

## Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund

Fourth Meeting of the Donor Council  
World Bank Headquarters, Washington, DC  
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### Report on Decisions Taken at the Third Meeting of the CEPF Donor Council

*List of Follow up Actions:*

1. The CEPF Donor Partners will visit with several potential CEPF partners over the next few months. The CEPF Management Team will prepare any required initial letters/concept papers for these meetings.

*Status: Conservative progress has been made with a number of possible CEPF partners. A full summary of this progress is included in the revised fund raising strategy.*

2. Finalize the letter inducting the Government of Japan into the CEPF Donor Council.

*Status: During the last CEPF Council Meeting, a document was signed, formalizing the legal agreement between the Government of Japan and the World Bank. Since the 12 June 2002 Donor Council Meeting, the CEPF Financing Agreement has been revised to reflect any outstanding operational changes and to reflect the inclusion of Japan. Subsequently, a Grant Agreement between CI and the World Bank formalizing Japan's commitment to the CEPF is in the process of being formalized.*

3. The draft minutes from the 12 June 2002 Donor Council Meeting will be circulated within two weeks of the Council Meeting for comment.

*Status: The draft minutes from the 12 June 2002 Donor Council Meeting were circulated to members of the CEPF Working Group for review and comment 16 working days after the Council. Suggestions and modifications from each of the Donor partners were incorporated into the version submitted to the Council for adoption. CEPF suggests that the timeframe for circulating the minutes be extended to three weeks.*

4. The CEPF Executive Director will brief the MacArthur Foundation on the status of developing outcomes for the current CEPF grant regions. The CEPF Management Team discussed outcomes in great detail during the October Working Group Meeting and provided both a power point presentation and a compilation of the outcomes during the Working Group Meeting.

*Status: Following the Council Meeting, the MacArthur Foundation suggested that the integration of Outcomes be discussed in a Working Group forum rather than on a bilateral basis. Upon this recommendation, the CEPF Working Group discussed progress towards integrating outcomes into the current 10 CEPF Grant regions. The CEPF Executive Director gave a power point presentation and a compilation of the Outcomes was distributed to each working group member. Two important points that arose from this discussion included an acknowledgement that delivering the outcomes is not the sole responsibility of the CEPF investment but a concerted effort by various donors and stakeholders and a second point that achieving consistency in the Outcome-Maps is not feasible.*

5. CEPF will schedule bilateral meetings with the Donor Partners to solicit additional feedback on the content of the Annual Report.

*Status: The CEPF Communications Director requested input from the members of the working group on a draft outline and then on a final draft of the Annual Report. Comments received by the working group were incorporated into the revised version that was printed in December or addressed by the Communications Director.*

6. The CEPF Management Team will circulate a brief summary of the rationale for the regional prioritization for CEPF investment.

*Status: The rationale for the regional prioritization was circulated, together with any revised versions of the Donor Council Documents on August 6, 2002.*

7. The CEPF Management Team will prepare supporting documentation to aid the Donor Council Members in implementing the Fund Raising Strategy.

*Status: Supporting documentation has been provided, as necessary to support CEPF Fund Raising efforts.*

8. The CEPF Management Team will consult with the other Donor Partners about the feasibility of Japan's contribution to the CEPF counting towards a WSSD/Type 2 partnership.

*Status: The CEPF Management Team consulted with a representative of each of the Donor Partners to determine any sensitivities related to formalizing the CEPF as a Type 2 partnership. The conclusion from this consultation was a consensus that the commitment from Japan to the CEPF would apply towards this mechanism. Since then, the United Nations has accepted the commitment from Japan as a Type 2 partnership. This agreement was also highlighted during the World Summit on Sustainable Development held in Johannesburg and during the GEF General Assembly Meeting held in Beijing.*

9. CEPF will continue negotiations to seek GEF Focal Point Endorsement for the Mountains of Southwest China Ecosystem Profile.

*Status: The GEF Focal Point Endorsement for the Mountains of Southwest China Ecosystem Profile was signed by Jinlin Yang on November 20, 2002.*