## **Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund**

Twelfth Meeting of the Donor Council World Bank Headquarters, Washington, DC 20 November 2007 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

## Follow-up to Decisions Taken at the Eleventh Meeting of the Donor Council

*List of Follow-up Actions from the Eleventh Meeting:* 

- 1. CEPF will revise the minutes of the Ninth and Tenth meetings as approved.

  The CEPF Secretariat revised the minutes of the Ninth and Tenth meetings as approved and circulated these to the Donor Council for information together with the draft minutes of the Eleventh Meeting on 14 August 2007.
- 2. CEPF will submit the revised Operational Manual to the Council in August electronically for review and no-objection approval.

  The CEPF Secretariat submitted the revised Operational Manual to the Donor Council for review and approval on a no-objection basis on 17 August 2007. No objections were received by the deadline of 18 September 2007, and the Donor Council was informed of the no-objection approval on 26 September 2007. Several non-substantive changes or additions were also made to the revised Operational Manual at the request of the World Bank and communicated to the Donor Council along with the notice of no-objection approval.
- 3. CEPF will produce a synthesis of accomplishments to date.

  As agreed, the CEPF Secretariat forwarded the MacArthur Foundation the tables synthesizing accomplishments to date from the recently completed Implementation Completion Report produced by the World Bank. All CEPF Working Group members have received the full Implementation Completion Report. In addition, the CEPF Secretariat produced a short document specifically on results achieved in the Tropical Andes Hotspot at the MacArthur Foundation's request. This paper is included in the meeting documents for the Donor Council's information (CEPF/DC12/4.1).
- 4. The Acting Chair will follow up to ensure that World Bank President Robert Zoellick receives the letter from the CEPF Donor Council and is briefed on the CEPF partnership. The Acting Chair has sent a letter to the CEPF Secretariat on behalf of Mr. Zoellick stating that Mr. Zoellick is very interested in meeting with the Donor Council, however he would first like to have the time to understand better CEPF as well as other conservation partnership in which the World Bank is engaged. The letter, which is included in the meeting documents (CEPF/DC12/4.2), suggests that a meeting may be best after Mr. Zoellick meets with the CEOs of major conservation organizations. This meeting was hoped to take place in September but was then delayed. It is now scheduled for early December.
- 4. CEPF will produce a 1-2 page paper on how CEPF makes the link to climate change. This paper is in development and will be distributed to the Donor Council when finalized (CEPF/DC12/4.3).

- 5. CEPF will produce a short paper outlining the respective roles of CI, the Donor Council, and Working Group on fiduciary management of the Fund.

  The Secretariat has produced a short paper outlining these respective roles. The paper is included in the meeting documents ((CEPF/DC12/4.4).
- 6. The Secretariat and Working Group will monitor the potential burden of the Working Group's review of all proposed grants to CI above \$20,000 and report back to the Donor Council after one year or sooner if its poses an undue burden.

  As agreed, the new Terms of Reference for the Working Group, including review of all proposed grants to CI, were included in the revised Operational Manual approved by the Donor Council in September 2007. The Operation Manual sets out the policies and procedures for the Fund for all new investment regions beginning in 2007. No grants have been awarded in new investment regions to date. The first grants are expected to be awarded in new investment regions in 2008.
- 7. The Secretariat will organize the next meeting of the Donor Council to take place in November 2007.

  The Eleventh Meeting of the CEPF Donor Council is scheduled to take place on 20 November 2007.