Report of the 1st Meeting of the WIOSAP Project Steering Committee

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Introduction

• Presentations by
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Project Structure

– The structure was adopted as approved in the project document.
– The difference between national focal institutions of the Nairobi Convention and the proposed inter-ministerial coordination unit at the country level was clarified.
– The titles of organs in the project structure can be adapted to fit country configurations/nomenclature.
Project Steering Committee
Terms of Reference

• Terms of Reference will reflect the strategic functions
• Some of the current functions in the draft TORs could be delegated to the project manager, the national focal points, and other project support structures.
• The PSC should meet every six months 1) face to Face and 2) Virtually
Project Co-financing

• Secretariat, with the help of each country, to review and update co-financing arrangements.
• Respective countries should confirm the co-finance that is still valid and the ones that are no longer available.
• New co-financing should be sort to fill the gaps.
• Countries to review the adequacy of the co-financing to reflect today’s value of the budget costs.
Project Work plan and Budget

• The work plan and suggested timeframe to 2022 is accepted
• Joint scheduling of PSC of WIOSAP and SAPPHIRE.
• The next meetings of the two PSCs to be held prior to the next Conference of the Parties to the Nairobi Convention to be hosted by Kenya in 2018;
• Do a budget revision up to 2022.
• National project officers will be appointed on a needs basis depending on the number of projects to be sponsored per country;
Proposals for National Projects

• A call for proposals should be issued as soon as possible.
• Provide adequate guidance on the selection criteria and the mode of technical support to develop full project proposals.
• Countries will screen project applications at the national level.
• Countries may submit more than one project concept guided by the recommendations of the WIO-Lab SAP.
• Any alternative sites needs to be justified in the light of current information.
• The PSC will review and approve projects to be funded based on recommendations by the Regional Technical Committee, including funding levels.
Monitoring and Evaluation

- Reporting is more than progress on project implementation.
- Reports should focus towards tracking impact and delivering on the global objectives of the GEF.
- Periodic field visits are important to ascertain progress.
- PSC members may elect to accompany some of the periodic field monitoring visits.
- Mid-term review and terminal evaluation will be done by an external evaluator hired by UN Environment.
Thank you