Environmental Governance
Programme Performance Review
January 2018 to June 2019

(6th Annual Subcommittee – 08 October 2019)
PoW 2018-2019
SP 4 - Expected Accomplishments

Expected Accomplishment A: The international community increasingly converges on common and integrated approaches to achieve environmental objectives and implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: POLICY COHERENCE

Expected Accomplishment B: Institutional capacities and policy and/or legal frameworks enhanced to achieve internationally agreed environmental goals, including the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals: INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING
SP4: Environmental Governance

Achieved (≥100%)  Partially achieved (60%–99%)

Ind: Indicator  UoM: Unit of measure

* No of UNDAFs planned for the POW 2018-2019 = 40
SP 4 EA A
Jan2018 - Jun2019 progress
Interagency Initiatives


MOU between UNEP and OHCHR to promote and protect environmental and human rights Resolutions on Human Rights and the Environment, Environmental Defenders.
SP 4 EA A
Jan2018 - Jun2019 progress
Global and Regional Interagency Fora

Various meetings:
• Regional ministerial fora on Environment, Health & Environment.
• Regional Economic Commission forums for sustainable development.
Resulting in: ministerial decisions, regional specific positions on environmental issues and strengthening the implementation of Agenda 2030. The meetings have also served as pre–UNEA preparations pre-HLPF preparations,

Uptake of UNEA messages, consensus on emerging issues, capacity building through SDG Issue Briefs.
MEAs and International Instruments

Global Pact: Ad hoc Open-ended Working Group Concluded its work on 22 May 2019. Recommendations to be considered at UNEA 5

Montevideo Programme: Model Law on Lead Paint; Roadmap to Montevideo Programme V starting in 2020

MEAs implementation: Myanmar, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Solomon Islands, Burkina Faso, Marshall islands and Cook Islands take action to strengthen synergies with a focus on biodiversity, 2 UNCCD National Action Programmes from Tunisia and South Africa

Pacific Island Countries and Territories: Regional Environmental Impact Assessment Guidelines for Coastal Tourism Development

Enhanced MEA cooperation through: MEA Resolutions leading to increased synergies in the biodiversity synergies portfolio
SP 4 EA B
Jan 2018 - Jun 2019 progress

UNEP Presence on Institutional Strengthening

Strengthening environmental governance

Countries strengthening environmental governance as a result of UN Environment Programme support, June 2019:
- Strengthening laws and institutions
- Coherent Implementation of MEAs
- Greening UN country frameworks
- Mainstreaming environment into sustainable development planning
Linkages to UNEA Resolutions

- UN COORDINATION, UNEP & MEAs, PRINCIPLE 10
- POVERTY, GENDER, MONTEVIDEO V
- POLLUTION, HLPF, PARAGRAPH 88
- REGIONAL FORA, AGENDA 2030, BIODIVERSITY & MEA SYNERGIES, MONTEVIDEO IV, PRINCIPLE 10
FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Financial Performance: Environmental Governance

- **Environment Fund**: 35.9 million USD
- **Earmarked contributions**: 39.9 million USD
- **Global Funds**: 21.9 million USD
- **Regular Budget**: 8.5 million USD

Legend:
- **2018–2019 Budget**
- **Available Resources as at 30 June 2019**
- **Expenditure as at 30 June 2019**
Challenges and Opportunities

Challenges

• Synergistic Implementation at National Level to promote an integrated approach in SDG implementation

• Integrating the UN Reforms into UNEP Strategic Planning

Opportunities

• Integrating the UN Reforms into UNEP Strategic Planning e.g. MTS and POW development

• Leveraging of global governance processes: Kigali Amendment, Escazu Agreement, Montevideo V, the post 2020 biodiversity framework, climate finance, Amendment to the Bases Convention
Looking Ahead

• Align the Support of countries in national legislation / policy development with the new Resident Coordinator’s office to ensure coherence in the context of UN Reform.

• Framing of the MTS to focus on cross-cutting programmes & reduce overlapping mandates across UN development system and increasing efficiencies for UN wide thematic issues, including environment.
Possible Points for Discussion

• How do we catalyze UN reform to establish country/regional presence for UN Environment?

• How do we maintain institutional memory in countries to ensure we have long term results?

• What are the emerging issues that should be included in the sub programme?
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