
The GEF7 Programming Directions



GEF7 Programming Framework

	Biodiversity Focal Area	Climate Change Focal Area	Land Degradation Focal Area	International Waters Focal Area	Chemicals and Waste Focal Area
Programming Areas to be addressed through Focal Area Investments					
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biodiversity mainstreaming Wildlife for sustainable development Natural capital Agrobiodiversity Inclusive conservation Invasive species Protecte Preventi 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CBIT Enabling Activities Technology Transfer NDC preparation and implementation Sustainable energy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creating Enabling Environments for LDN Enabling Activit LDN Target sett 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthening Blue Economy Opportunities Improve Governance in ABNJs Enhancing Water Security in Freshwater Ecosystems 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Industrial Chemicals Agricultural Chemicals LDC/SIDS support Enabling Activities
Impact Programs					
Food, Land Use, and Restoration Impact Program					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replacement of POPs and relevant HHP's used in the global food supply chain, including agricultural plastics contaminated by these chemicals with alternatives, preferably non-chemical alternatives. Disposal of obsolete agricultural chemicals that are POPs.
Sustainable Cities Impact Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrating biodiversity and ecosystem values in urban planning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urban-related GHG emissions avoidance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainable management of production systems in urban and peri-urban areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decreased pollution of rivers, deltas and coastal areas Advance efficient water use and re-use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction of POPs, ODS, and Mercury in built infrastructure, industry and products and materials used in cities.
Sustainable Forest Management Impact Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protection of HCV forests Manage biodiversity in forest landscapes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protection of carbon-rich stocks Forest related GHG emissions avoidance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainable management of dryland landscapes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated land and water management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In forests where ASGM that uses mercury occurs, reduction or elimination of mercury in these areas.



Biodiversity Focal Area

I. Mainstream biodiversity across sectors as well as within production landscapes and seascapes

II. Address direct drivers to protect habitats and species

III. Further develop biodiversity policy and institutional framework

IV. Enabling Activities

Climate Change Mitigation Focal Area

I. Promote **innovation, technology transfer, and supportive policies and strategies**

II. Demonstrate **mitigation options with systemic impacts**

III. Foster **enabling conditions for mainstreaming mitigation** concerns into sustainable development strategies, including CBIT, NDCs, Eas.



Land Degradation Focal Area

I. Support **on the ground implementation** of Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN)

II. Creating an **enabling environment** to support LDN implementation globally, including UNCCD EAs





International Waters Focal Area

I. Strengthening **Blue Economy** opportunities

II. Improve governance in the **Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (ABNJ)**

II. Enhance water security in **freshwater ecosystems**



Chemicals and Waste Focal Area

I. **Industrial** Chemicals

II. **Agricultural** Chemicals

III. **SIDS/LDCs** program - Least Developed Countries and Small Island Developing States

IV. **Enabling Activities**

Impact Programs

- I. Address drivers and promote systemic change
- II. Deliver impact and results across Focal Areas
- III. Open access but proactive engagement with key countries



Food Systems, Land Use and Restoration

Achieving Transformational Shift – “Sustainability”

- **Efficient and effective** food value chains for multiple benefits
- **Removing deforestation** from supply chains
- **Expand restoration** of degraded lands



➔ Two **key priorities** for GEF financing:

- 1) Spatially explicit geographies defined on basis of their global importance for commodities, food production, and restoration of ecosystem services
- 2) Established supply or value chains

GEF-7 Sustainable Cities Program

- Build on the GEF-6 Sustainable Cities IAP
- Promote sustainable urban planning
 - Departure from single sector investment
 - Supporting mayors' efforts in land use planning
- Maintaining the two-story structure
 - Global platform for knowledge exchange
 - Investment program in 28 cities in 11 developing countries





Sustainable Forest Management

Focus on globally important forests

Amazon
Forest

Congo Basin
Forest

Dryland
Forests

Require regional, ecosystem-scale approach to maintain integrity of the entire Biome

GEF-7 rollout model

Key Issues for Impact Programs

Role of Countries in Impact Programs

- Starting point: countries decide how to deploy their STAR allocation in Focal Area Investments or Impact Programs (one or more)
- If country decides to participate in IP(s), country selects agency of their choice to design and implement their child projects
- If selected, participating countries will receive 2:1 matching resources

Start of GEF-7....

- Starting on 1st July 2018!
- Prepare and finalize **templates that countries will use for Expression of Interest**
- Use available opportunities (workshops, forums, NDIs, etc) for extensive consultation with countries, agencies, and stakeholders
- Exchanges with countries: Clearly communicate windows of opportunity or rolling opportunities for countries to “join” or “apply” for an IP and access the incentive funds