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Technical Workshop on Project Preparation for Transformational Climate Resilience Water Project Concepts in Asia

October 15-16, Manila

Multifunction Room 2 / Lecture Theatre, Asian Development Bank HQ,
6 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City 1550, Metro Manila, Philippines

Time/Room	Topic	Presenter/ Facilitator
15 October, Monday – Financing Climate Resilience Water Projects & GCF 101		
08:00-08:30	Registration & Coffee	GWP Philippines
Multifunction Room 2	Session 1: Welcome & Workshop Rationale	Watt Botkosal GWP South East Asia Chairman
08:30-08:40	Welcome from Hosts: Philippine Water Partnership	Nathaniel Santos GWP Philippines
08:40-09:25	Perspectives from Partners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Naidalaa Badrakh, Mongolia Sustainable Finance Association (MSFA) • Kyaw San, Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry, Myanmar NDA • Puti Faraniza, PT Sarana Multi Infrastruktur, Indonesia DAE • Noor Syaifudin, Ministry of Finance, Indonesia NDA • Flerida Chan, JICA • Dominique Berod, WMO • Yumiko Yasuda, GWP 	Moderator: Alex Simalabwi Head GWP Water, Climate & Development Programme
09:25-09:30	Opening by Hosts: Asia Pacific Adaptation Network	Mozaharul Alam APAN
09:30–09:45	Portfolio of country prioritized water project ideas in Asia for the GCF: strengths & challenges	Alex Simalabwi GWP
09:45-10:30	Preparing climate resilient water projects, accessing project finance, programming for the GCF: Experiences and workshop expectations <i>This session is intended to be interactive, with participants sharing their experiences and raising their challenges</i>	ALL Moderator: Alex Simalabwi
10:30-11:00	Coffee & Group Photo	
Multifunction Room 2	Session 2: GCF Introduction	Yumiko Yasuda GWP
11:00-11:45	Introduction to the GCF: <i>what it is and is not able to support, overview of funding windows</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GCF mandate, Investment Criteria, Project Cycle • GCF funding windows and financing mechanisms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Readiness and Preparatory Support 	Jason Spensley GCF (by VC)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Project Preparation Grants ○ Programme and Project Finance ○ Private Sector Facility ○ Simplified Approval Process Pilot Scheme (SAP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Environmental and social safeguards (ESS) ● Gender mainstreaming 	
11:45-12:00	<i>Interactive discussion on GCF</i>	ALL
Multifunction Room 2	Session 3: GCF Investment Criteria & Project Cycle	Christopher Ilagan GWP Philippines
12:00-12:10	Case Study 1: Bhutan NDA – Gross National Happiness Commission. How GCF investment criteria was applied to approved project ‘Bhutan for Life’ – experiences and lessons	Kinley Yangden Bhutan GNHC
12:10-12:20	Case Study 2: GWP Nepal. How did Nepal access GCF readiness support? How is adaptation planning and NDA strengthening helping Nepal prepare proposals for GCF projects that meet that GCF investment criteria?	Batu Krishna Uprety GWP Nepal
12:20-12:30	Case Study 3: Philippines NDA. Ensuring country readiness for GCF: How is the Philippines NDA coordinating among DAEs, Delivery Partners, executing entities, across sectors, and with Ministries of Planning and Finance?	Josefina Ramos Philippines NDA
12:30-13:00	<i>Interactive Discussion on GCF Investment Criteria</i>	ALL
13:00-14:00	Lunch	
Multifunction Room 2	Session 4: Climate Rationale	Alex Simalabwi GWP
14:00-14:45	<p>What is a climate rationale? Discussion of GCF’s required justification to ensure its projects tackle GHG induced climate change impacts on the most vulnerable communities, in the most technically and financially efficient ways</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Climate impact projections ● Identifying vulnerabilities ● Assessing responses to reduce climate risk ● Attributing development vs. climate adaptation benefits ● Case studies – climate rationale in successful project proposals ● Relevant data sources, analytical methods and tools 	Frederik Pischke GWP/WMO
14:45-15:15	<p>What resources can countries access to articulate climate rationale for water projects?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● WMO services 	Dominique Berod WMO
15:15-15:30	Case Study 4: Sri Lanka NDA. Climate Rationale in approved GCF Project in Sri Lanka: Strengthening the resilience of smallholder farmers in the Dry Zone to climate variability and extreme events through an integrated approach to water management	G S Chanke Rodrigo Ministry of Mahaweli Development & Environment - Sri Lanka NDA
15:30-16:00	<i>Interactive Discussion on Climate Rationale for GCF Water Projects: challenges faced by countries in articulating climate rationale along with potential solutions and resources</i>	ALL Moderator: Alex Simalabwi , GWP
16:00-16:15	Briefing on group discussions & Coffee	

16:15-17:30	Group Discussion - Climate Rationale: Project Ideas <i>6 groups will be established by regions. Each country will present to their group one submitted project idea. Group members will then discuss strengths, weaknesses, and opportunities for enhancing the climate rationale for each project. 13 project ideas in total will be reviewed.</i>	ALL Moderator: Frederik Pischke , GWP/WMO
17:30-18:30	Report back from regional groups: Climate rationale in project ideas reviewed and lessons learned	Group Rapporteurs
18:30	End of Day 1	
16 October, Tuesday – Designing & Financing Climate Resilience Water Projects		
Lecture Theatre	Session 5: Climate Resilience across Water Sub-sectors	Francois Brikke GWP
08:00-08:15	Recap of Day 1	Yasmina Rais El Fenni CAPNET
08:15-08:45	Approaches for building resilience across water-subsectors, including prioritizing and sequencing project options will be introduced. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adaptation: Water resources, Irrigation, Water supply, sanitation, and drainage, Coastal defence and coastal zone management, Flood management, Water-borne diseases Mitigation: Navigation, Hydropower, Renewable energy, Water recycling Cross-cutting projects: Leakage reduction 	Alex Simalabwi GWP
08:45-09:15	Successful GCF project proposals across water-sub sectors – lessons learned	Alex Simalabwi GWP
09:15-09:45	<i>Interactive discussion on options for water actions that build resilience</i>	ALL
09:45-10:00	Coffee	
Lecture Theatre	Session 6: GCF Project Preparation Facility	Yumiko Yasuda GWP
10:00-10:20	What gets submitted? Walk through concept note and full funding proposal for a successful project – pitfalls and tips	Lyan Villacorta AIT
10:20-10:45	Introduction to the GCF Project Preparation Facility: support to take project from concept note to full funding proposal. Sharing case studies of successful PPF proposals to the GCF and highlighting in particular, capacity and coordination challenges and solutions.	Anjali Lohani GWP
10:45-11:00	Supporting countries in preparing concept notes and project proposals – experiences and lessons	Lyan Villacorta AIT
11:00-11:30	<i>Interactive discussion on GCF PPF</i>	
11:30-11:45	Briefing on group discussions & switch rooms to Multifunction Room 2	
Multifunction Room 2	Session 7: Preparing Concepts Notes	Alex Simalabwi GWP
11:45-13:00	Group Discussions: Preparing Concept Notes Group hands-on exercise where country teams – NDAs, DAEs, Water Ministries – prepare project concept notes for country-prioritized project ideas.	ALL

13:00-13:45	Lunch	
13:45-15:00	Report back from country groups: Project ideas reviewed and lessons learned on concept note preparation	Country reps
Multifunction Room 2	Session 8: Fit-for-purpose Financing	Noor Syaifudin Indonesia Ministry of Finance, Indonesia NDA
15:00-15:15	Presentation on the range of financing instruments offered by the GCF, along with examples of fit-for-purpose pairing of project design and financing instruments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants, Loans, Guarantees & Equity 	Alex Simalabwi GWP
15:15-15:30	Introduction to GCF's Private Sector Facility	Alex Simalabwi GWP
15:30-15:45	Case study 6: Mongolia. Mongolia Sustainable Finance Association and its role in structuring a GCF proposal for the Green Finance Corporation Project as a PPP.	Naidalaa Badrakh MSFA
15:45-16:00	Interactive discussion on GCF financing instruments, PSF	ALL
16:00-16:15	Coffee	
16:15-16:30	Co-financing GCF, and beyond: Overview of the climate finance landscape in Asia	Francois Brikke GWP
16:30-16:40	Case study 7: JICA. PPPs for climate resilience water projects – Leveraging private finance through the Philippines Water Revolving Fund	Flerida Chan JICA
16:40-16:50	Case study 8: Adaptation Fund. Project preparation for integrated flood management in the transboundary Volta River Basin.	Frederik Pischke GWP/WMO
16:50-17:00	Case study 9: Blue Orchard. Impact investing, climate insurance, blending finance for improved resilience in Asia – experiences and opportunities	Pierrick Balmain Blue Orchard Singapore (by VC)
17:00-17:30	Interactive discussion on financing	
Multifunction Room 2	Session 9: In-country Coordination for Improved Concept Notes and Proposals	
17:30-17:50	To develop high quality GCF concept notes and project proposals, how will countries enhance coordination among NDA, DAEs, Delivery Partners, executing entities, across sectors, and with Ministries of Planning and Finance? <i>Presentation and interactive discussion.</i>	Ridzwan Ali Malaysia Ministry of Energy, Sci & Tech, Env & Climate Change Malaysia NDA
Multifunction Room 2	Session 10: Next Steps & Closing	
17:50-18:00	Summary of workshop outcomes	Anjali Lohani GWP
18:00-18:30	Next Steps: A panel discussion by countries Towards a Project Preparation Partnership for Climate Resilience Water Projects in Asia	GWP & Partners Moderator: Alex Simalabwi , GWP
18:30	Official Close	Sevillo David, Jr. GWP Philippines, National Water Resources Board