

Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel Report to 44th Meeting of the GEF Council

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Outline of the Report

- STAP achievements, and future mandate of the Panel;
- GEF-6 conceptual framework;
- Recruitment of STAP Chair;







The work of STAP

Within the GEF Partnership

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STAP in GEF-5: Retrospective so far...



400+ projects screened for technical and scientific merits.



STAP published 17 major reports



20 technical workshops and 8 Panel Meetings – including stakeholders from Conventions, governments, private sector, NGOs, foundations, academia.



Assisted in the formulation of **GEF-6 Focal Area Strategies**.

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Projected temperature rise for A1B & A1F1 scenarios (Hadley, 2009)



Ice-sheet collapse and sea-level rise

Last time Earth was 2°C warmer, sea-level was 4-6m higher



Data: Rohling et al. (2008) Nature Geoscience, 1, 38-42.

Upcoming STAP Workshops

Mainstreaming Biodiversity into Decision-Making:

(September 2013)

- Identify principles and guidance for projects,
- Identify actions that are to produce additional benefits to Aichi targets,
- Review indicators for M&E



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The Panel – Current Members



Prof. Ralph Sims Focal Area : CC



Dr. Sandra Dias Focal Area : BD



Dr. Hindrik Bouwman Focal Area : POPs



Prof. Anand Patwardhan Focal Area : CC & Adapt



Dr. Anette Cowie Focal Area : LD



Jakob Granit Focal Area : IW



Prof. Brian Huntley (Acting) Focal Area : BD



Prof. Michael Stocking Focal Area : LD Senior Advisor to the Chair

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The Panel – Past Members



Dr. Mary Seeley Focal Area : LD



Dr. Yolanda Kakabadse Former Chair



Dr. Meryl Williams Focal Area : IW



Prof. Paul Ferraro

Focal Area : BD



Dr. Bo Wahlstrom Focal Area : Chemicals



Prof. Nijavalli H. Ravindranath Focal Area : CC



Dr. Sanginga Nterania Focal Area : LD

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Program Directions

GEF 6

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Looking back: Multiple Focal Area Projects in the GEF



GEF in the Future : Integration

1. Integration across space and domains.

- National / regional ⇒ global;
- Address issues across environmental and socioeconomic domains.



2. Integration in project and programme design.

- Focus on <u>design and delivery</u> elements of <u>innovative</u> programs and policies; pilot innovative project design;
- Projects and programs that overcome <u>focal area silos</u> and <u>build synergies.</u>



GEF in the Future: Integration

- 1. Green Cities;
- 2. Smart Food Systems;

3. Forest ecosystem restoration and governance

> e.g. The Amazon Basin

STAP is committed to assist the GEF in developing comprehensive programs at regional/ global level and across focal area boundaries



Example: Amazon Dieback





1. The GEF and Sustainable development

Generating global environmental benefits and

seeking development co-benefits

OR

Actively and explicitly target development challenges – generate GEB's in the course of meeting those challenges



E.g. Demographic land use and sustainability challenge in Sub-Saharan Africa

2. Short-term vs. long-term





3. Replication & scaling-up \underline{VS} risk-taking and innovation

OR

Should the GEF focus on...

Scaling-up known and established solutions



STAP- science advice for our planet



Invest in the **next generation** of solutions.

e.g. Reduce atmospheric GHG loads



Example: Restoration at scale



To be an innovator, the GEF needs to know where it has been

EXTRACTING DATA / INFORMATION (AND KNOWLEDGE) FROM PREVIOUS GEF PROJECTS

Looking forward : How can STAP do better?

- STAP is currently being evaluated by the Evaluation Office.
- How does the GEF partnership see the role of STAP? (we welcome your thoughts)





New STAP Chair

WELCOME

Dr. Rosina Bierbaum







Questions and comments welcomed



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