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**How Can We Get It Done?**

**Working as Partners at the Country-Level**

**June 25, 2011; 10:30am-1:30pm**

**A G E N D A**

**10:30-10:40am: Introduction**

The moderator, ***Stefan******Raubenheimer****, Executive Director, SouthSouthNorth Trust, South Africa,*will introduce the participants to the need to set up a delivery mechanism for climate finance at the CIF pilot country level. The introduction will also provide information on opportunities and challenges in creating partnerships that build on the use of comparative advantages to meet identified climate-related country needs.

**10:40-10:50am: Mexico’s CTF Investment Plan**

***Claudia Grayeb****, Ministry of Finance and Public Credit, Mexico*

This session will introduce the participants to the CTF investment plan developed by the Government of Mexico in support of its national climate strategy and national development goals. The presentation will share experience on creating a partnership with various stakeholders in support of the implementation of the investment plan.

**10:50-11:15am: Panel discussion and interaction with the audience**

A panel comprised of representatives from different stakeholder groups will debate the issue of a “common delivery platform” in CIF pilot countries. The moderator will seek feedback and input from the audience to feed into the panel discussion.

***Panelists:***

* ***Ilhomjon Rajabov****, PPCR Sub-Committee Member and Head of the Climate Change Center, Tajikistan*
* ***Bente Weisser****, SREP Sub-Committee Member and Senior Advisor in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway*
* ***Agostinho Zacarias****, UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for South Africa, UNDP*
* ***Guy Patrice Dkamela****, Forests and Climate Change Facilitator, Network for the Environment and Sustainable Development in Central Africa (NESDA-CA), Cameroon*
* *To be confirmed, representative, African Development Bank*

**11:15am-12:30pm: Pragmatic Steps to Engage Civil Society Organizations in CIF Operations**

*To be confirmed, CSO representatives of the Consultative Advisory Group*

The aim of this session is to explore how key civil society’s organizations, platforms and networks could support the implementation of CIF investment plans in varying national contexts involving different actors and institutions. The session will seek to identify relevant CSOs, and strategies to get them involved in key project cycle stages including design, implementation, monitoring, and reviews. Practical and innovative measures such as (1) developing opportunities for increase their technical capacities for meaningful participation, (2) developing common communication platforms and networks to facilitate interactions and inputs, and (3) establishing clear rules and modalities of engagement for project and strategy consultation and monitoring will be discussed. The session will include a combination of plenary and sub-group discussions to encourage wider participation.

**12:30-1:15pm: Climate Registry as a “Common Delivery Platform” – Presentation and discussion**

***David Reed****, Convener, Technical Working Group on the Institutional Architecture for Climate Finance*

This session will present the climate registry as delivery mechanism that aims at the harmonization of financial and technical resources at the country level to effectively and efficiently address the challenges associated with climate change. The moderator will then engage the audience in a discussion on how this approach might be operationalized in CIF pilot countries.

**1:15-1:30pm - Session summary and key messages**

The moderator will summarize the session and identify key issues to be presented to the participants of the 2011 CIF Partnership Forum.

**S E S S I O N B A C K G R O U N D**

**Objectives**

This session will provide an opportunity for stakeholders to discuss the challenges and opportunities for collaboration in the CIF among multiple delivery partners at the country level. They will also have the opportunity to brainstorm and suggest pragmatic steps to “crowd in” other stakeholders interested in supporting the implementation of countries’ national climate-related programs and plans, including ways to engage civil society organizations in CIF operations. Finally, they will learn about collaborative platforms for effective and efficient delivery of climate finance and technical resources to developing countries and their applications to the CIF.

**Background**

The 2005 Paris Declaration and Accra Agenda for Aid Effectiveness promote harmonizing, aligning and managing aid for results with a set of monitorable actions and indicators. This effort has gained a new sense of urgency in the context of the ongoing debate on how to deliver effective and efficient climate finance and technical support to developing countries and countries with economies in transition.

During the design of the Climate Investment Funds (CIF), the importance of working with other development partners and the private sector to contribute to the scaling-up of CIF programs was fully recognized. For all programs under the CIF, it was agreed that bi- and multilateral development agencies, banks, private sector companies and other interested stakeholders were to be encouraged to contribute to the achievement of the objectives of the CIF through projects or co-financing of projects funded by the Trust Funds. As the CIF has entered its implementation stage, it now faces the challenge to actually engage interested stakeholders and leverage technical capacities and additional finance to initiate transformational changes in sectors affecting or being affected by climate change.

Over the past few years, several institutions and groups have designed and debated approaches to operationalize a “common delivery platform” at the country level. The core principle of these proposals is that funding sources and technical expertise should be matched with the mitigation and adaptation needs identified by developing countries. Early experiences and lessons from the CIF may be able to help inform this debate.