



## **6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Global Steering Committee (GSC)**

28 June 2013, 17:30 – 18:30 (Rome time)

*The GSC is requested to endorse the actions and decisions made by the GEB on its behalf during the reporting period.*

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### **AGENDA ITEM 1 (for endorsement)**

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### **REPORT OF THE GLOBAL EXECUTIVE BOARD (GEB) ON ACTIONS AND DECISIONS MADE ON BEHALF OF THE GSC**

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## REPORT OF THE GLOBAL EXECUTIVE BOARD (GEB)

**PERIOD COVERED:** December 2012 to June 2013

### MEMBERS OF THE GEB:

AfDB: Oliver Chinganya; BMGF: Stanley Wood; DFID: Frances Harper; Ethiopia: Samia Zekaria - Chair  
FAO: Pietro Gennari - Secretariat; Philippines: Romeo Recide; UNESCAP: Haishan Fu.

### MAIN FUNCTIONS OF THE GEB:

(detailed Terms of Reference of the GEB is available in Appendix D of the Action Plan)

- The GEB exercises functions delegated to it by the GSC. The GEB will give instruction to the Fund Administrator (FA) in line with the strategic allocation decided by the GSC.
- The GEB will decide, if necessary, on the allocation of additional funds received by the Global trust fund, consistent with the strategic guidance of the GSC regarding expected resources.
- The GEB will be entitled to allocate the additional resources received by the Global trust fund after the last and before the next meeting of the GSC. This allocation will be endorsed at the next meeting of the GSC.

### MAIN DECISIONS AND ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE GEB

Since the 3<sup>rd</sup> GEB meeting in December 2012, only one GEB has been organized. Therefore the actions taken by the GEB on behalf of the GSC were the following:

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## FOURTH GEB MEETING ON 23 APRIL 2013

### DETAILED AGENDA:

1. **AGENDA ITEM 1 – for endorsement:** Regional 2013 workplans for the 4 following regions: CIS, Near East, Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC), Asia and the Pacific (AP);
2. **AGENDA ITEM 2 – for endorsement:** The updated reporting templates;
3. **ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEM – for discussion:** Current status of the implementation of the Global Strategy in Africa.

### MAIN OUTCOME AND DECISIONS

**DECISION 1:** The **workplans for the 4 regions have been endorsed** and funds can be transferred accordingly.

- The workplan for Asia and the Pacific was endorsed without comments, including the distinction between the activities to be carried out by FAO Regional Office and UNESCAP.
- The three workplans for CIS, LAC and Near East were also endorsed. They have the same 3 objectives: (i) finalise the Regional Action Plan, (ii) start the Country Assessment (CA) and; (iii) mobilise resources. The work in these three regions will be carried out by the FAO Regional Offices.

**DECISION 2:** The **reporting templates were revised** according to the changes proposed during the 3<sup>rd</sup> GEB meeting. All these changes have been endorsed.

**Discussion:** Some members expressed their concern about the fact that **workplan 2013 for Africa** was still not ready and also with the delays in signing the **MoU**. AfDB confirmed that the workplan should be finalised by the end of May 2013 and that MoU is at final stages for approval and should also be signed by this time.