCCC Sec.)***

**CONCEPT NOTE AND AGENDA**

**1. INTRODUCTION**

By decision B.13/11, in line with paragraph 70 of the Governing Instrument for the Green Climate Fund (GCF), annual meetings are held between the GCF and the constituted bodies of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) to enhance cooperation and coherence of engagement.

Annual meetings between the GCF and the constituted bodies of the UNFCCC have been held since 2016 and six meetings took place so far. The topics discussed, included, among others, accelerating the implementation of national adaptation plans (NAPs) and nationally determined contributions (NDCs), enhancing direct access and enabling the private sector in the least developed countries (LDC) and small island developing States (SIDS), and advancing the cooperation in the face of COVID-19. The 6<sup>th</sup> meeting, held virtually on 27 October 2021, was dedicated to discussing on how to further enhance the existing cooperation in the light of the implementation of the Updated Strategic Plan (USP) of the GCF for the period 2020–2023.

This document contains the GCF Board Co-Chairs' proposal for the format, scope, and agenda of the seventh annual meeting for consultation with the Co-Chairs of the constituted bodies of the UNFCCC. The meeting will be organized in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt on 11 November 2022 during and at the venue of the twenty-seventh session of the Conference of the Parties to UNFCCC (COP27).

**2. PURPOSE OF THE SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING**

In accordance with Board decision B.13/11, the primary purpose of the annual meetings is to enhance cooperation and coherence of engagement between the GCF and constituted bodies of the UNFCCC.

The primary objective of the seventh meeting **is to discuss how to further enhance the GCF support to developing countries in meeting the goals of UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement with a focus on the implementation of NDCs, NAPs and Long-term strategies (LTS).**

The discussion will take stock of the implementation of the USP as GCF enters the final year of its first replenishment cycle and focus on how the GCF support for implementation on the ground can be boosted within the ongoing work of the Board on the review and update of the Strategic Plan of GCF for 2024-2027.<sup>1</sup>

The discussion will be informed by the overall priorities for COP27, the ongoing first global stocktake under the Paris Agreement, and priorities in the work plans of different constituted bodies in the context of enhancing cooperation and coherence of engagement with the GCF.

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<sup>1</sup> See Board decision B.32/04 on the timeline and key steps, including the consultation process, available from <https://www.greenclimate.fund/boardroom/meeting/b32#decisions>.

### 3. PARTICIPANTS

The seventh meeting will invite the participation of the Chairpersonship of the constituted bodies, subsidiary bodies, including (vice) Co-Chair(s) of the Standing Committee on Finance (SCF), the Adaptation Committee (AC), the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG), the Technology Executive Committee (TEC), the Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN), the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts (Executive Committee), and the Paris Committee on Capacity-Building (PCCB).

The meeting will be assisted by the GCF's Secretary to the Board/Head of the Office of Governance Affairs. It will also be open to all members of the GCF Board and constituted bodies of the UNFCCC.

### 4. FORMAT AND AGENDA

The meeting will be organized as a 1,5-hour session in a moderated panel discussion format. The tentative agenda of the meeting is as follows:

- a) Opening and welcome remarks by GCF Board Co-Chair, including brief information on the update of USP and the GCF-2 replenishment process (10 min);
- b) A presentation by the GCF Secretariat on the highlights of GCF support for low-emission and climate-resilient development in partner countries, based on the implementation of USP for 2020–2023 (10 min);
- c) Moderated discussion on boosting support to developing countries for the implementation of NDCs, NAPs and LTS and possibilities to enhance cooperation between the GCF and constituted bodies in the context of the ongoing review and update of the GCF Strategic Plan for 2024-2027, with a focus on matters related to adaptation (including support for LDCs) and adaptation finance; Loss and damage; Technology; Capacity building, focusing on two guiding questions (45 min):
  - How could GCF and constituted bodies strengthen cooperation and synergies to enhance support to developing countries in NDC/NAP/LTS implementation and investment planning to achieve paradigm shift and systemic responses?
  - What are the priorities of the constituted bodies in their areas of expertise (adaptation (including support for LDCs), loss and damage; technology; capacity building) and under their workplans that should inform the work of GCF and enhance cooperation and coherence of engagement?
- d) Questions and answers session among participants (20 min), *and*;
- e) Closing remarks by GCF Board Co-Chair, including next steps (5 min).

### 5. LOGISTICS

The 7<sup>th</sup> annual meeting will take place on 11 November from 13:30 to 15:00 hrs. in Blue zone of the COP27 venue (exact location TBA).