

Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund

Thirteenth Meeting of the Donor Council
World Bank Headquarters, Washington, DC
21 April 2008
1 p.m. – 3 p.m. EST

Follow-up to Decisions Taken at the Twelfth Meeting of the Donor Council

List of Follow-up Actions from the Twelfth Meeting:

1. The Secretariat will update the title of the table outlining the respective roles of the Donor Council and Conservation International in fiduciary management to exclude the Working Group as it does not have a role in fiduciary management.
The fiduciary management table was updated and distributed to Council members together with the draft minutes of the Twelfth Meeting on 4 January 2008.
2. The Council requested that the Executive Director canvas Council members on chairmanship and report back with a proposal, a decision for which could be made through a conference call or on a no-objection approval.
The Executive Director will present a proposal based on the canvassing of individual Donor Council members in advance of the meeting (see Agenda Item 6).
3. Regarding the Donor Council's approval of Regional Implementation Teams:
 - a. The Secretariat will finalize the work plan and budget together with BirdLife as the Regional Implementation Team for Indochina, with a particular emphasis on developing a strategic approach to address the coverage of the Regional Implementation Team in Thailand and the southern part of China as the proposal focuses on only three of the five countries covered by the ecosystem profile due to the resources available.
The Secretariat is finalizing the work plan and budget together with BirdLife. Contracting is expected in April.
 - b. The Secretariat and Working Group will review the revised application from Conservation International (CI) as the Regional Implementation Team for the Polynesia-Micronesia Hotspot. Once a revised proposal is accepted, the Secretariat shall work together with CI to finalize the work plan and budget.
The Secretariat anticipates receiving a revised application from Conservation International's Pacific Islands Program in late March. The Working Group will be consulted after the proposal is received and analyzed.
 - c. The Secretariat will finalize the work plan and budget together with Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE) as the Regional Implementation Team for the Western Ghats, with particular emphasis on reviewing the proposed Steering Committee structure.
The Secretariat is finalizing the work plan and budget together with ATREE. Contracting is expected in April.
4. The Secretariat will assess the overall strategic approach for selection of Regional Implementation Teams with the Working Group, including whether lessons could be learned

from other partnerships with a similar goal and also whether collaboration could be scaled up with others such as the GEF Small Grants Program.

This assessment will be undertaken at a later date as selection of additional Regional Implementation Teams will not take place until after the profiling process is completed for new regions.

5. The Working Group will include a statement on the overall process in future recommendations to the Council for selection of Regional Implementation Teams.
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6. The Secretariat will develop a short briefing for discussion on potential terms and conditions for engaging major private sector entities in the partnership.
The Secretariat has developed this briefing for discussion (see Agenda Item 8).
7. The Secretariat will consider and discuss with Japan potential opportunities to increase awareness of biodiversity conservation and CEPF in Japan.
The Secretariat is considering potential opportunities to increase awareness of biodiversity conservation and CEPF in Japan. Discussions will be proposed to take place in the near future.