

**Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund  
38<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the CEPF Donor Council  
Virtual Meeting  
26 May 2021  
8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST)**

**Action Points Review**

Executive Director's Report/Partnership Highlights:

- Action Item: Executive Director to talk to the GEF Secretariat on how to present CEPF in the context of the GEF.
  - Olivier Langrand has been communicating with Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, CEO, GEF, to discuss the potential of CEPF as a possible delivery mechanism for the the GEF Small Grants Programme. More information to be shared during the DC-38 Executive Report.
  - The CEPF Secretariat has been in discussion with the GEF Secretariat, AFD and the EU to explore the possibility to access either the total or a part of the US\$10 million of the GEF-7 Star Allocation of Brazil for another phase of CEPF investment in the Cerrado Biodiversity Hotspot.

Executive Director's Report/Q1 Approved Grants:

- Action Item: Olivier Langrand will talk to the EU about how to engage in future funding discussions under their new regional structure.
  - The CEPF Secretariat is in ongoing conversations with the EU and AFD Working Group members for financial guidance in the Cerrado, Tropical Andes and Guinean Forest of West Africa hotspots. This action item will be discussed further during the DC-38 Executive Report.

Results of the Survey on the Impact of COVID-19 on CEPF's 338 Active Grants:

- Action Item: Prepare a written summary for donors on the COVID-19 survey.

- This summary report will be shared with the Donor Council by the time the Donor Council meeting is held.

Recommendations of Wavestone on the Simplification of CEPF Administrative and Financial Procedures:

- Action Item: Donor Council members to send out any comments/questions they may have on the Wavestone report.
  - Action items related to the implementation of the Wavestone report will be presented during the DC-38 Executive Report.