In December 2019, GWPO was accredited to the Green Climate Fund (GCF) as a Delivery Partner of GCF Readiness country support. As part of support to countries for GCF Readiness, GWP is supporting a number of countries to prepare well prioritized and sequenced readiness proposals for submission to the GCF. In March 2020, the GCF approved Zambia’s proposal for advancing its National Adaptation Planning with support of $2.2M over 3 years with GWP as Delivery Partner.

However, many countries around the world face challenges to programme and access support for GCF readiness. Attended by over 120 participants representing over 80 countries from 13 GWP regions around the world, this session will explore perspectives for accelerating progress in GCF country readiness. The session will comprise two segments as follows:

- A High Level segment to sign the Zambia Project Grant Agreement by GWP and the GCF.
- A knowledge exchange-challenges and opportunities to accelerate GCF Readiness in countries.

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| **09:00** | Welcome, introduction: GWP’s GCF Readiness Portfolio | Alex Simalabwi  
Head-Climate Resilience, GWP |
| **09:05** | Remarks from the Green Climate Fund: Opportunities to access and accelerate country support on GCF Readiness | Pa Ousman Jarju,  
Director, Division of Country Programming, GCF |
| **09:10** | Remarks from Zambian Government: GCF Readiness support to Zambia National Adaptation Plan | Hon. Jean Kapata  
Minister of Lands & Natural Resources |
| **09:15** | SIGNING OF THE GCF GRANT AGREEMENT FOR ZAMBIA  
- Pa Ousman Jarju, Director, Division of Country Programming, GCF  
- Monika Weber-Fahr, Executive Secretary & CEO, GWPO | Lifeng Li  
Coordinator of Support Programmes  
Division of Country Programming, GCF |
| **09:20** | Perspective from UNFCCC Secretariat on integration of NAP support to countries and UNFCCC’s Resilience Frontiers | Dr Youssef Nassef  
Director of Adaptation, UNFCCC |
| **09:25** | World Health Organization perspective on integrated support for NAPs on Water, Climate and Health | Elena Villalobos Prats  
Technical officer- WHO |
| **09:30** | Vote of thanks and closing remarks | Amb. Howard Bamsey, Chair-GWP |

**END OF HIGH LEVEL SEGMENT AND START OF REGIONAL KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE**

**GROUP DISCUSSIONS: PERSPECTIVES TO ACCELERATE COUNTRY SUPPORT ON GCF READINESS**

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| **09:35** | Regional, country experiences on GCF Readiness across the world -Knowledge sharing of lessons, challenges, and country needs | Anjali Lohani- Water & Climate-GWPO  
Kidanemariam Tiruneh, GWPSA-Africa |
| **10:30** | Summary of key messages and next steps and Close | Peter Rempiski, Deputy CEO-GWPO |