

# Project Development for GEF 6; BD-2; Program 4: Prevention, Control and Management of Invasive Alien Species



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**Invasive Alien Species**  
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# Summary of the GEF-6 Biodiversity Strategy and Funding

- (i) GEF-6 Biodiversity Programming Target is USD **1,296** mn. (an increase over GEF-5 making the biodiversity focal area the largest in the GEF);
- (ii) STAR Country Biodiversity Allocation is \$**1,051** mn. - base allocation in STAR is now \$**6** mn. (\$ **2** mn. BD); national allocations by June 31<sup>st</sup> 2014;
- (iii) STAR Focal Area Set-Aside is \$**245** mn., comprising:
  - \$**13** mn. for Convention Obligations – i.e. 6NR;
  - \$**82** mn. for Global and Regional Programs;
  - \$**45** mn. for Integrated Approach Programs (\$**35** mn. for Taking Deforestation out of the Commodities Supply Chain; and \$**10** mn. for Fostering Sustainability and Resilience of Production Systems in Africa);
  - \$**37** mn. for Other Global and Regional Programs; and
  - \$**150** mn. for Sustainable Forest Management.



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The GEF-6 Biodiversity Focal Area Strategy comprises **4 major objectives**:

1. **Improve sustainability of protected area systems;**
2. **Reduce threats to globally significant biodiversity;**
3. **Sustainably use of biodiversity; and**
4. **Mainstream biodiversity conservation and sustainable use into production landscapes and seascapes and production sectors.**

These four objectives are divided into 10 **programs** .....



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- “The strategy prioritizes the three principal direct drivers – habitat loss, overexploitation, and **invasive alien species**” (para 8);
- “ample opportunity exists for the inclusion of pertinent GEF-eligible activities, as **prioritized** in the country’s revised National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plans (**NBSAPs**)” (para 12);
- “Consistent with past practice and the GEF project review criteria, projects submitted for funding in GEF-6 will have to demonstrate that the thematic areas addressed within the project have been **prioritized within the NBSAP** and are **appropriately aligned with the Strategic Plan and the Aichi Targets.**” (para 21)

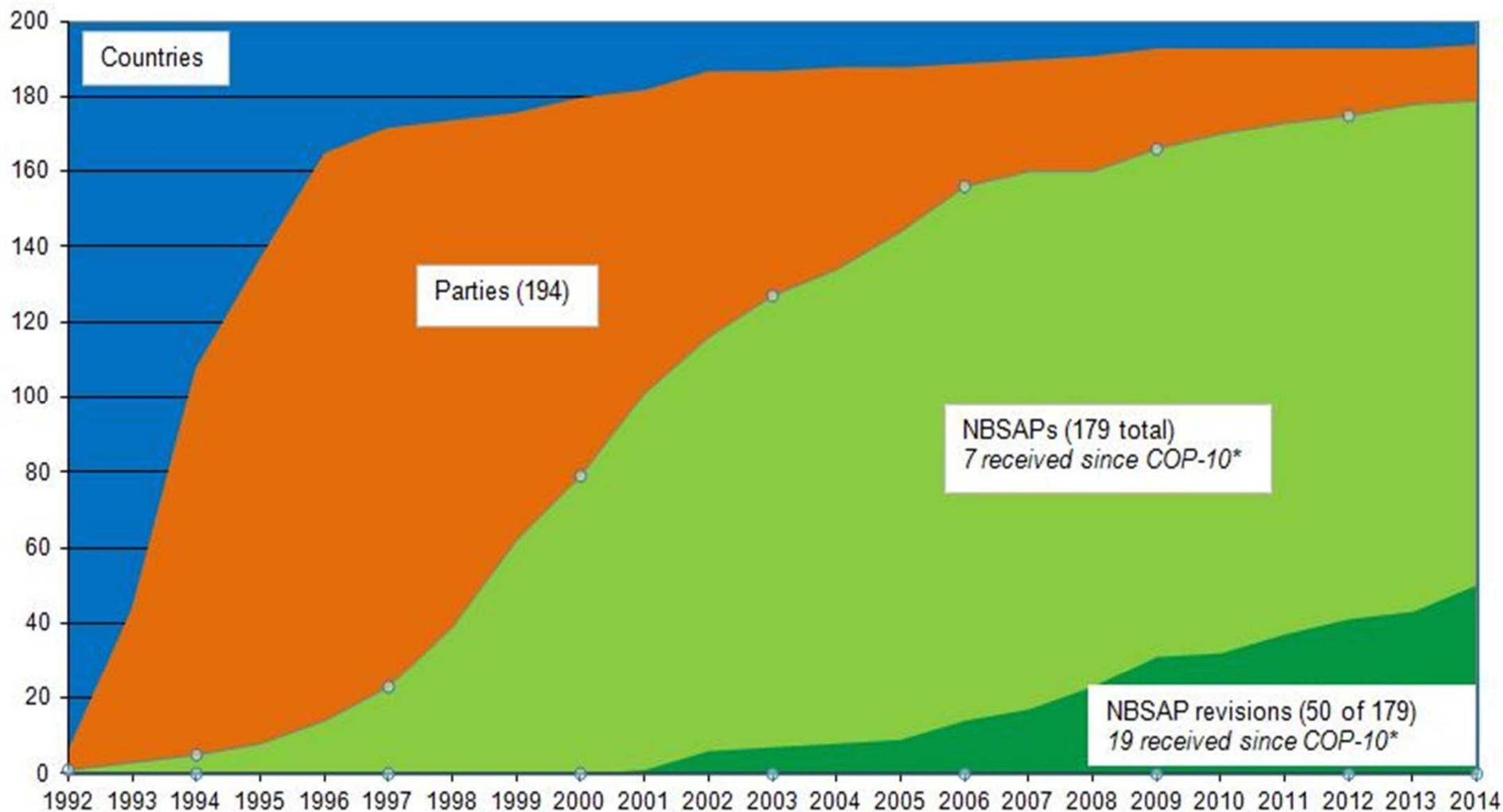


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## Status of NBSAPs (2 June 2014)

Further details at: <http://www.cbd.int/doc/nbsap/nbsap-status.doc>



\* First NBSAPs and NBSAP revisions received since COP-10 (total 26) vary widely in terms of compliance with decision X/2. View these latest NBSAPs at: <http://www.cbd.int/nbsap/about/latest/>

# Post-CoP10 NBSAP Revisions

Italy, Belarus, Australia\*, Serbia, Venezuela, European Union, France, United Kingdom, Ireland, Spain, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, **Timor-Leste**, Switzerland, **Dominican Republic**, Colombia, Myanmar, Malta, Japan, Suriname, Finland, Guatemala, El Salvador, Belgium; **Tuvalu**, **Dominica**, Cameroon, Estonia

Source: <https://www.cbd.int/nbsap/about/latest/>

RED = claims to be In line with Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020

\* In line with late draft Strategic Plan

As of May 2014



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These four objectives are divided into 10 programs ..... the amount invested in each program will be determined by how countries prioritize each in the use of their national STAR allocations;

Objective 1. Improve sustainability of protected area systems;

- **Program 1: Improving Financial Sustainability and Effective Management of the National Ecological Infrastructure;**
- **Program 2: Nature's Last Stand: Expanding the Reach of the Global Protected Area Estate**



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Objective 2. Reduce threats to globally significant biodiversity;

- **Program 3: Preventing the Extinction of Known Threatened Species;**
- **Program 4: Prevention, Control and Management of Invasive Alien Species; and**
- **Program 5: Implementing the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (CPB)**



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Objective 4. Mainstream biodiversity conservation and sustainable use into production landscapes and seascapes and production sectors

- **Program 9: Managing the Human-Biodiversity Interface ;**
- **Program 10 : Integration of Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services into Development & Finance Planning.**



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## Program 4: Prevention, Control and Management of Invasive Alien Species

- is the **primary** opportunity for IAS projects in GEF-6;
- “GEF will support the implementation of **comprehensive prevention, early detection, control and management frameworks** that emphasize a **risk management** approach by focusing on the **highest risk invasion pathways.**” (para 51)
- “**Targeted eradication** will be supported in specific circumstances where proven, low-cost, and effective eradication would result in the extermination of the IAS **and** the **survival of globally significant species and/or ecosystems.**” (para 51)



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# STAR v. Program

1. Under the STAR, most SIDS are in the Group, with the base allocation in GEF-6 of \$2 mn. for Biodiversity, increased from \$1.5 mn.
2. **Cape Verde, Cuba, Fiji, Jamaica, Seychelles,** and [Sri Lanka] have individual allocation based on the Global Benefits Index ( $GBI_{bio}$ )
3. Each Program has a provisional funding envelope, but in reality the amount allocated to each is determined by country demand; projects are approved on a first-come first-served basis until resources are fully utilized.



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# GEF Project Cycle Changes in GEF-6

1. STAR aggregate floor increased to \$6 million (\$3 million in the climate change focal area; \$2 million in the biodiversity focal area; and \$1 million in the land degradation focal area).
2. Marginal adjustment simplified
3. MSP ceiling – now \$2 million
4. Countries are expected to present project concepts to the full value of their focal area allocations (or full value of the total country envelope for “flexible” countries) by December, 31, 2017.



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# GEF Project Cycle Changes in GEF-6

1. Co-finance ratio for the entire GEF portfolio is set at 6:1 and will vary from project to project and focal areas (but can include both in-kind & cash). Ratio will be defined through the incremental reasoning principle.
2. STAR country allocations to be published by 30 June 2014
3. PPG now included in PIF template.
4. PIF and 1-step MSP templates at:  
[http://www.thegef.org/gef/guidelines\\_templates](http://www.thegef.org/gef/guidelines_templates)



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# GEF Project Cycle

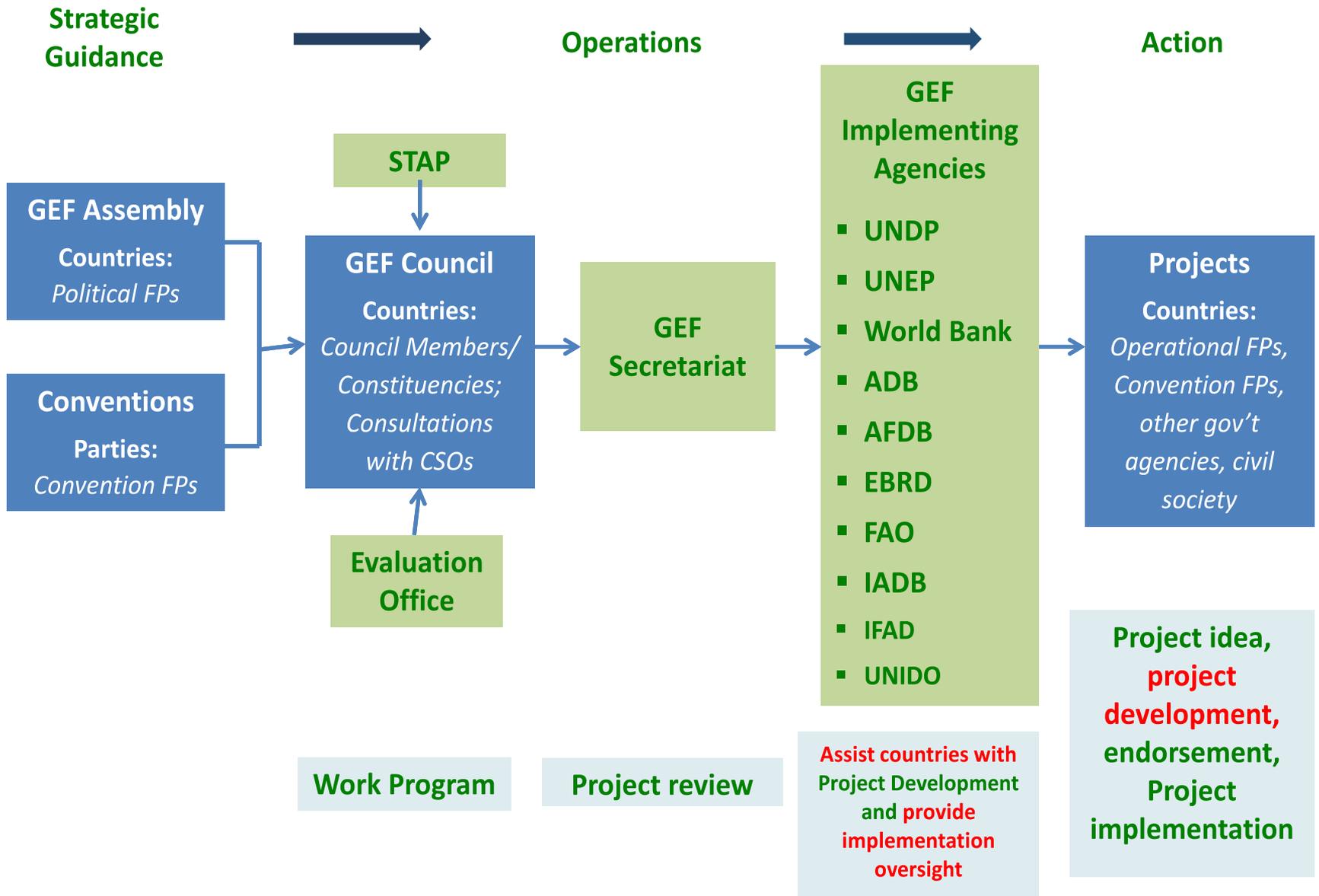


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# GEF Institutional Framework



# From the project idea to the endorsement/approval request

- Project idea – Countries – National Portfolio Formulation Exercise (NPFE) (optional)
- Project Concept – Agencies – PIF & PPG (templates)
- GEF Sec PIF & PPG review, work program inclusion and Council approval
- Project Preparation – National agencies, partners and GEF agencies
- Project document – Agencies – FSP or MSP (EA) (templates)
- GEF Sec review, revision, resubmission, CEO t/approval and Council information.



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# Features of the GEF-6 project cycle

- PIF submitted on a rolling basis;
- 18 months preparation for FSP: begins from date of Council approval of the work program till CEO endorsement of the final project document;
- 12 months preparation for MSP: applies only to those MSPs that requested PPG; begins from date of PIF approval by CEO to approval of final project document by CEO;
- Program Framework Document (PFD) for Programmatic Approaches (PA) can be submitted only for Council meetings, scheduled twice a year (May and November)



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# GEF Project Cycle Steps (1)

## Main steps for Full-sized Projects (FSP):

### Council/Secretariat:

- Council approval of the work program, consisting of PIFs cleared by the CEO;
- CEO endorsement of the final project document.

### GEF Agency:

- Approval of the project by the GEF Agency and implementation start;
- Completion of implementation, mid-term and terminal evaluation and financial closure.



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# GEF Project Cycle Steps (2)

## Main steps For Medium-sized Projects (MSP):

### Single-step approval:

- CEO approval of final MSP document;
- Agency' s own internal approval and implementation starts.

### Two-step step approval:

- If PPG requested, submit PIF for CEO approval;
- CEO approval of final project document;
- Agency' s own internal approval and implementation starts.



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# Medium-Sized Projects



**\* Agency approves MSP after CEO approval of the project and starts implementation.**



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# Review Criteria for FSP/MSP

- Country eligibility and ownership
- Global Environment Benefits
- GEF Focal area strategy
- Agency' s Comparative advantage
- Resource availability
- Project consistency
- Project design
- Project financing and co-financing (baseline)
- Monitoring and evaluation; and
- Agency' s responses to comments and reviews.



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# Country Endorsement (by National Operational Focal Point)

- All PIFs should have OFP endorsement when submitting to GEF for PIF clearance (in case of FSPs) or approval (in case of MSPs requesting a PPG)
- Projects in biodiversity, climate change and land degradation focal areas follow STAR rules



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# Programmatic Approaches

**Two Types of programmatic approaches, depending on the type of GEF Agency submitting the program:**

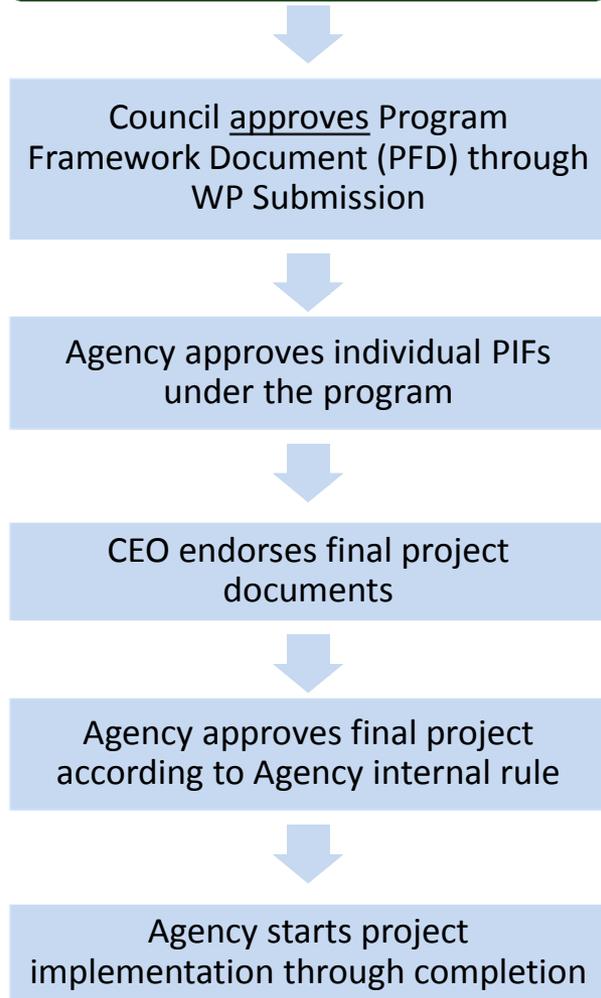
- Agencies with Board approving projects - those GEF Agencies meeting the criteria for delegated approval authority;
- Agencies without Board approving projects - those GEF Agencies not meeting the criteria, such programs can be submitted by a Program Coordination Agency (PCA).



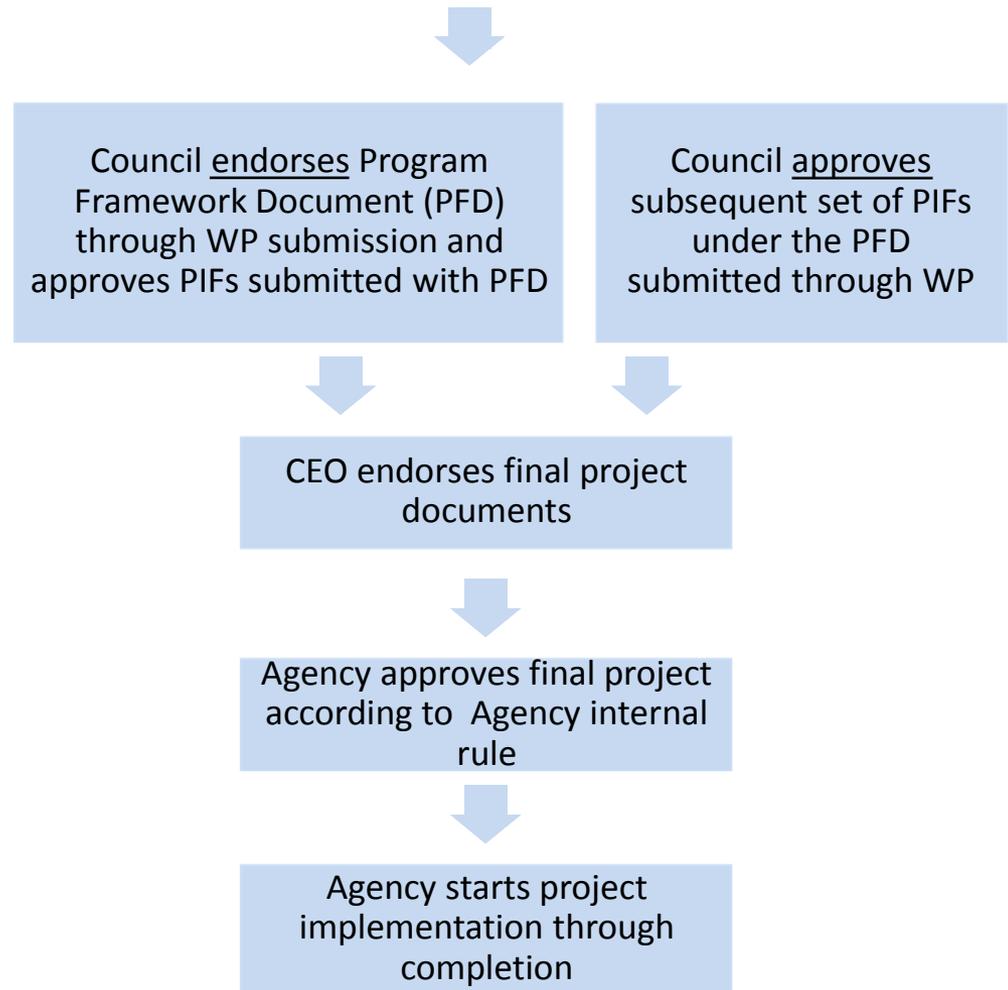
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## Programs Accessible to GEF Agencies with a Board



## Programs Accessible to all GEF Agencies



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