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NOTIFICATION

Independent mid-term review of the GEF Resource Allocation Framework (RAF)

Madam/Sir,

As you may be aware, at its 32nd meeting in November 2007, the Council of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) requested the GEF Evaluation Office to undertake an independent mid-term review of the GEF Resource Allocation Framework (RAF). The findings of the Review will be presented to the GEF Council at its November 2008 meeting.

At its fourth meeting held in May 2008 in Bonn, the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (COP-MOP), in decision BS-IV/5, welcomed the commissioning of the mid-term review of the RAF. In paragraph 4(a) of that decision, the COP-MOP urged the GEF Evaluation Office to assess the impact of the RAF on the implementation of the Protocol, and proposed measures that can minimize potential resource limitations that may affect the implementation of the Protocol including measures that facilitate consideration of regional and subregional projects developed by the countries of the region.

The GEF Evaluation Office is currently conducting a survey as part of the mid-term review of the RAF. I am pleased to forward to you herewith a message from the GEF which contains a link to the survey (http://www.surveymk.com/s.aspx?sm=aEMrnMQ2Q38exsvL_2fuE0vg_3d_3d) which can be completed online. Alternatively, you can complete the attached PDF or MS-Word version of the survey and return it, as an e-mail attachment, directly to: RAFEvaluation@thegef.org.

I wish to invite you to actively participate in the survey and provide feedback on your experience with the RAF and your views on how it could be improved in order to enable the GEF to more effectively support the implementation of the Protocol. **The deadline for completing and submitting the survey is Friday, 29 August 2008.** In your response, please clearly indicate if you are a Cartagena Protocol focal point or a BCH focal point.

Further information about the Mid-Term Review is available at:
<http://www.thegef.org/gefevaluation.aspx?id=18472>

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Ahmed Djoghlaif
Executive Secretary

Enclosures

To: Cartagena Protocol National Focal Points
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Subject: GEF Stakeholder Survey on the RAF- Message on behalf of the GEF Evaluation Office

Dear Colleague:

The GEF Evaluation Office would like to ask for your assistance in identifying ways to improve GEF operations and procedures. We invite you to participate in a short survey to provide feedback on your experience with the GEF's Resource Allocation Framework (RAF).

In response to a request from the GEF Council, the GEF Evaluation Office is undertaking a Mid-Term Review of the RAF. The aim of this exercise is to evaluate the degree to which GEF resources under the RAF have been allocated to countries in a transparent and cost effective manner, based on global environmental benefits and country performance.

Results of this survey will form part of the overall Review, which uses a wide variety of information sources. Findings of the Review will be presented to the GEF Council in November 2008 and published by the GEF Evaluation Office.

The survey should take between 5 and 15 minutes. All responses will be confidential.

To access the survey, please click on the link below. If you are not able to click on the link, please copy and paste the link into your web browser.

http://www.surveymk.com//s.aspx?sm=aEMrnMQ2Q38exsvL_2fuE0vg_3d_3d

If you have any questions regarding this survey or the Mid-Term Review, please contact the Review team at rafevaluation@thegef.org.

Many GEF stakeholders are being asked to contribute their viewpoints for the Mid-Term Review; the Review Team extends its apology for any cross-postings.

Thank you for taking the time to participate in this important exercise.

Warm regards,

The GEF Evaluation Office

Mid-Term Review of the GEF RAF- Convention National Focal Points--

1. INTRODUCTION

This survey is part of a larger effort by GEF/EO to conduct a Mid-Term Review of the GEF Resource Allocation Framework. We would be grateful for about 15 minutes of your time to obtain information on your perceptions and experience regarding the RAF. As you respond to the questions, if needed you may go back to previous pages in the survey to update your responses. After you have finished, you will not be able to re-enter the survey.

For further information about the RAF Mid-Term Review, please see the MTR web page at <http://www.thegef.org/gefevaluation.aspx#id=18472> .

All responses will be treated as CONFIDENTIAL: Any personal identification information will be used for analysis purposes only; your responses will be grouped along with those from others and not associated with you in our reporting.

If you have any questions regarding this survey or the MTR, please contact the Review team at rafevaluation@thegef.org .

2. KNOWLEDGE OF THE RAF

1. Have you had experience or involvement with the GEF Resource Allocation Framework (RAF)? (Select one)

Yes (Please proceed to the next question)

No (Please note that this survey is intended only for those with experience with the Resource Allocation Framework.)

3. RAF IMPLEMENTATION

2. How has the RAF affected your country's capacity to meet requirements of the Convention?

- Very negatively
- Somewhat negatively
- Neither negatively nor positively
- Somewhat positively
- Very positively
- Don't Know/Not Sure

Please use the space below to explain or give details about any especially positive or negative effects you have identified.

3. How have requirements of the Convention influenced your country's capacity to implement the RAF?

- Very negatively
- Somewhat negatively
- Neither negatively nor positively
- Somewhat positively
- Very positively
- Don't Know/Not Sure

Please use the space below to explain or give details about any especially positive or negative effects you have identified.

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4. How has the RAF affected parties' fulfillment of their obligations under the Convention?

Very negatively

Somewhat negatively

Neither negatively nor positively

Somewhat positively

Very positively

Don't Know/Not Sure

Please use the space below to explain or give details about any especially positive or negative effects you have identified.

5. How successful has the RAF been in... (Select one option per row)

| | Very Unsuccessful | Moderately Unsuccessful | Moderately Successful | Very Successful | Don't Know/Not Sure |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Making its "rules of the game" available to GEF stakeholders in a transparent way? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Rewarding countries based on performance in their biodiversity portfolios? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Rewarding countries based on performance in their climate change portfolios? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Potentially increasing achievement of global environment benefits through GEF funding? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Encouraging global and regional projects? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Encouraging programmatic approaches? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Promoting projects and | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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| outcomes of relevance to country interests | | | | | |
| Supporting public involvement/ participation? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Increasing donor harmonization at the country level? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Promoting catalytic effects? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Leveraging financing? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Please use the space below to provide additional comments on your responses.

6. For each of the stages of the project cycle given below, please indicate the extent to which participating country governments are more or less engaged under the RAF as compared with before the RAF was implemented in 2007: (Check one for each row)

| | Much Less Engaged under RAF | Somewhat Less Engaged | Somewhat More Engaged | Much More Engaged | Don't Know/Not Sure |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Project identification | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Consultations with country stakeholders | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Review by GEF | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Implementing or Executing Agencies | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Review by GEF Secretariat | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| CEO endorsement/approval | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Project start-up | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Implementation/ supervision | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

7. Please indicate your assessment of GEF project submission, review and approval BEFORE initiation of the RAF on the following factors: (Check one for each row)

| | Very Poor | Somewhat Poor | Somewhat Good | Very Good | Don't Know/Not Sure |
|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Transparency | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Simplicity | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Efficiency | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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8. Please indicate your assessment of GEF project submission, review and approval AFTER initiation of the RAF on the following factors: (Check one for each row)

| | Very Poor | Somewhat Poor | Somewhat Good | Very Good | Don't Know/Not Sure |
|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Transparency | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Simplicity | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Efficiency | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

9. Please indicate your viewpoint concerning whether the following factors have helped or hindered country access to GEF funding under the RAF. (Select one response for each row)

| | A Helpful Factor | A Hindering Factor | Both a Helpful Factor and a Hindering Factor | Neither a Helpful Factor Nor a Hindering Factor | Don't Know/Not Sure |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|---|-----------------------|
| Country eligibility criteria for GEF funding | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The GEF activity cycle | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Co-financing requirements | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Closeout and re-starting of the GEF pipeline | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Changes in the project cycle | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Use of programmatic approaches (such as Coral Triangle Initiative and Sustainable Forest Management) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Direct contacts between countries and GEF Secretariat | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Termination of GEF agencies corporate budget | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Method of scoring global environmental benefits for climate change | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Method of scoring global environmental benefits for biodiversity | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Method of scoring based on country portfolio performance | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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|--|----|----|----|----|----|
| Method of scoring based on country environmental policies and institutional capacity | jn | jn | jn | jn | jn |
| Group allocations | jn | jn | jn | jn | jn |
| Individual allocations | jn | jn | jn | jn | jn |
| Floors in country allocations | jn | jn | jn | jn | jn |
| Exclusions to the RAF allocation formula (for global and regional projects, the Small Grants Programme and targeted supplements) | jn | jn | jn | jn | jn |
| The 50% rule | jn | jn | jn | jn | jn |
| Information and assistance provided to countries regarding utilization of RAF resources | jn | jn | jn | jn | jn |
| Other factor(s): (please specify below) | jn | jn | jn | jn | jn |

Please use the space below to explain or give details about any of these factors that are of particular significance to you.

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10. In what ways has the RAF affected the funding of: (Check one for each row)

| | Very negatively | Somewhat negatively | Somewhat positively | Very positively | Don't Know/Not Sure |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Enabling activities | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Global and regional projects | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The Small Grants Programme | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Least Developed Countries | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Small Island Development States | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| NGOs and civil society | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Medium-Sized Projects | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Full-Sized Projects | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Climate Change Projects | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Biodiversity Projects | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Projects in focal areas other than CC and BD | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

11. What effect(s) has the RAF had on proposals to the GEF for the country program(s) you have been most involved with? (Check all situations that apply)

| | Individual Allocation Countries | Group Allocation Countries |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| No Change | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Existing proposals have been cut | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Existing proposals have been reformulated | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| New proposals have been developed | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Regional proposals have been developed | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| The pipeline has been revised entirely | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Don't know | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Other (please specify below)

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12. To what extent has information concerning the following topics been sufficient for your needs in working with GEF activities under the RAF? (Check one for each row)

| | Very Insufficient | Moderately Insufficient | Moderately Sufficient | Very Sufficient | Don't Know/Not Sure |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Project eligibility | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Country eligibility | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Ratings and indices | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Actual funding allocations | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Status of the project pipeline (approvals, etc.) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| GEF policies and procedures | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

13. In general, to what extent have the following organizations or individuals supported your involvement in implementation of the RAF? (Check one for each row)

| | Not at all | To a slight extent | To a moderate extent | To a great extent | Don't Know/Not Sure |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| GEF Agencies | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Country governments | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| GEF Operational Focal Point | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| GEF Political Focal Point | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The GEF Secretariat | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Other NGOs | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Other organizations (please specify below) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Please use the space below to provide additional comments on your responses.

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14. In what way(s) have you participated in priority-setting for your country's GEF pipeline? (Check all that apply)

- Led or participated in consultation(s) with government representatives
- Led or participated in consultation(s) that included non-governmental stakeholders (this may include NGOs, private sector representatives, etc.)
- Communicated with one or more Implementing or Executing Agencies
- Communicated with the GEF Secretariat

Other (please specify below)

15. To what extent has your role in the preparation/implementation of GEF projects improved or worsened since initiation of the RAF? (Check only one)

- Improved A Great Deal
- Improved Moderately
- Stayed About The Same
- Worsened Moderately
- Worsened A Great Deal
- Don't Know/Not Sure

16. To what extent is the status you reported in the previous question due to the RAF's design or implementation, as compared to other factors? (Check only one)

- Not due to the RAF at all
- Due to the RAF in small part
- Mostly due to the RAF
- Completely due to the RAF
- Don't Know

4. RAF DESIGN

17. To what extent does the RAF provide effective incentives for INDIVIDUAL ALLOCATION countries to improve their performance over time? (Select one. Note that in this case "performance" refers to a country's capacity, policies and practices relevant to successful implementation of GEF programs and projects.)

To a great extent

To a moderate extent

To a slight extent

Not at all

Don't know/Not sure

18. To what extent does the RAF provide effective incentives for GROUP ALLOCATION countries to improve their performance over time? (Select one)

To a great extent

To a moderate extent

To a slight extent

Not at all

Don't know/Not sure

19. To what extent has the RAF increased opportunities for synergies between climate change and biodiversity work, or with other focal areas? (Select one)

To a great extent

To a moderate extent

To a slight extent

Not at all

Don't know/Not sure

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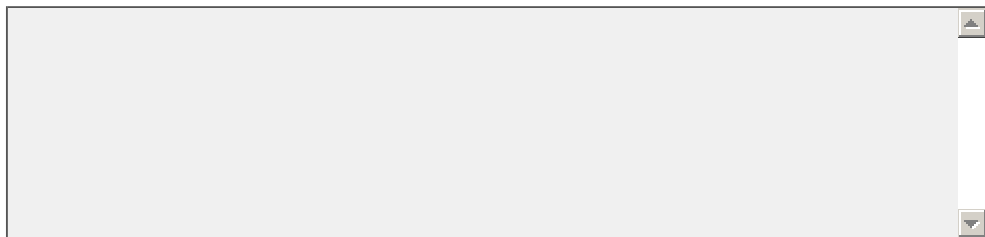
5. WEAKNESSES OF THE RAF

20. Please indicate the extent to which the following possible areas of weakness have been shown to be true, so far, in application of the Resource Allocation Framework. (Check one option for each item)

| | Completely untrue | Mostly untrue | Mostly true | Completely true | Don't know/ Not sure |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Allocations among countries may not be fair | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Allocation formulas may not be based on "best available" practice | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May disadvantage some or all group allocation countries | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May disadvantage some or all individual allocation countries | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Process of awarding allocations may not be sufficiently transparent | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May pressure countries to spend allocations when they may not be fully prepared to do so | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Country allocations may be so small that they discourage development of project proposals | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May place stress on the design quality of GEF projects | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May weaken the role of the GEF Council | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May encourage delays in project development and approval | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May shift project decision making power in favor of the GEF Secretariat | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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21. What other important factors would you like to identify that may be areas of weakness in the RAF? (If so, please use the space below briefly to describe these)



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6. STRENGTHS OF THE RAF

22. Please indicate the extent to which the following possible areas of strength are true, so far, in application of the Resource Allocation Framework. (Check one option for each item)

| | Completely untrue | Mostly untrue | Mostly true | Completely true | Don't know/ Not sure |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| May strengthen country roles in portfolio planning | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May provide increased transparency in resource allocation | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May support equity among countries in access to GEF funding | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May strengthen predictability of funding | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May strengthen incentives to countries to perform | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May empower countries in negotiating with GEF implementing or executing agencies | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| May enhance the external image of GEF as a performance-oriented organization | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

23. What other important factors would you like to identify that may be areas of strength in the RAF? (If so, please use the space below briefly to describe these)

7. OPEN INPUT

24. What are your suggestions about how the RAF could be improved?

25. Is there anything else you would like to comment on?

26. Do you have any suggestions about how the RAF could be improved?

27. Is there anything else you would like to comment on?

8. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

28. Please identify the periods during which you have had experience with the GEF.

- GEF before 2003
- GEF Phase 3 (2003-2006)
- GEF Phase 4 (2007- present)

29. In which region(s) have you been involved with GEF activities? (Check all that apply)

- Africa (including North Africa)
- Asia (including Western Asia and Pacific islands)
- Eastern Europe and Central Asia
- Latin America and the Caribbean
- Global

30. What type of RAF allocation does your country currently have in the Climate Change focal area? (Please select one)

- Group allocation
- Individual allocation
- Don't know/ Not sure

31. What type of RAF allocation does your country currently have in the Biodiversity focal area? (Select one)

- Group allocation
- Individual allocation
- Don't know/ Not sure

9. This ends the survey

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

This ends the survey. Thank you very much.