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# Agenda Item 3: Annual report for UNEP's Private Sector Engagement

This report, entitled "Annual report for UNEP's Private Sector Engagement", serves as a background note for consideration of Agenda Item 3: Annual report for UNEP's Private Sector Engagement. It summarizes UN Environment Programme's strengthened engagement with the private sector through partnerships and collaboration in areas of common interest in 2020. It was first circulated to member States in November 2020.

Member States are invited to review and provide guidance to the Secretariat on the contents of the present report.

# I. Background and Relevant Mandates

- 1. The United Nations Environment Programme's engagement with the private sector is grounded in Governing Council Decision 22/7 "Engaging business and industry", which was approved during the 22<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Governing Council in 2003.
- 2. The UN Environment Programme's approach has evolved to reflect the call to enhance the business engagement for sustainable development and the ambitions of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals in terms of collaboration with the private sector. The 2030 Agenda, adopted by the General Assembly in 2015<sup>1</sup>, recognizes that the scale and ambition of the new Agenda requires a revitalized Global Partnership to ensure its implementation, bringing together governments and the private sector. Member States also acknowledged the role of a diverse private sector with geographic balance, ranging from micro-enterprises to cooperatives to multinationals, all of which can contribute to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.
- 3. The UN Environment Assembly's resolution 2/5 on the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development adopted in 2016 sets out the parameters in which the UN Environment Programme is to revitalize its work with the private sector. The Resolution (paragraph 12): "Requests the Executive Director to initiate new multi-stakeholder partnerships, where appropriate, and within available resources, and strengthen existing ones, including with the private sector, civil society and other relevant stakeholders, to promote activities that contribute to delivering the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development".
- 4. The Ministerial Declaration of the 4<sup>th</sup> UN Environment Assembly calls for "promoting sustainable and innovative financing opportunities and mechanisms to unlock new capital for sustainable investment and upscaling of sustainable business models, with a special focus on small and medium-sized enterprises" and for "seeking out innovative solutions to environmental challenges by strengthening partnerships between the public and private sectors and academia for accelerating the uptake and upscaling of those solutions". The adopted Programme of Work and Budget for the biennium 2020-2021 calls upon the UN Environment Programme "to promote, support and oversee partnerships to contribute to the implementation of the Environment Assembly resolutions and the Programme of Work", while also emphasizing the need of complying with integrity measures.
- 5. The Assembly also adopted an important resolution titled, "Addressing environmental challenges through sustainable business practices" which "requests the Executive Director of UN Environment Programme, in collaboration with other UN bodies and UN partners, to continue to support the development of skills, especially for micro, small and medium sized enterprises, to promote sustainable production patterns, including cleaner production and industrial symbiosis in order to enhance their profitability, resource efficiency and productivity". The resolution also calls for the UN Environment Programme "to develop and implement programmes that catalyse replication, upscale existing innovative solutions and technologies, and promote the uptake of sustainable business approaches".
- 6. Against this backdrop, the UN Environment Programme aims to be at the forefront for collaborating with the private sector in constructive and results-oriented partnerships that will bring the needed innovations, technological solutions and financing to tackle our most pressing global environmental

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Adopted by General Assembly resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015 entitled, "Transforming Our World: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development."

challenges. The private sector will also be instrumental in contributing to the implementation of the relevant resolutions decided upon by 193 member States at the UN Environment Assembly.

- 7. The purpose of this report is to inform member States on progress made in engaging the private sector through partnership initiatives in support of the implementation of the Programme of Work.
- 8. Furthermore, the report includes an Annex of the updated list of private sector partnerships concluded by the UN Environment Programme with individual companies as of October 2020.

#### II. Definition of the Private Sector

- 9. The private sector, as defined in the UN Sustainable Development Group's Common Approach to Prospect Research and Due Diligence for Business Sector Partnerships and referenced in the UN Environment Programme's Strategy for Private Sector Engagement, is the part of the economy that is run by individuals and companies and is not state controlled<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, it encompasses all for-profit businesses that are not owned or operated by governments, and in some definitions, it may also include privately-owned organizations (e.g. family foundations or associations) or include influential individuals, such as high net worth persons.
- 10. Following the 2030 Agenda, the UN Environment Programme regards the private sector as ranging from micro-enterprises to cooperatives to multinationals encompassing the entire business sector. It includes for-profit enterprises; companies or businesses regardless of size, ownership or structure; as well as private financial institutions, trade associations and organizations that represent private sector interests. It also includes corporate philanthropic foundations.

# III. The UN Environment Programme's response to the COVID-19 crisis in collaboration with the private sector

- 11. The *Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)*: the response to the COVID-19 crisis in collaboration with the private sector is linked to IPBES' upcoming "assessment of the interlinkages among biodiversity, water, food and health" which will assess the connections between health and biodiversity, and the environmental origins of pandemics, with the aim of informing on the development of policies and actions. Any private sector entity willing to finance the IPBES trust fund will contribute to the financing of this assessment report, as well as other assessment reports and capacity-building activities of the Platform.
- 12. A draft proposal prepared by the UN Environment Programme's engagement with the UN Reform during the COVID-19 lockdown (thematic webinars) was developed and shared with Regional Offices.
- 13. UN Environment Programme publications, webinars, meetings and workshops addressing the COVID-19 crisis include the following:
- Waste Management during the COVID-19 Pandemic: From Response to Recovery.
- First International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies.
- COVID-19 and Air Quality How Can We Sustain Air Quality Gains in Asia-Pacific?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Please note that the annex of this report also includes information about state-owned enterprises that have partnered with the UN Environment Programme.

- Improving air quality in African cities: a way for mitigating and preventing Covid-like pandemics.
- <u>Sustainable Lifestyles for Plastics and Packaging Waste Management during a Pandemic (COVID-19).</u>
- 14. UN Environment Programme factsheets and blogs addressing the COVID-19 crisis:
  - <u>COVID-19 Waste management Factsheets</u> available in all UN languages, more information available through this link: https://bit.ly/3o4VNeI.
  - Green Fiscal Policies for a Sustainable and Resilient COVID-19 Recovery.
- 15. <u>Green Fiscal Policy Network</u>: COVID-19 has plunged the global economy into crisis. Green fiscal policies (GFP) can play a key role in shaping the recovery. As governments are devising green fiscal stimulus policies, they must look to maximize short-term growth and employment effects, but they have also a lever in hand to steer economies to a green and fair transition. The collapse of the oil price has created a window of opportunity for carbon taxes and fossil fuel subsidy reform to mobilize revenue and drive low-carbon development. Green budgeting can rationalize more efficient expenditures and align spending with sustainability. In developing countries with limited fiscal space, GFP can be part of a sustainable solution. The UN Environment Programme and the Green Fiscal Policy Network will be joining with Oxford University to create a Green Recovery/Fiscal Policy Observatory to track policies and progress in greening recoveries in the world's top 50 economies.
- 16. Green Growth Knowledge Partnership (GGKP): the GGKP's <u>Sustainability After COVID-19</u> series provides space for constructive high-level conversation on the global response to <u>COVID-19</u>, and how to build back better and greener while protecting the most vulnerable people and countries. It challenges the <u>policy</u>, <u>business</u>, and <u>finance</u> communities to think through and articulate their unique role in this time of crisis and how they can align their response efforts to maximize immediate impacts and optimize long-term outcomes for people and planet. The webinars can be accessed through this link: <a href="https://bit.ly/3kcHnGS">https://bit.ly/3kcHnGS</a>.
- 17. The *International Resources Panel (IRP)* cooperates with the One Planet Network in the Sustainable Consumption and Production Task Group. This Group is working to build a systematic process to develop reports that are "actionable" on Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP). It will zoom into value chains within three sectors (buildings, food, textiles) and regions/countries. Key messages will be extracted from thematic IRP reports and other sources and will be developed further through a series of consultations. The results of the Task Group will be presented at UNEA-5, including messages and conclusions relevant to a post COVID-19 recovery.
- 18. The *One Planet Network:* partners of the Network are demonstrating that achieving SDG 12 on sustainable consumption and production is key to a sustainable recovery from the pandemic and citing the targets in this SDG and other Goals that the Network is supporting. More information is available through the following links:
- COVID-19: a resource list on Food Systems and Nutrition responses
- Webinar: COVID-19 and Sustainable Food Systems Responses and innovations to tackle vulnerabilities and build back better
- 19. The *Partnership for Action on Green Economy (PAGE)* has identified ten major steps for building back better in response to the COVID-19 crisis:

- Incorporating the offer to support green stimulus through <u>PAGE in "A UN framework for the immediate socio-economic response to COVID-19".</u>
- Issued a COVID-19 Statement by the PAGE Management Board.
- Developed an "<u>observatory of COVID Impacts</u>" and mapping of <u>Fiscal and Finance Measures</u> in partner countries to inform PAGE programming.
- Established a PAGE COVID-19 Task Team consisting of UN Agencies and Funding Partners.
- Developed a PAGE COVID-19 Hub to provide latest knowledge and tools to decisionmakers.
- Conducted a <u>Green Recovery Needs Assessment</u> Survey of 20 PAGE countries and a <u>Brief Summary</u> was discussed with Funding Partners.
- Created a Green Recovery Challenge Fund to support 20 countries with their national COVID-19 responses; now capitalized at \$6 million thanks to an initial contribution from Germany.
- Initiation of a Rapid Modelling of COVID-19 impacts and establishing a group of experts that can help countries in designing green recovery/stimulus packages.
- Repurposing of PAGE Tools for Green Recovery Policies.
- Developed a joint Policy Paper with 10 other international initiatives: OECD; GGGI; GEC; and others. The paper identifies <u>Ten Priority Options for a Just, Green & Transformative Recovery.</u>
- 20. *UNEP Finance Initiative (UNEP FI)*: to help support their customers and in turn communities in the most effective ways, UNEP FI's coalition of over 200 banks from over 60 countries has been working on the following:
- UNEP FI has been sharing practices, solutions and lessons learned as they respond to the COVID-19 crisis and its economic impacts. More information available through this link: <a href="https://bit.ly/3m0Zq3r">https://bit.ly/3m0Zq3r</a>.
- UNEP FI has also been working with its members to share information and lessons of how they are
  responding to keep employees and customers safe during the crisis and to keep financing flowing to
  businesses and communities. Efforts have now shifted to the role of the finance sector in helping
  governments and communities build back better. <a href="https://bit.ly/3o2BuOY">https://bit.ly/3o2BuOY</a>.
- UNEP FI published an article on <u>how responsible banks can advance financial inclusion in the COVID-19 build back</u> (blog).
- UNEP FI's <u>Property Working Group</u> (PWG) convened virtually for two discussion forums to share information on how institutions are managing the public health and economic crisis from COVID-19, and thoughts on how institutions need to plan and operate for a post-crisis recovery.
- 21. Sustainable Infrastructure Partnership: investments in sustainable infrastructure will be key for building more resilient societies after the COVID-19 pandemic while also creating millions of jobs. These 10 principles provide a framework for decision-making on infrastructure spending for post-COVID-19 recovery and stimulus packages. They cover a range of important considerations, including SDG alignment, systems-level planning, employment creation, social and natural infrastructure integration, biodiversity and human rights impacts, transparency and consultative processes. While investments in economic infrastructure like roads and power plants are important, the COVID-19 pandemic highlights the need to focus also on inclusive social infrastructure. More information is available through these links: https://bit.ly/346MS4u; https://bit.ly/35aENLx.
- 22. Global Tourism Plastic Initiative (GTPI): this initiative is keeping its active engagement with tourism stakeholders and supporting their commitment to encourage new signatories. GTPI has also launched in July 2020 key recommendations for the tourism sector to continue taking action on plastic pollution during the COVID-19 recovery in partnership with UNWTO and the Ellen MacArthur Foundation. The recommendations are addressed to tourism stakeholders with the aim of supporting them to continue

fighting plastic pollution during the COVID-19 recovery. The document illustrates how reducing the plastic footprint, increasing the engagement of suppliers, working closer with waste service providers, and ensuring transparency on the actions taken, can significantly contribute to a responsible recovery of the tourism sector. More information is available through this link <a href="https://bit.ly/2IJgahp.">https://bit.ly/2IJgahp.</a>

- 23. Cool Coalition: is one of the sectors with a vital behind-the-scenes role in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic. It provides everything from the right temperature conditions to safely transport and store medicines. It also keeps patients and care givers safe and comfortable in both traditional healthcare facilities, as well as emergency hospitals assembled in halls, carparks, and other municipal spaces. The following companies (i.e. Danfoss, ENGIE, Electrolux, Empower and Mabe) are members of UNEP's Cool Coalition, which is a global partnership formed to reduce the climate impact of the cooling industry. These companies are not just on the frontline of this emerging health crisis but are also leading examples of how business representatives can support a more climate resilient recovery and build back better.
- 24. *District Energy in Cities Initiative*: this initiative and its partners are currently conducting advocacy and awareness raising on the economic, social and environmental benefits of modern district energy systems in a post COVID-19 world. The initiative engages private sector partners, including energy corporations, utilities, energy service companies and technology suppliers, to provide the technical support needed by cities and countries to deliver more high-efficient, resilient and cost-effective heating and cooling through district energy systems.
- 25. <u>Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction</u> (GlobalABC): in the COVID-19 context, the need for adequate housing was highlighted, and buildings have a critical role in addressing health problems from indoor air quality and increasing preparedness for climate induced risks such as heatwaves and floods. The UN Environment Programme has several upcoming virtual events highlighting such opportunities, e.g. with the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)/The Agence Française de Développement (AFD) led Programme for Energy in Buildings (PEEB) and the UNFCCC. With its partners, the UN Environment Programme is further narrowing the GlobalABC regional roadmaps down into sub-regional (Middle East, Southeast Asia) and national roadmaps. This will enable further awareness raising and engagement from local private sector stakeholders. With the buildings and construction sector being a major pillar of national economies, the UN Environment Programme will continue encouraging innovation and promoting locally adapted solutions, circularity and sustainably-sourced materials which offer new economic opportunities, create local jobs and skilled workforces.
- 26. Eco-innovation & RECPnet: in partnership with the Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production Network (RECPnet), the UN Environment Programme is supporting the small and medium-sized enterprises in building more resilient value chains by adding sustainability at the core of their business strategy: (1) by working on joint sustainable solutions to common problems, significant shared gains can be achieved with better commercial, environmental and social value; (2) greater material or production efficiency, minimized waste, optimization of distribution channels and reduced lead-time result in lower production costs; (3) good relationships built through a value chain approach have helped to develop proactive communication on emerging challenges and risks to adapt; (4) producers that rely less or not exclusively on import supplies (e.g. by sourcing certain materials locally or through on-site recycling) are less prone to the crisis. Ongoing activities, also in the response to UNEA-4 Resolution 4, includes development of an online training package on eco-innovation and updating the 'business case for eco-innovation' regarding resilience and post-COVID-19 recovery (building back better). These materials will be offered to all countries and specifically applied through projects in Colombia, Georgia, Moldova, Sri Lanka, among other countries.

- 27. *Transforming Tourism Value Chain project*: a COVID-19 response toolkit has been developed by the project to help tourism stakeholders to address the impact of the crisis. The focus of the project for 2020-2021 is on the implementation of the national roadmap for low carbon and resource efficient tourism.
- 28. Implementation of the Fifth Montevideo Programme for the Development and Periodic Review of Environmental Law, including the international community in the progressive development of environmental law. The activities will include monitoring of legal responses to COVID-19, assessing their impacts on environmental rule of law and establishing a digital platform that will act as a hub for information on COVID-19 and environmental rule of law. It is also developing advocacy and guidance materials on building back better, with an emphasis on waste management and nature-based solutions.
- 29. The UNEP/MAP-Barcelona Convention Secretariat has developed in June 2020 a blueprint on "UNEP/MAP Strategic response to the COVID-19 crisis" which was shared with contracting parties and partners. The participation of the private sector in view of promoting sustainable practices and life-cycle approaches, increasing the offer of sustainable products and services, and supporting green business and entrepreneurship will be crucial. By embracing sustainable and circular models, businesses can decouple economic activity from the consumption of raw materials vulnerable to climate risks and other crises and shocks, and build supply chains that are more diverse, distributed, flexible, and resilient. Furthermore, the blueprint highlights the recent COP-21 Decision on the "Development of a Set of Regional Measures to Support the Development of Green and Circular Businesses and to Strengthen the Demand for more Sustainable Products", which will be used as a basis in this respect and its implementation will take into consideration the COVID-19 crisis implications.

# IV. Highlights of Private Sector Engagement across Sub-programmes

- 30. Private sector engagement is critical to creating technology and business-based solutions, as well as providing resources to address our global environmental challenges. The UN Environment Programme has been working with private sector representatives and associations in the following areas: renewable and alternative energy, banking, finance, oil and gas, waste, water, food and beverages, agriculture and fisheries, forestry, electric power, heating and cooling, tire and transport, mining and metals, tourism, building and construction, chemicals including plastics and cosmetics, manufacturing including textile and leather, information and communication technology, and retail.
- 31. The UN Environment Programme has regular engagement with networks of professionals whose work can positively contribute to addressing environmental issues. The scope of work in 2020 with the private sector includes but is not limited to: financing and scaling up ecosystem-based adaptation; promotion of sustainable consumption and production practices; climate advocacy, information dissemination; protection of peatlands,; support of women to use renewable energy; and electric mobility promotion, among others.
- 32. Most efforts undertaken are through Divisions and Regional Offices where engaging the private sector seeks to cut across all UN Environment Programme Sub-programmes and support various Sustainable Development Goals. This section provides highlights of private sector engagement relevant to the UN Environment Programme's seven Sub-programmes.

# **Sub-programme 1: Climate Change**

- 33. Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction (GlobalABC): of the over 140 members of GlobalABC, 25 are private sector entities (enterprises and networks). Through sparking national alliances for buildings and construction GlobalABC brings private and public sector actors around one table to decarbonize the sector through effective policies and action on the ground. To date, the UN Environment Programme has sparked three national alliances, in Mexico, Morocco, and Tunisia. The regional roadmaps for Africa, Asia, and Latin America inform actors on steps needed for decarbonization. Under the Market Transformation Work Area, GlobalABC works with members on science-based targets, aligning private sector emission reduction targets with the Paris Agreement Goals. Under the Building Measurement, Data, and Information Work Area, the UN Environment Programme works with members on developing a Buildings Passport, helping developers and owners address whole life carbon of buildings. Through regional roundtables and high-level dialogues, GlobalABC brings together private and public sector actors on finding solutions for decarbonizing the sector along its lifecycle.
- Through the <u>Global Status Report for Buildings and Construction</u>: the UN Environment Programme will work with private sector members to highlight the opportunities of building back better; making use of recovery policy packages emphasizing the type of financial incentives and approaches required (e.g. retrofits and renovations) to make use of this window to decarbonize building practices along the value chain.
- 34. *Microfinance for Ecosystem-based Adaptation (MEbA) project*: the project builds capacity in Microfinance Institutions so that they may autonomously promote EbA loans. The project currently works with 11 private financial institutions (FIs) in 8 countries. There are 8 FIs in Latin America and the Caribbean and 3 FIs in West Africa. So far, more than 17,000 EbA loans have been financed, equivalent to \$27 million of private investment towards EbA. This is a leverage ratio of 4:1 (Project cost to Germany's Federal Ministry of the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMU) is €5 million. 11 EbA demonstration farms have been implemented, and more than 3,000 farmers have been trained on EbA methods. Several publications and communication materials, including a series of videos on EbA and microfinance have been produced. Please access the following links for more information on this project: https://unepmeba.org/media-resources/; https://unepmeba.org/
- 35. The Seed Capital Assistance Facility (SCAF): UN Environment Programme and the Frankfurt School have created the UNEP Collaborating Centre for Climate & Sustainable Energy Finance (FS-UNEP Centre) which has been working to advance transformation to resilient low carbon and resource-efficient economies by attracting and supporting new types of financing for climate action. Funded by the Global Environment Facility and the UN Foundation, Phase I of the Seed Capital Assistance Facility started in 2009. Over a seven-year period, the Facility worked with 10 investment partners and provided \$2.4 million of seed financing to 20 renewable energy projects in 14 developing countries in Africa and Asia. Phase II started in 2014 and will run until 2026, supported by contributions from the UK Department for International Development and the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, and Nuclear Safety.
- The Facility seeks eligible partners active in low and lower-middle income countries of Africa and Asia. It provides financial support on a cost-sharing and co-financing basis via private equity funds, venture capital funds and project development. SCAF projects are expected to avoid over 2.8 MtCO2e emissions per annum while serving nearly 40 million end use beneficiaries and creating over 13,500 local jobs.
- More specifically for 2020, the Facility has increased its reach in the South-East Asian market that was previously not as represented as the African market. So far in 2020 two new partners have been

onboarded. One partner focuses on onshore wind and solar photovoltaic opportunities in the Philippines and Vietnam while the other focuses energy storage and hydro power in Indonesia and Myanmar.

- 36. The *District Energy in Cities Initiative:* is a public-private partnership that supports national and local governments to build know-how and implement policies that will accelerate investment in low-carbon and high-efficient district heating and cooling systems. The Initiative is implementing activities in four pilot countries (Chile, China, India and Serbia), and ten replication countries (Argentina, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Colombia, Egypt, Malaysia, Mongolia, Morocco, Russia, the Seychelles and Tunisia). The initiative engages with the private sector at the local, national and international levels to support the development of demonstration projects in selected pilot cities. To date, there has been \$72 million of direct investments mitigating 1.9 M tCO2eq over 20 years.
- The *Initiative*, with support from its private sector partners is developing feasibility assessments, methodologies and tools, to help cities and countries identify and bring to the market high-efficient and low carbon district heating and cooling projects. During 2020-2021, the Initiative will be implementing activities in Argentina, Chile, China, Colombia, Egypt, India, Malaysia, Morocco, and Tunisia.
- 37. *Integrated Urban Systems Partnership*: this partnership was launched at UNEA-4 and engages private sector partners including energy utilities, energy service companies, suppliers of smart city solutions and electricity companies to promote innovative integrated solutions for cities that enable connecting key urban infrastructure towards a more efficient use of local resources, a higher integration of renewable energy sources, reduction of climate impact and improvement in urban air quality.
- 38. The *Partnership for Clean Fuels and Vehicles (PCFV)*: the PCFV brings together 73 partners drawn from developed and developing countries, the oil and vehicle industries, academia and civil society. Lead-free petrol, low sulphur fuels and advanced vehicle emission technologies were identified as 3 cost effective measures that could be implemented through the PCFV. These 3 measures are key to the UN Environment Programme's pollution and climate agendas, by reducing particulate matter and black carbon emissions. PCFV had grown to a membership of over 120 partners, 73 which reaffirmed their engagement. It was then that ExxonMobil, Total and others seized being independent partners but are represented through the International Petroleum Industry Environmental Conservation Association (IPIECA) the global oil and gas industry association. IPIECA, a not-for profit association, was formed in 1974 on the request of the UN Environment Programme to jointly address environmental and social issues related to the sector.
- 39. The *Climate & Clean Air Coalition (CCAC)*: the CCAC collaborated with the Business for Social Responsibility (BSR) and developed a private sector engagement strategy and a report released in 2016 that demonstrates that to take fast action on climate change, businesses should include measures to reduce short-lived climate pollutants (SLCPs).
- In 2014 the CCAC launched its Oil and Gas Methane Partnership (OGMP) at the UN Secretary General's Climate Summit. The OGMP was established to provide a protocol to help companies systematically manage their methane emissions from upstream oil and gas operations, as well as a credible platform to help them demonstrate this systematic approach and actual reductions to stakeholders. Current member companies are BP, Ecopetrol, Eni, Equinor, Neptune Energy International SA, Pemex, PTT, Repsol, Shell and Total. This workstream aims to address a critical lack

- of global methane measurement data in the oil and gas sector to help prioritize company actions and government policies for addressing this important SLCP emissions source.
- The Oil & Gas Climate Initiative (OGCI) has provided co-finance of \$6 million for the science studies. OGCI recently joined the Global Methane Alliance implemented under the *CCAC's Mineral Methane Initiative*. The Alliance brings together governments, financing institutions, international organizations, NGOs, and industry to support ambitious methane reduction targets from the oil and gas industry.
- In 2020, a new OGMP Reporting Framework 2.0 that will serve as the "gold standard" of methane reporting for oil and gas companies was agreed upon. Since the start of OGMP operations, participating companies surveyed over 70 assets in 15 countries and reported some 25,000 tonnes of methane emissions avoided and over 1,260 technological changes.
- Two papers of the CCAC Methane Studies have been published during the first half of 2020: "Methane Emissions from Offshore Oil and Gas Platforms in the Gulf of Mexico" and "Airborne Assessment of Methane Emissions from Offshore Platforms in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico". The UN Environment Programme is working to publish two more by the end of 2020. Going into 2021, further measurement campaigns will be pursued around the world in key regions of interest, including the facilitation of technical support on methane mitigation to governments and National Oil Companies (NOCs). In 2020-2021, the UN Environment Programme and partners will continue to convene regional and national meetings to raise awareness on methane emissions and will offer an online training programme to government and NOC representatives to learn more about methane emissions mitigation. As a result of COVID-19, many companies in the oil and gas sector were in need of government bailout. In some cases, these bailouts were tied to environmental performance.

#### **Sub-programme 2: Resilience to Disasters and Conflicts**

40. A partnership was established with the Aga Khan Foundation in May 2019 focusing on: mountain watershed management; ecosystem-based disaster risk reduction; livelihoods; and food security. The Aga Khan Foundation is the rural development agency within Aga Khan Development Network. The Aga Khan Foundation has been working in Afghanistan since 2002, with rural communities in mountainous, remote, and resource poor areas to improve their quality of life. Aga Khan Foundation has been implementing diverse projects with many donors in 19 provinces across Afghanistan including Bamyan, Daikundi and Takhar provinces which are UN Environment Programme's target provinces to implement interventions. For more information on this partnership please refer to the report's annex.

# **Sub-programme 3: Healthy and Productive Ecosystems**

- 41. The "AGRI3 Fund", a partnership led by the UN Environment Programme and Rabobank, is a \$1 billion sustainable agriculture and forestry initiative which has recently announced a \$40 million investment from the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs, an amount matched by Rabobank. Together these contributions will mobilize commercial finance, which can be used to finance sustainable agriculture and accelerate forest protection. For more information on this partnership please refer to the report's annex.
- 42. The GEF-funded project on "Establishing the National Framework and Operational Capacity for Implementing the Nagoya Protocol in Timor-Leste" (a 4-year project, with \$1.3 million funded by GEF plus \$4 million in co-finance). This project aims to support the development of the national framework and operational capacity for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol in Timor-Leste, in order to establish the conditions enabling sustainable access to the genetic resources of the country, delivering fair and equitable benefits to its people while protecting legal and customary ownership and traditional knowledge.

In addition, in order to demonstrate the potential benefits of genetic resources and associated traditional knowledge for national sustainable development, the project focuses also on stimulating research and business interests by building capacity and starting pre-investments in biodiversity research, bioprospecting and product development. In this regard, the partnership with Nimura Genetic Solutions (based in Japan) is being established, and through this collaboration, the project aims to build laboratory and research capacity for bioprospecting, which is expected to deliver monetary and non-monetary benefits to the country and, thereby, support the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity in Timor-Leste in the long term. The project in Timor-Leste is currently in an inception phase.

43. The UN Environment Programme, in collaboration with HELVETAS Myanmar, Sustainable Rice Platform (SRP) and PRIME Agri Limited, has been implementing the Climate Smart Rice project in Myanmar, with funding from NORAD (April 2019 - March 2022). The project aims to support the Government of Myanmar, the agri-business sector and smallholder rice farmers to stimulate transformation of the rice sector towards sustainability by promoting climate smart and resource-efficient best practices, and adoption of SRP Standard. The project collaborates with PRIME Agri Limited as a key private sector partner, engaged in the adoption of rice-based resilient farming systems with improved farmer livelihoods, as well as establishment of certified export and sustainable domestic rice value chains. Through this cooperation, in the first year of implementation, 1,386 farmers were trained on the SRP Standard. More tangible results will be expected in the coming years.<sup>3</sup>

# **Sub-programme 4: Environmental Governance**

- 44. Environmental Rule of Law and Business: The "Environmental Rule of Law Report", launched early in 2019, outlines the role of environmental rule of law in creating a fair framework for the sustainable management of businesses and fostering a culture of compliance. The impact on business of weak environmental rule of law, and the role that businesses can play to strengthen it, is weaved through all sections of the report. A partnership is being developed with the International Chamber of Commerce to include the private sector in delivering the Montevideo Environmental Law Programme. The partnership is to be finalized in 2020.
- 45. *Environmental Rights Initiative*: this Initiative is developing guiding materials on business responsibilities/responsible business conduct and environmental rights in cooperation with Dalhousie University, OECD, UNDP and OHCHR, as well as private sector actors. More will be reported in *2021*.
- 46. Climate Technology Centre and Network: The UNEP-DHI Centre is collaborating on an initiative called "Match" an online portal designed to link countries/people who need water-oriented technology solutions with private sector solution providers (i.e. national and international providers from multiple developing and developed countries). Usability testing on a simple prototype has *been* conducted with test users in Argentina, Denmark, India, and Myanmar. Inputs are now guiding the development of a beta version which is tentatively scheduled for release in early 2021.

# **Sub-programme 5: Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality**

47. Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM): a multi-stakeholder approach to sound chemicals and waste management. Private sector companies and industry associations play a key role in the strategic approach to foster action at all levels. The work has resulted in a Memorandum of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Please note that this project is also mentioned under the Resource Efficiency Sub-programme where updates on the SRP are listed.

Understanding between the International Council of Chemical Associations and the UN Environment Programme. More information is available in the report's annex.

- 48. *UNEP Sustainability Action*: the UN Environment Programme's International Environmental Technology Centre (IETC) is currently working with Fast Retailing Co., Ltd., Seven & i Holdings and Rakuten Inc., for sustainability. Online seminars and outreach activities are planned to be organized in the second half of 2020. A large number of consumers/customers will be influenced through these companies' networks, including their stores.
- 49. Global Partnership on Nutrient Management (GPNM): engagement with the International Fertilizer Association (IFA) and the International Fertilizer Development Center (IFDC) in the implementation of the GEF-funded project on 'Global foundations for reducing nutrient enrichment and oxygen depletion from land-based pollution, in support of Global Nutrient Cycle'; which focused on the global extent, nature and developing severity of the environmental problems caused by this nutrient excess, including air and ground water pollution, and in the case of coastal waters eutrophication and oxygen depletion and the associated damage to ecosystems, biodiversity and coastal water quality.
- 50. The *Air Quality and Mobility Unit Global Programme* is set to regulate the trade in used vehicles. This new programme will work with governments and the used vehicles industry to set minimum standards for the trade in used vehicles from developed to developing countries. In 2021, the focus will be on Africa. As a response to COVID-19, the sales of used vehicles have gone up and sped up the switch to zero emissions mobility. This new programme will support the global shift to electric mobility and will cooperate with the private sector, especially the vehicle industry and fleet operators. In 2021, the Unit will support 60 country projects and set up global working groups and regional investment platforms.

# **Sub-programme 6: Resource Efficiency**

- 51. The *UN Alliance for Sustainable Fashion* was officially launched at UNEA-4 on 14 March 2019. Its Steering Committee adopted an interagency work plan at its 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting on the eve of the Environment Assembly on 9 March 2019. Jointly served by International Trade Centre and the UN Environment Programme, the Alliance supported engagement with the private sector through outreach and collaboration in 2019 through the United Nations Office for Partnerships (UNOP) Conscious Fashion Initiative and UN Secretary General's Act Now! Campaign for Climate Action culminating at the UN General Assembly (UNGA) 2019.
- Further outreach supported the UNFCCC Fashion Industry Charter for Climate Action and adoption by leading fashion brands of the *Science-based Targets (SBTi) initiative*, spearheaded by UNOP and World Resource Initiative. The UN Environment Programme undertook a study, "Circularity and Sustainability in the Textile Value Chain" which was launched in a webinar jointly organized with the Green Growth Knowledge Partnership to identify hotspots and opportunities for the sector on 20 October 2020. For 2021, the Alliance will help UNCTAD kick off the 1st UN International Year of Creative Economy for Sustainable Development (15 March) and develop a CEO toolkit on implementing sustainability norms called Fashion ReSET, led by International Trade Centre's (ITC) Ethical Fashion Initiative.
- 52. UNEP FI supports the global finance sector principles to catalyze integration of sustainability into financial market practice. In 2020, UNEP FI has initiated programme activities to ensure credibility and accountability of the private sector engagements. The Principles for Responsible Banking (PRB) governing body established modalities for delisting signatories who fail to meet commitments and Terms of

References for a PRB Civil Society Advisory Body. The focus is on implementation of commitments, with highlights including engagement of more than 230 banks in 11 working groups to support implementation of the PRB, focusing on technical guidance and tools in key areas such as impact analysis and target setting. A group of 38 PRB signatories has established a Collective Commitment to Climate Action which will see them align their overall lending portfolios with the Paris Agreement objectives.

- Several activities are also underway on climate disclosure with UNEP FI joint methodologies
  developed with leaders from the banking, investment and insurance sectors. UNEP FI is piloting the
  Financial Stability Board recommendations on Climate-Related Financial Risks and Opportunities with
  banks and insurers to increase technical understanding and disclosure of the implications of climate
  change scenarios for the industry, linking science to financial risk assessment.
- UNEP FI expanded the UN-convened Net Zero Asset Owner Alliance to engage 29 institutional investors representing \$5 trillion in assets roughly the size of Germany's economy to secure their commitment to transition investment portfolios to net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050.
- The Alliance is preparing to release their 1.5C aligned net zero investment framework with the first milestone target of 2025. It also initiated the development of Insurance Sustainable Development Goals to enable the insurance industry to scale up its contribution to achieving the SDGs; engaged insurers in the development of guidance on integrating sustainability issues into insurance underwriting; engaged more than 40 banks and investors in ecosystems projects including sustainable blue economy financing, aligning portfolios with the post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework and developing guidance for banks to set targets on biodiversity; supported the launch of an informal working group comprised mainly of financial institutions to work towards the launch of a Task Force on Nature-related Finance Disclosures; and will enhance methodologies and tools to undertake corporate and portfolio impact analysis.
- Other UNEP-FI highlights in 2020 includes the following (i) the coalition of banking signatories is
  making progress in aligning businesses with the Paris Agreement and SDGs and further development of
  a Portfolio Impact Analysis Tool for Banks, a step forward for holistic impact analysis in banking; (ii)
  released report in partnership with Acclimatise to advance knowledge in the banking industry of the
  physical risks and opportunities related to climate change; and (iii) initiated development of guidance to
  finance a sustainable blue economy.
- UNEP FI hosted its 16th Global Roundtable virtually on 13–14 October 2020, in collaboration with Responsible Investor. UNEP FI's biennial Global Roundtable (GRT) is a major global agenda-setting event on sustainable finance. Held under the theme of "Financing a Resilient Future", the GRT brought together decision-makers, experts and thought leaders on a virtual event platform, to help shape approaches to integrating environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues and accelerating sustainable banking, insurance and investment.
- UNEP launched a report titled "Financing Circularity: Demystifying Finance for the Circular Economy" on 13 October 2020. The report calls on the financial sector to scale up financing to accelerate the shift to circular business models and sets out practical steps that financial institutions can take to manage the transition from a linear to a circular economy. Findings aim to enable the industry to address risks and opportunities in the transition, which will involve changes in a range of sectors, digital /technology innovation and structural change of production and consumption systems. The report also calls on regulators and policymakers to create enabling policy and legislative frameworks to integrate circularity into financial products and services. <a href="https://www.unepfi.org/category/publications/">https://www.unepfi.org/category/publications/</a>

- 53. The <u>Sustainable Rice Platform</u> (SRP) co-convened by the UN Environment Programme includes 106 institutional members, of which 60% are private sector actors. The SRP is currently in a transition period, as it becomes its own independent body with a transitional period in the first quarter of 2021. The following entries below are updates on the SRP:
- GEF7 Child programmes in Asia now include rice producers and buyers.
- Pakistan based SDC-funded Water Productivity Project has expanded to include new off-takers.
- NORAD/SDC-funded Myanmar Climate-Smart Rice Project worth \$5.9 million is currently working
  with contract growers, off-takers and buyers to expand sustainable value chains in Myanmar's
  domestic, regional, and global markets.
- SRP's Assurance Scheme was launched on 14 August 2020 to support sustainable rice procurement in private sector rice value chains. Mars (Uncle Ben's Rice) and Ebro Food are committed to buying 80,000 metric tonnes per year of SRP-verified rice, with Lidl & Tesco also expected to commit support (€2 million over 3 years) for the SRP Secretariat's capacity building and organizational development through 2020-2022. All activities contribute to upscaling impact; increasing the recognition of the importance of sustainable rice as a mitigation tool for Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs); multilaterals recognizing rice as core to landscape-level approaches; increasing traction on private sector demand due to the availability of the Assurance Scheme and bringing SRP-verified rice to retailer shelves. The SRP has been shortlisted for MacArthur Prize (\$100 million) and nominated for the Food Planet Prize (\$1 million).
- 54. The UN Environment Programme is partnering with the *Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production Network (RECPnet)* and is engaging its members as national technical intermediaries to provide support to the SMEs on sustainable business practices, including a UNEP eco-innovation approach. Historically established by the UN Environment Programme and UNIDO, the RECPnet is now independent and has recently joined the Green Industry Platform. Ongoing collaboration on eco-innovation with RECPnet members covers Colombia, Peru, Sri Lanka, and future engagement is expected in Africa.
- Through the partnership with RECPnet, the UN Environment Programme has supported SMEs in building more resilient value chains by adding sustainability at the core of their business strategy: (i) by working on joint sustainable solutions to common problems, significant shared gains can be achieved with better commercial, environmental and social value; (ii) greater material or production efficiency, minimized waste, optimization of distribution channels and reduced lead-time result in lower production costs; (iii) good relationships built through a value chain approach help develop proactive communication on emerging challenges and risks to adapt; and (iv) producers that rely less or not exclusively on import supplies (e.g. by sourcing certain materials locally or through on-site recycling) are less prone to crises. Working with RECPnet members as national technical intermediaries to provide support to the SMEs on eco-innovation has proven an effective means to building country ownership and sustaining results. Success stories from such partnerships are available at this link: <a href="http://unep.ecoinnovation.org/success-stories/">http://unep.ecoinnovation.org/success-stories/</a>
- 55. The UN Environment Programme is co-chairing the *Partnership for Accelerating Circular Economy (PACE)*, together with the Global Environment Facility and Philips. PACE is a global public-private collaboration, hosted by the World Economic Forum. The focus of PACE on developing projects in the areas of plastic, food and agriculture, and electronics has led to multiple other initiatives and projects. In the case of the UN Environment Programme, this has materialized in the launch in June 2019 of a project funded by the Global Environment Facility targeting circularity in the electronics value chain in Nigeria

with funding worth \$2 million. In June 2020 it also led to the approval of the preparatory phase of a UN Environment Programme project aimed at promoting the implementation of circular economy models for plastics in cities in the Latin American region. It also led to the development of guidance on the inclusion of circularity requirements in sustainable procurement processes. The work on the development of metrics to track progress on building circularity is led by the World Resources Institute (WRI) and the Circle Economy, which was initiated in April 2019.

- In July 2019, PACE added textiles and fashion to its thematic priorities. Those workstreams developed their substantive content in 2020. Two affiliate projects rely on a strong engagement of UN Environment Programme Regional Offices: these are the African Circular Economy Alliance, whose official launching took place during the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment in November 2019 and the creation of a circular economy coalition for Latin America and the Caribbean, whose development initiated in 2020. Executive Director, Inger Andersen joined the Board of the Platform in March 2020. The Platform operates along key objective for each of the seven focus areas (electronics and capital equipment, plastics, food and agriculture, fashion and textile, metrics, climate and other systems initiatives).
- 56. The *New Plastics Economy Global Commitment* was launched at the "Our Oceans Conference" in Bali (Indonesia) on 29 October 2018. Led by the Ellen MacArthur Foundation (EMF) in collaboration with UN Environment Programme, the New Plastics Economy Global Commitment presents a unique opportunity for businesses and governments to step forward as global leaders in addressing plastic waste and pollution: signatories will be recognized as front-runners in the shift towards a circular economy for plastics. The Commitment aims to act as a lighthouse, enabling front running businesses and governments to inspire others and lead by example.
- The actions in the Global Commitment were co-designed by the UN Environment Programme and the EMF for each key stakeholder in the plastics value chain. EMF leads the engagement with the private sector while the UN Environment Programme leads the engagement with governments. The progress report in 2020 (to be published in November 2020) is enhancing the efforts in quantitative tracking of commitments; it is also aligning with the Beat Pollution platform for the UN Environment Programme's Implementation Plan Towards a Pollution-Free Planet. The Global Commitment already joins over 500 signatories from all stakeholders. From the private sector, these represent over 20% of all the plastic packaging produced globally. With the commitments by three major global consumer goods companies, by 2025, 25 million barrels of oil will be kept in the ground annually due to reduced plastic consumption (equivalent to saving eight million tonnes CO2 per year). Further results available in the 2019 progress report.
- 57. The *Transforming Tourism Value Chains* project aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase resource efficiency in three tourism value chains: food and beverage, accommodation and Meetings, Incentives, Conferences and Events (MICE). The project is currently working with over 100 tourism businesses from the Dominican Republic, Saint Lucia, Mauritius and the Philippines to analyze value chains, prepare policy recommendations, develop action plans that will help reduce emissions and develop a related monitoring system. The project is also gathering Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and resource efficiency data from hotels. National roadmaps for a low carbon and resource efficient tourism have been developed for the Dominican Republic, Philippines, Mauritius and Saint Lucia with key targets for 2030. The Dominican Republic has integrated the project and the national roadmap as key actions in their national Sustainable Consumption Production (SCP) plan.

- 58. The *Global Tourism Plastics Initiative* (*GTPI*) <u>launched</u> in January 2020 unites the tourism sector behind a common vision to address the root causes of plastic pollution. It enables businesses, governments, and other tourism stakeholders to take concerted action, leading by example in the shift towards circularity in the use of plastics. GTPI is currently working with 24 leading tourism companies (first announcement of signatories was made on 22 July 2020), suppliers, business associations, NGOs, consultancies and certification schemes which are signatories of the Initiative. GTPI supports their commitments to work by 2025 towards the implementation of the circular economy of plastics and the elimination of unnecessary single-use plastics, transition to reuse models and use of reusable, recyclable, or compostable plastic packaging and items. Commitments for tourism businesses have been developed in a collaborative and participatory manner, and business working groups established to work on emerging issues such as the COVID-19 response and impacts on plastic pollution.
- 59. The <u>Life Cycle Initiative</u> is a public-private, multi-stakeholder partnership launched in 2002, enabling the global use of credible life cycle knowledge by private and public decision makers. The Initiative is at the interface between users and experts of Life Cycle approaches. It provides a global forum to ensure a science-based, consensus-building process to support decisions and policies towards the shared vision of sustainability as a public good. It delivers authoritative opinions on sound tools and approaches by engaging its multi-stakeholder partnership (including governments, businesses, scientific and civil society organizations).
- The Initiative facilitates the application of life cycle knowledge in the global sustainable development agenda in order to achieve global goals faster and more efficiently. In 2020, specific companies have been engaging in projects such as linking the SDGs to business strategy through life cycle impact pathways (Corbion; Novozymes; ArcelorMittal), as well as in the revision of the Social Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) guidelines (Aptar; BMW; Confetti Pelino; Japfa; International Copper Association; Ponzio; Tata Steel), to name a few. Through projects mentioned, the participating companies are further focusing their sustainability strategies on those aspects of the SDGs that are most material for their operations and through their value chains, and/or identifying potential social hotspots and designing innovation strategies beyond legal compliance across their value chains.

# **Sub-programme 7: Environment Under Review**

60. The UN Environment Programme launched its flagship sixth Global Environment Outlook (GEO-6) report in March 2019. A derivative product of GEO-6 is the recently launched <u>GEO for Business</u> which is a suite of briefs (10-15 pages long) that aims to inform, engage and stimulate action and business transformation on the environmental issues identified in GEO-6. GEO for Business will be produced as a set of six thematic 'business briefs' throughout 2020 and 2021.

# V. The UN Environment Programme's Corporate Strategy on Private Sector Engagement

61. To support the effective implementation of its Programme of Work, the UN Environment Programme has developed a <u>five-year Strategy for Private Sector Engagement</u> to enable the organization to identify and foster effective partnerships with key private sector entities and other stakeholders, while identifying and managing potential associated risks. The Strategy also focuses on the role the UN Environment Programme can play in partnering with the private sector and other stakeholders to scale up and accelerate the momentum for market change, business action and transformation towards the achievement of the Agenda 2030.

- 62. Furthermore, the Strategy will help promote awareness and guide the development of reaching out to the highest corporate levels, by assisting the UN Environment Programme with a framework of principles, models of collaboration, monitoring and evaluation modalities for effective dialogue and engagement with corporate leaders focusing on minimizing any negative environmental impact. It also aims to expand the donor base and generate support for the UN Environment Programme from non-traditional sources, such as the private sector.
- 63. The Strategy was approved by the Senior Management Team and was also shared with member States during the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Sub-Committee Meeting on 11 October 2019. An Implementation Plan has been developed and is being rolled out to ensure that staff are aware and have the capacity to deliver effectively on the Strategy.
- 64. As part of the knowledge sharing and capacity building of the Strategy for Private Sector Engagement and its Implementation Plan, a series of webinars on experiences engaging the private sector has been rolled out early 2020. The first three webinars focused on finance and agriculture, and over 120 UN Environment Programme staff members participated to share experience and knowledge; information; challenges and lessons learnt from engaging the private sector. For the remainder of 2020, two more webinars on experiences related to engaging the private sector are planned out, one showcasing the CCAC initiative, and the other will involve a platform linking women, sustainable energy systems and the private sector in Africa.

# VI. Private Sector engagement in the work of the UN Environment Programme's Policy-Making Organs

- 65. It is indicated in the proposal by the UNEA President to adopt a "two-step" approach which will allow the convening of the fifth UN Environment Assembly (UNEA-5) in February 2021, in a virtual format with a revised and streamlined agenda. This February session will be complemented by a second component in the form of a resumed UNEA-5 to be held in-person in Nairobi in early 2022 in a soon to be defined and agreed upon format.
- 66. The UN Environment Assembly provides a platform for governments, private sector and civil society to catalyse and build the policies, partnerships and a culture of innovation that will support the solutions and systemic change needed for sustainability to thrive.

# VII. Activities and Events during 2020 - 2021 for Private Sector Engagement

- 67. The Act #ForNature Global Online Forum, which was held from 7 to 10 June 2020, brought together citizens, government and non-governmental organizations, businesses and scientific institutions from around the world to engage in a series of discussions across a diverse range of topics from healthy ecosystems and marine plastics to global food systems, youth and more. The forum included several townhalls, including Townhall 2, which showcased the GEO-for-Business Brief 1 entitled "Adapt to Thrive: What Transformational Change Means for Business and how nature plays a role in the transformation". The actions that governments could take to aid business transformation was discussed, the Global Environment Outlook for Business process was introduced, and the findings of the sixth Global Environment Outlook were highlighted.
- 68. On 15-16 June 2020, the UN Global Compact (UNGC) celebrated its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a global virtual conference titled the "Leaders Summit" which brought together leaders from the business

community, governments, UN agencies and civil society to discuss how to recover better, stronger, and together post COVID-19. As one of the four guardians of the UNGC Ten Principles, the UN Environment Programme had an exclusive booth, which showcased over 10 different projects and initiatives through a series of online sessions and participated in high level roundtable discussions as well during the Summit.

- 69. Multiple Discovery Sessions to discuss the Medium-Term Strategy for 2022-2025 took place in 2020 and included UN Environment Programme staff, representatives from the Committee of Permanent Representatives, Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs), non-governmental organizations, faith-based organizations, youth and the private sector as part of the strategic pillar of the UN Environment Programme's transformation process. The private sector Discovery Session allowed the UN Environment Programme to share its emerging vision and Medium-Term Strategy with its constituencies and to gather useful insight and feedback regarding environmental challenges and the roles the business community can play to enable the UN Environment Programme to provide global environmental leadership and catalyze necessary action.
- 70. The UN Environment Programme engaged North America based companies directly in regional consultations in the lead up to UNEA-5. Consultation with approximately 40 Sustainability Directors was held on 14 October and was organized in partnership with MIT Solve and the World Environment Center.
- 71. The UN Environment Programme will promote and support the roll-out and uptake of science-based innovative environmental solutions. This will allow governments and other stakeholders to use high-quality and open environmental data, analyses and participatory processes that strengthen the science-policy interface to generate evidence-based environmental assessments, identify emerging issues and foster policy action. In partnership with scientific institutions, academia, investors (private and development finance institutions) as well as technology companies and within the framework of a circular and green economy, the following activities will be carried out: (i) horizon scanning and awareness-raising, which will include the production of policy briefs; (ii) studies focusing on social, environmental and financial feasibility; (iii) technical assistance and capacity building for the development of promising and potentially bankable innovative projects, nature-based solutions including natural capital accounting and use of innovative financing; and (iv) provide evidence-based scientific information, including the necessary enabling conditions for the roll-out of investments and the scale up of environment solutions notably through the UN Science-Policy-Business Forum.
- 72. The UN Environment Programme with the support of the UN-REDD Programme, will launch the *1 Green Gigaton Challenge* at UNEA-5. The short-term goal is to secure the equivalent of a gigaton in private and public sector investments in nature-based solutions (NBS) with forest conservation and restoration as priorities. The long-term goal is to set in motion an accelerating process of private and public investments in NBS akin to that already experienced in renewable energy. The 1 Green Gigaton Challenge will include 20 founding partners from leading private sector companies. By 2025, the aim is to expand the partnership to 60 members and secure the equivalent of 5 gigatons in investments in nature-based solutions with a priority on conserving and restoring forests. The 1 Green Gigaton Challenge is modeled after successful initiatives like the UNEP-FI and the UN-REDD Programme.

# VIII. Suggested recommendations to the Committee of Permanent Representatives

73. It is recommended that the Secretariat continues to inform on an annual basis to the Committee of Permanent Representatives on the progress of engagement with the private sector.

# Table of Established Partnerships between the UN Environment Programme and the Private Sector from 2017-2020 as of 13 November 2020

	Partner(s)	UNEP Lead/Division	Duration of Agreement(s)	Operational Status of Partner	Themes/Areas of Cooperation	Sub-programme of Work Related to Agreement(s)	Progress on Implementation of Agreement(s)	Achievements, Including Success Stories	Financial Implications/Transfer of Funds
1.	ADEC Innovations Corporation	Shereen Zorba, Science Division	(20.04.2017 – 31.12.2019) Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Facilitate the interpretation of sustainability trends in response to the changing natural environment; strengthening UNEP's strategy to keep the environment under review through a better prioritization of environmental issues and the development of new tools and methodologies; and support the engagement of civil society in the of work of UNEP.	Sub-programme 7 - Environment under Review	Concluded.	None reported.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
2.	Adobe Inc.	Lisa Rolls, Communication Division Gabriel Grimsditch, Ecosystems Division	(15.10.2020 – 15.10.2022)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Joint marketing, communication, and activities leveraging the networks, including influential voices and social media of UNEP, for the ocean conservation campaign, Ocean League.	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	Collaborate in the Glowing, glowing, gone campaign.  Involving Influencers and Ambassadors to amplify the joint ocean conservation campaign.	UNEP has reached millions of people with the Glowing campaign that targets to raise awareness on coral reef conservation and threats of climate change to coral reef ecosystems globally.	None.
3.	African Leadership (Mauritius) Limited ("ALU")	Bianca Notarbartolo, Ecosystems Division	(22.08.2019 – 22.08.2021)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Private University	Ecosystems and Biodiversity.	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	Ongoing.	Preparation of a draft working paper on the scoping study that analyzes and explores opportunities for diversifying the wildlife economy in Kenya.  Preparation of a draft working paper on understanding the opportunity cost of land-use in the Kavango-Zambezi Transfrontier Conservation Area (KAZA TFCA) in Southern Africa.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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4.	Aga Khan Foundation	Hassan Partow, Policy and Programme Division	(14.05.2019 – 30.11.2020)	Foundation	Mountain watershed management; Ecosystem-based disaster risk reduction; and Livelihoods and food security.	Sub-programme 2 - Resilience to Disasters and Conflict	Progress is well on track with implementation of around 75% of planned activities including key field interventions.  Due to delays caused by COVID-19 lockdown restrictions, the agreement has been initially extended until 30 November 2020, with a view for a follow-up revision until September 2021 (project extension approval by the European Union is in progress).	Official endorsement of integrated management plan for Deh Shahr mountain catchment in Badakhshan Province (Afghanistan) and establishment of local natural resources management committee.  Development of a successful demonstration catchment management model combining disaster risk reduction, natural resource management and livelihoods including implementation of torrent training works, reforestation, soil conservation, rangeland management, and adoption of renewable energy technologies.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.
5.	AGRI3 Fund Manager B.V.	Ivo Mulder, Ecosystems Division	(22.08.2020 – 22.08.2022)	Trust Fund	Stabilizing agriculture's footprint by proactively stimulating a greater degree of public and especially private finance to be directed to deforestation-free and inclusive commodity production and other forms of sustainable land use.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change. Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	A Memorandum of Understanding with AGRI3 Fund Manager has been signed.  A donor agreement is under discussion.	Initial projects are under discussion.  It is expected that the first deals will be closed in Q4 of 2020.	Planned positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
6.	Al Baraka Banking Group B.S.C.	Sabine Sakr, West Asia Office	(2019 – 2021)	Large Enterprise – corporation	Sustainable Finance Schemes; and Renewable Energy.	UNEP will support the bank in tracking the environmental aspects of sustainability projects.	Ongoing.	AI Baraka Banking Group is the first among banks in the West Asia region to sign the UN Principles of Responsible Banking.  Al Baraka pledged \$197 million for 2019-2020 in support of renewable energy and energy efficiency projects in the bank's operating countries.	None reported.

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7.	Aljazeera Media Network ("Aljazeera")	Angela Kariuki, Law Division	(13.02.2019 – 13.02.2020) Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Training and awareness raising.	Sub-programme 4 - Environmental Governance	Concluded.	UNEP conducted training for 40 Aljazeera journalists on environmental rights, biodiversity, and environmental defenders. The training was held at Aljazeera HQ in Doha.  UNEP participated in a conference to mark the anniversary of Aljazeera's Centre for Human Rights where UNEP's work and programme on environmental rights was presented.  UNEP provided inputs to a series of videos produced by Aljazeera that focused on the environment and people at the frontlines of environmental protection. Through this exercise, UNEP was able to offer policy, legal advice, and messaging on this issue.  UNEP acted as the main contact point for Aljazeera writers to connect with defender networks working in the field across the regions to enable them to include defender related issues in their stories and reports.	None.
8.	Ant Small and Micro Financial Services Group Co., Ltd ("ANT")	Sarah Zaidi, Economy Division	(05.09.2016 – 05.09.2018) Expired – Renewal in process	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Fintech, sustainable finance, and sustainable development.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	The Green Digital Finance Alliance (GDFA) was launched, which is co-chaired by UNEP and ANT.  ANT is in progress of joining UNEP-FI.  Significant work carried out under other areas of cooperation, which will be continued under the renewed agreement.	UNEP and ANT jointly launched the Green Digital Finance Alliance (GDFA).  ANT and UNEP are collaborating to extend the ANT Forest  Programme and establish the basis on which it can be replicated by members of the GDFA.  UNEP Inquiry/ANT published a report titled 'Scaling Citizen Action on Climate'.  UNEP Inquiry contributed to GDFA's report 'Digital Technologies for Mobilizing Sustainable Finance'.  UNEP Inquiry/GDFA published 'Digital Technology Shaping Green and Sustainable Lifestyles'.	None.

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9.	Argor-Heraeus SA ("Argor")	Ludovic Bernaudat, Economy Division	(16.04.2018 – 31.12.2020)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	GEF GOLD programme in Mongolia and the Philippines.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	In progress – agreement to be extended.	Argor is an active partner of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) GOLD programme and they have committed to work with three participating countries to offtake the mercury-free gold which will be produced through the programme. Argor also provided contacts of gold consumers (i.e. the jewellery industry) who are now being approached for a more active participation in the Programme. Argor has been a standing member of the Programme Advisory Committee.	None.
10.	Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators	Daniel Cooney, Communication Division	(17.04.2018 – 17.04.2020) Expired	Small and Medium Enterprise – International Association	Marine pollution.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Concluded.	Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators has raised awareness around the Clean Seas campaign and marine litter, including organizing several clean- ups in Svalbard, Norway.	None.
11.	Beijing Capital International Airport Co., Ltd.	Daniel Cooney, Communication Division	(04.06.2019 – 30.06.2024) Renewed	State Owned Enterprise – Corporation	Exhibitions at Beijing Capital International Airport.	Communication efforts relate to all Sub-programmes	Exhibitions in the airport is reaching travelers with messages of sustainability.	UNEP reached millions of people with the exhibitions on various campaigns and UNEP's priority topics.	None.
12.	Banco de Comercio Exterior de Colombia S.A.	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(26.07.2019 – 26.07.2021)	Second tier Bank - Commercial Development Bank	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation (MEbA).	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Close collaboration continues.	\$5 million pilot credit line to promote EbA loans is being published.  A readiness proposal to develop a GCF project and support accreditation is underway.  Further information is accessible through this link: https://unepmeba.org/	None.
13.	Banco de Fomento Agropecuario	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(11.10.2018 – 11.10.2020) Expired – Renewal in process	Large Enterprise – Bank	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation (MEbA).	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Implementation on track. The Financial Institution is receiving technical assistance and disbursing EbA loans.	Implementation of two EbA demonstration farms worth \$6.3 million in EbA loans disbursed.  Partnership in \$1.25 million GEF proposal on blended finance.  Further information is accessible through this link: https://unepmeba.org/	None.

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14.	Banco de las Microfinanzas Bancamía S.A.	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(08.04.2020 – 31.12.2021)	Large Enterprise – Bank	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation (MEbA).	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Collaboration continues regarding training on EbA via demonstration farm and disbursement of EbA loans.	One demonstration farm implemented. \$1.8 million in EbA loans disbursed.  Further information is accessible through this link: https://unepmeba.org/	None.
15.	Banco Desarrollo de los Pueblos S.A.	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(09.05.2019 – 09.05.2021)	Large Enterprise – Bank	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation (MEbA).	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Implementation on track. The Financial Institution is receiving technical assistance and disbursing EbA loans.	Disbursement of EbA loans being finalized.  Further information is accessible through this link: <a href="https://unepmeba.org/">https://unepmeba.org/</a>	None.
16.	Beijing Didi Infinity Technology and Development Co., Ltd ("Didi")	Daniel Cooney, Communication Division	(27.08.2018 – 27.08.2020)  Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Air pollution and the BreatheLife campaign.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	For World Environment Day (WED) in 2019, Didi worked with UNEP on its  #BeatAirPollution campaign which saw more than 13,000,000 people involved in carpooling & biking for commutes in China, Brazil, and Chile. On its mobile microsite H5, 11,574 people committed to carpooling and biking. Didi's President Jean Liu also supported the blue-sky selfie campaign on social media.  For WED in 2020, Didi's Application team developed an online mini game to encourage its users to explore the nature/biodiversity and shared knowledge on why it is important to protect biodiversity in cities and how we humans are connected with nature on a daily basis. A poster which could be shared on social media was generated. Didi's branding Ambassador and President supported the WED activities, as well. More than 15,000 people were actively engaged in the mini game.	UNEP's campaigns and key messages have been successfully communicated to Didi users in a creative way. Sustainable transportation examples, such as carpooling and biking, are encouraged in Didi's platform through incentives such as rewarding points and membership discounts. Didi is also committed to transform to e-mobilities by replacing its cars to new energy vehicles, such as electrical ones.	None.

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17.	Beijing Mobike Technology Co. Ltd	Rob de Jong, Economy Division	(11.09.2017 – 11.09.2019) Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Non-Motorized Transport/Shared Mobility.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	The bike sharing in the UN Compound is extremely successful and popular with staff and visitors.  Mobike representatives come for maintenance purposes.	Since 2018 to present, several government representatives, students and public visitors visiting the UN compound have been briefed on the bike-sharing system.	None.
18.	Beijing Shouhang IHW Resources Saving Technology Co., Ltd	Shereen Zorba, Science Division	(17.12.2019 – 01.03.2020) Extended until the end of January 2021	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Science-Business- Policy Forum Donor	Sub-programme 7 - Environment under Review	None reported.	None reported.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
19.	Beijing Weimeng Technology Co., Ltd. ("Weibo")	Daniel Cooney, Communication Division	(16.05.2017 – 16.05.2019) Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Plastic pollution, support across sub- programmes.	Communication efforts relate to all Sub-programmes	The partner provided support to UNEP's campaigns such as Wild for Life, Clean Seas and Beat Pollution as well as key events including WED and UNEA. The partner also provided funding support to Champions of the Earth through a three-year donor agreement. In 2018, the partner also created a China-based franchise for the Young Champions.	The partner's platform also awarded the Wild For Life campaign as one of the top 10 most influential advocacy campaigns in China for 2016.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
20.	BMW De Mexico, S.A. DE C.V.	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and the Caribbean Office	(07.08.2018 – 07.08.2020) Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Electric mobility and climate change.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Concluded.	Since late 2018, BMW provided a zero-cost leasing for six months to UNEP of an electric vehicle (BMW i3s) with its respective charging unit.	None.

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21.	BNP Paribas SA (two separate agreements signed)	Ivo Mulder, Ecosystems Division  Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and the Caribbean Office	(23.10.2017 – 23.10.2019) Renewed (08.02.2019 – 08.02.2021)	Large Enterprise – Bank	Bring long-term finance to projects and companies that stimulate green growth and improve rural livelihoods with significant social and environmental impact in Indonesia.  Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation (MEbA).	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change.  Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems.  Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	UNEP's work with BNP Paribas is progressing well on several fronts. In Indonesia through the Tropical Landscape Financing Facility (TLFF), and in India through the Sustainable India Finance Facility.  Projects are being identified in various parts of the world (such as Brazil and Côte d'Ivoire).  A senior representative of BNP Paribas SA has attended UNEP's "UN Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation" conference in October 2018 in Cote d'Ivoire.  Close collaboration continues.	In 2018, BNP Paribas issued the first 'TLFF Landscape Bond'.  A new partnership was announced in September for a Global Fund for Coral Reefs in which UNEP will work with BNP Paribas, the Prince Albert Foundation and Vulcan.  BNP Paribas is supporting Financial Institutions (Fundación dela Mujer in Colombia and Caurie MF in Senegal) in receiving technical assistance from the Micro-finance for Ecosystem-based Adaptation (MEbA) project.  A series of videos have been produced with collaborating partners. Please access the videos through this link: https://unepmeba.org/media-resources/  Further information is accessible through this link: https://unepmeba.org/	None.
22.	Bottletop Foundation	Lisa Rolls, Communication Division	(10.01.2019 – 01.07.2024)	Foundation	Biodiversity focusing on SDG 14 and 15; resource mobilization; and pilot for campaigns.	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	UNEP branding modalities are being finalized for potential fund- raising efforts in collaboration with Bottletop Foundation.	None yet.	None reported.

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23.	BP p.l.c.	Giulia Ferrini, Economy Division	(27.10.2015 – valid until termination)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Oil and Gas Methane Partnership (OGMP) 2.0 – transparent reporting on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	In January 2020, OGMP members agreed to an updated framework (OGMP 2.0) that will commit them to greatly expand the scope of emissions disclosure. This will allow for better targeting of regulatory measures.  The Memoranda of Understanding are being amended to reflect the changes to the framework and the ambition of this partnership of becoming the international platform for Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) for methane emissions from the entire oil and natural gas value chain.  Since its inception in 2014, OGMP has successfully raised awareness on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector. When it was launched at the UN Climate Summit in 2014, OGMP was the first multi-stakeholder partnership working on methane emissions.	Today, its ten member companies represent many of the largest oil and gas operators in the world and are responsible for over 15% of oil and gas production globally. These companies set the industry standard for methane reporting. OGMP member companies collectively reported 25,000 tonnes of methane emissions avoided in the first three years after joining OGMP, corresponding to 2 million tons of CO2 equivalent. The impact of these reductions is equivalent to removing over 130,000 passenger cars from the road.  OGMP partners also worked to encourage methane mitigation to other actors in the industry through a series of Technical Guidance Documents (TGD) presenting suggested methodologies for quantifying methane emissions from nine core emission sources. These TGDs are considered best practices in the field and are widely used by practitioners beyond OGMP member companies for guidance on methane emissions.  In October 2020, the European Commission report on methane emissions stated that the Commission will table in 2021 a legislative proposal on compulsory measurement, reporting and verification for all energy-related methane emissions, building on the OGMP methodology.	None.
24.	Broad Group	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	Letter of Co- finance (2020 – 2023)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Support the District Energy in Cities Initiative in promoting knowledge and awareness on alternative uses of energy for cooling.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Ongoing.	None reported.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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25.	Build Your Dreams (BYD)	Rob de Jong, Economy Division	(07.08.2017 – 07.08.2019) Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Electric mobility.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change. Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Concluded.	BYD and Shenzhen Shenling donated to UN medical services collectively 80,000 surgical face masks to combat the COVID-19 pandemic in Kenya as a goodwill gesture.	None.
26.	Caja Rural de Ahorro y Crédito Los Andes S.A.	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(03.10.2018 – 03.10.2020) Expired	Small and Medium Enterprise – Bank	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Implementation on track. The Microfinance Institution has been assessed and is deciding whether to continue with the microfinance for the ecosystem-based adaption pilot roll-out.	Likely to request going to the pilot roll-out phase.  There is an improved assessment methodology.	None.
27.	Cataratas do Iguacu S/A ("Cataratas Group")	Denise Hamú, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(04.06.2020 – 30.06.2022)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Engagement of tourists, suppliers, and employees on the conservation of the environment, through sustainable tourism and sustainable production and consumption practices.  Reducing use of plastics in partner's activities.  Promotion and dissemination of knowledge on the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration.  Developing of sustainable tourism in Fernando de Noronha (Brazil) based on the application of a sustainable asset evaluation methodology.  Developing joint activities to celebrate World Environment Day (WED).	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems. Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	The partnership promoted joint events related to WED 2020, however, the plan of work is currently being revised in a joint effort to detail the activities and ensure deliverables on all fronts.	Cataratas Group hosted WED celebrations across its parks in 2020, garnishing attention through virtual events and promoting debates throughout the whole week on matters of conservation and sustainable tourism.  The main ecotourism company in Brazil, the Cataratas Group is responsible for managing visits to nature attractions and the country's most important national parks, such as: Iguaçu National Park (Cataratas S/A), Tijuca National Park (Paineiras Corcovado) and Marine National Park of Fernando de Noronha (EcoNoronha). Its other operations are in: Aquário Marinho do Rio, BioParque do Rio and Marco das Três Fronteiras.	None.

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28.	China Energy Conservation and Environmental Protection Group (CECEP)	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	(11.09.2017 – 11.09.2019)  The agreement has been extended until 31.05.2021.	State Owned Enterprise – Corporation	Feasibility studies and planning for modern district energy systems in Chinese cities.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) of the Republic of China provided a letter to UNEP to officially designate the CECEP to undertake work on the District Energy in Cities Initiative in China.	Since the Memorandum of Understanding was signed, UNEP has been working closely with this partner to engage cities in China on the District Energy in Cities Initiative. Several cities have expressed interest and sent letters of commitment. A joint website has been created; training materials have been translated into Chinese; a joint training workshop has been held together with CECEP and NDRC; and with the China Energy Conservation and Environmental Protection Group.	None.
29.	Climate Change Media Ltd	Carlota Estalella, Communication Division	(16.10.2017 – 16.10.2020) Expired	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Establish and build partnerships between business, government, and public bodies to accelerate international sustainable development and advance the 'green economy' through the organization of events such as the Sustainable Innovation Forum.	Communication efforts relate to all Sub-programmes	Concluded.	None reported.	None reported.
30.	Coca-Cola Company	Barbara Hendrie, North America Office	(09.04.2018 – 09.04.2020) Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Plastic pollution.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste, and Air Quality. Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Joint Actions Plans for three regional initiatives were agreed in 2019.	Work has been underway on collaboration in Thailand, Malaysia, and Kenya. Some progress achieved.	None.
31.	Confederation of Indian Industry ("CII")	Atul Bagai, Asia and Pacific Office	(13.10.2018 – 12.10.2020) Expired	Consortium of corporates from Business & Industry	UnPlastic Collective (UPC), reports, surveys and knowledge papers, multiple conferences, and summits.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Proactive outreach for enhancing UPC membership, followed by capacity building and knowledge sharing activities, such as CEO Round Table and CII Sustainability Summit.	WWF India also joined the UnPlastic Collective as a steering partner. An advisory Committee is going to be formed and the names have been decided. Fifteen corporations have become members.	None.

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32.	Coöperative Circle Economy U.A.	André Confiado and Sharon Gil, Economy Division	(12.11.2019 – 01.07.2020) Expired	Cooperative / Social Enterprise	Joint development of a methodology to calculate the jobs developed in a circular economy at the city level.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Funding has been received and activities have been completed.	Work started last year upon signature of the agreement. The methodology has been developed and reviewed by external parties. The methodology has been piloted in a few cities, and initial results obtained.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
33.	Cooperative Rabobank U.A., Nederlandse Financierings – Maatschappij voor Ontwikkelingsland en N.V. ("FMO"), and IDH Sustainable Trade Initiative	Ivo Mulder, Ecosystems Division	(19.07.2018 – 19.07.2020) <b>Expired</b>	Large Enterprises – Banks and Initiatives	Jointly stimulate best practices, stabilizing agriculture's footprint and restoring quality of land use for agriculture and forestry. The FMO shares knowledge and expertise on blended finance; IDH provides technical assistance and expertise on fund management.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change. Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	The fund to turn this partnership operational – called AGRI3 Fund – was launched on 24 October 2018 in Singapore.	AGRI3 Fund has committed capital of \$90 million (\$40 million from Rabobank, \$40 million from the Dutch government and \$10 million from GEF).  First deals are expected to be closed in Q4 2020.	None.
34.	Covestro Deutschland AG	Daniel Cooney, Communication Division	(07.02.2017 – 31.12.2019)  The agreement has been extended to 31.03.2021.	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Young Champions of the Earth.	Communication efforts relate to all Sub-programmes	Funds have been received.	Successfully implemented years 1 and 2 of the programme; implementation of year 3 is ongoing.  Further information is accessible through this link: https://web.unep.org/youngchampions/	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
35.	Crezcamos S.A.	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(04.09.2018 – 04.09.2020) <b>Expired</b>	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation (MEbA).	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Concluded.	More than \$230,000 disbursed in micro lending towards ecosystem-based adaption.	None.

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36.	Danfoss	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	Letter of Commitment (2016 – 2020)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	District energy systems.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Successful delivery to date as per letter of commitment provided by Danfoss and as per tri-partied Memorandum of Understanding between the collaborating centre, UNEP, and Danfoss Foundation.	Jointly mobilized \$1.5 million from the Danfoss Foundation to provide technical advice through a team of experts seconded to the District Energy in Cities Initiative. This allowed us to help cities design financially and environmentally-sound district energy projects in more than 25 cities.  In addition, Danfoss provided \$1.2 million in-kind and co-financed the partnership for study tours, communication activities, capacity building, and the provision of market data.  The Chief Executive Officer provided op-eds/opinion pieces and several media engagements on behalf of the Initiative. The Chief Executive Officer participated at political forums, such the Climate Summit, Conference of the Parties among other events.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
37.	DB Insurance	Yuki Yasui, Economy Division	(31.10.2019 – 31.01.2021)	Large Enterprise – Insurance Corporation	Environmental pollution and awareness raising.	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	Contributed to high-level workshop on a pollution-free planet in Seoul and in process to undertake study on environmental pollution liability.	Successful High-Level Workshop on "A Pollution-Free Planet": Industry, Sustainable and Climate Finance, held in 2019.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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38	Deloitte Risk Advisory SDN. BHD.	Yuki Yasui, Economy Division	(2020 – 2022)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Cooperate in the development of agenda, communities and markets on sustainable finance and SDGs financing; collaborate on communication activities to disseminate information on sustainable finance and private sector alignment to the SDGs; coordinate workshops and events. Seek opportunities to collaborate in the development and running of training activities; and seek opportunities to collaborate in the creation of knowledge and information on sustainable finance.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Newly signed agreement.	None available yet.	None reported.
39	Descartes Labs, Inc.	Winnie Gaitho, Science Division	(07.09.2019 – 07.09.2021)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Identification of environmental issues and the development of new tools and methodologies, analytical data tools and big earth data solutions, among other areas of cooperation.	Sub-programme 7 - Environment under Review	None reported.	None reported.	None reported.

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40.	Discovery Communications, LLC	Lisa Rolls, Communication Division	(19.09.2017 – 19.09.2019)  Expired - the activities with this partner in the later part of the agreement have been limited to areas around sharing content, particularly on their digital platforms.  Therefore, UNEP has agreed that these can be taken forward without a formal agreement at this time.	Large Enterprise – Company	Wildlife trade, plus other organizational priorities.	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	Discovery and UNEP are engaged in a fruitful partnership (as part of the Wild for Life Campaign) that has included a variety of activities in New York, Hanoi, and Johannesburg to promote Wild for Life and UNEP's biodiversity work.  Discovery promotes all the campaigns across their global social media platforms, significantly expanding outreach and audience. Discovery, as a content provider and distribution channel, will be a key partner in building the Wild for Life 2.0.	Collaboration at CITES Conference of Parties (CoP) in 2016 on a Wild for Life booth, which was the most well attended and interactive booth.  Discovery and UNEP hosted a Wild for Life event at the US Embassy in Johannesburg (CITES CoP) and in Hanoi (Hanoi Conference on Wildlife Crime) to launch the wildlife crime Public Service Announcement and encourage participants to join Wild for Life.  The partners jointly hosted a highlevel stakeholder dialogue on the status of conservation and announce the designation of Ben Fogle UNEP's Patron of Wilderness during the General Assembly in 2017.  Collaboration on the Wild for Life Big Challenge and Discovery sponsored the Tiger Team Challenge.	None.

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41.	Ecopetrol S.A.	Giulia Ferrini, Economy Division	(27.10.2015 – valid until termination)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Oil and Gas Methane Partnership (OGMP) 2.0 – transparent reporting on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	In January 2020, OGMP members agreed to an updated framework (OGMP 2.0) that will commit them to greatly expand the scope of emissions disclosure. This will allow for better targeting of regulatory measures.  The Memoranda of Understanding are being amended to reflect the changes to the framework and the ambition of this partnership of becoming the international platform for Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) for methane emissions from the entire oil and natural gas value chain.  Since its inception in 2014, OGMP has successfully raised awareness on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector. When it was launched at the UN Climate Summit in 2014, OGMP was the first multi-stakeholder partnership working on methane emissions.	Today, its ten member companies represent many of the largest oil and gas operators in the world and are responsible for over 15% of oil and gas production globally. These companies set the industry standard for methane reporting. OGMP member companies collectively reported 25,000 tonnes of methane emissions avoided in the first three years after joining OGMP, corresponding to 2 million tons of CO2 equivalent. The impact of these reductions is equivalent to removing over 130,000 passenger cars from the road.  OGMP partners also worked to encourage methane mitigation to other actors in the industry through a series of Technical Guidance Documents (TGD) presenting suggested methodologies for quantifying methane emissions from nine core emission sources. These TGDs are considered best practices in the field and are widely used by practitioners beyond OGMP member companies for guidance on methane emissions.  In October 2020, the European Commission report on methane emissions stated that the Commission will table in 2021 a legislative proposal on compulsory measurement, reporting and verification for all energy-related methane emissions, building on the OGMP methodology.	None.

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42.	EMPOWER	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	Letter of Commitment (2016 – 2020)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	N/A	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Successful delivery to date as per letter of commitment provided by EMPOWER.	Provided the time and expertise of the Chief Executive Officer by acting as a special advisor on district cooling to the District Energy in Cities Initiative.  Experts were sent to conduct assessments in India. Training and workshops were delivered. The production of a promotional video on district cooling and international conferences and forums on district cooling in Egypt and Dubai ware sponsored.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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S	Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) (multiple signed agreements)	Rowena Elemento, Asia and the Pacific Regional Office  Lily Riahi, Economy Division	(03.12.2018 – 15.12.2019)  Expired (02.01.2017 – 02.01.2022)	State Owned Enterprise – Company	Exchange information, promote and develop best practice recommendations to support regions and countries in increasing their energy efficiency and energy access, including the development of business models and financial mechanisms, and collaboration with electrical utilities and financial institutions.  Developing an assessment of current state and landscape for integrated solutions to urban waste management focusing on plastic waste; to assess the problem of air pollution and develop solutions landscape through a multi-pronged approach with special focus on electrical; and to engage stakeholders in managing plastics and air pollution in cities in Maharashtra.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	UNEP and EESL worked with the Maharashtra Government (India) to supercharge the e-mobility era in the State.	Jointly organized a workshop in Mumbai for international experts and key policymakers focused on India's strategic pathway for climate change resilience and promoting transformative technologies for energy sustainability.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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44.	ENGIE	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	Letter of Commitment (2016 – 2020)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	District energy in cities.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Successful delivery to date as per Letter of Commitment provided by ENGIE.	Through study tours, trainings and technical assessments, ENGIE worked with UNEP to help design Chile's national government Document of Strategy of Chile (DES). This strategy was adopted in the presidential plan and will result in significant reduction of Green House Emissions and air pollution (numbers can be provided).  The Company provided over \$800,000 in capacity building through study tours for local and national delegates (from India, Malaysia, Chile); pre-feasibility assessments in 10 cities; and joint design and delivery of trainings.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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45.	Eni S.P.A.	Giulia Ferrini, Economy Division	(27.10.2015 – valid until termination)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Oil and Gas Methane Partnership 2.0 – transparent reporting on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	In January 2020, OGMP members agreed to an updated framework (OGMP 2.0) that will commit them to greatly expand the scope of emissions disclosure. This will allow for better targeting of regulatory measures.  The Memoranda of Understanding are being amended to reflect the changes to the framework and the ambition of this partnership of becoming the international platform for Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) for methane emissions from the entire oil and natural gas value chain.  Since its inception in 2014, OGMP has successfully raised awareness on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector. When it was launched at the UN Climate Summit in 2014, OGMP was the first multi-stakeholder partnership working on methane emissions.	Today, its ten member companies represent many of the largest oil and gas operators in the world and are responsible for over 15% of oil and gas production globally. These companies set the industry standard for methane reporting. OGMP member companies collectively reported 25,000 tonnes of methane emissions avoided in the first three years after joining OGMP, corresponding to 2 million tons of CO2 equivalent. The impact of these reductions is equivalent to removing over 130,000 passenger cars from the road.  OGMP partners also worked to encourage methane mitigation to other actors in the industry through a series of Technical Guidance Documents (TGD) presenting suggested methodologies for quantifying methane emissions from nine core emission sources. These TGDs are considered best practices in the field and are widely used by practitioners beyond OGMP member companies for guidance on methane emissions.  In October 2020, the European Commission report on methane emissions stated that the Commission will table in 2021 a legislative proposal on compulsory measurement, reporting and verification for all energy-related methane emissions, building on the OGMP methodology.	None.

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46.	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) (*in this instance treated as a private sector entity)	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	Letter of Commitment (2016 – 2020)	International Financial Institution	Financing of investments identified in UNEP projects.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Successful delivery to date as per letter of exchange with the Programme, Economy Division, Climate Technology Centre and Network, and European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD).  Committed to invest in Egypt. Seawater district cooling is now considered feasible. Joint mobilization of \$500,000 in funding from the Kigali Efficiency Climate Programme (KCEP) to the Initiative for a district cooling project in Egypt. Provided technical data, detailed review and analysis of assessments to ensure that they are bankable and shared.  Previously undertaken feasibility studies in select cities to be improved upon.	Co-financed a feasibility study in Banja Luka (Bosnia and Herzegovina). Recommendations were adopted by the city council and a call for tender was issued based on the results of the feasibility study.  Total project investment leveraged from Initiative activities: €17.8 million (\$21.3 million).  EBRD approving a €8.4 million (\$10 million) loan. The plant officially opened on 15 March 2018 and will cut carbon dioxide emissions by 91% and Sulphur dioxide emissions by 94%.  Press releases, and other forms of outreach like presentation made to UNEP's CPR on the successful collaboration with EBRD. Hosted a study tour for delegates from Egypt in Jordan fostering South-South transfer of knowledge.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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47.	Equinor ASA	Giulia Ferrini, Economy Division	(27.10.2015 – valid until termination)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Oil and Gas Methane Partnership 2.0 – transparent reporting on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	In January 2020, OGMP members agreed to an updated framework (OGMP 2.0) that will commit them to greatly expand the scope of emissions disclosure. This will allow for better targeting of regulatory measures.  The Memoranda of Understanding are being amended to reflect the changes to the framework and the ambition of this partnership of becoming the international platform for Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) for methane emissions from the entire oil and natural gas value chain.  Since its inception in 2014, OGMP has successfully raised awareness on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector. When it was launched at the UN Climate Summit in 2014, OGMP was the first multi-stakeholder partnership working on methane emissions.	Today, its ten member companies represent many of the largest oil and gas operators in the world and are responsible for over 15% of oil and gas production globally. These companies set the industry standard for methane reporting. OGMP member companies collectively reported 25,000 tonnes of methane emissions avoided in the first three years after joining OGMP, corresponding to 2 million tons of CO2 equivalent. The impact of these reductions is equivalent to removing over 130,000 passenger cars from the road.  OGMP partners also worked to encourage methane mitigation to other actors in the industry through a series of Technical Guidance Documents (TGD) presenting suggested methodologies for quantifying methane emissions from nine core emission sources. These TGDs are considered best practices in the field and are widely used by practitioners beyond OGMP member companies for guidance on methane emissions.  In October 2020, the European Commission report on methane emissions stated that the Commission will table in 2021 a legislative proposal on compulsory measurement, reporting and verification for all energy-related methane emissions, building on the OGMP methodology.	None.

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48.	Ethiopian Airlines Group	Gudeta Selamawit, Africa Office	(20.03.2018 – 20.03.2020) Expired	State Owned Enterprise – Company	Operationalization of the 'Plant one tree for every passenger flown' project within UNEP ongoing REDD+ programme in Ethiopia, supporting the greening of Ethiopian Airline's business and raising environmental awareness.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	With regards to the partnership with Ethiopian Airlines, UNEP/Africa Office has prepared an operationalization matrix with the planned activities. The aim is to use a phased-in approach, capturing any low-hanging fruit.  The activities table will be shared with Ethiopian Airlines Management through a letter for feedback. It is intended to call for a joint working session between UNEP's relevant Divisions/Offices with Ethiopian Airlines, hopefully before the end of October.	None reported.	None.
49.	Far North Productions Limited	Imae Ann, Asia and Pacific Office	(01.06.2020 – 01.06.2022)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Far North Productions will produce and fund a short film on air pollution.  UNEP will provide technical expertise to support the production, including access to UNEP expert commentary.  Inspire positive action to beat air pollution through worldwide dissemination of the short film on UNEP's websites and social media channels and potentially beyond.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change.  Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Not yet started due to travel restrictions.	None yet.	None.

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50.	Formula E Operations Limited	Daniel Cooney, Communication Division	(06.04.2017 – 06.04.2019)  Expired – Renewal in process	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Air pollution and electric mobility.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change.  Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency.  Sub-programme 7 - Environment under Review	UNEP launched a global partnership with Formula E to improve inner-city air quality – continuing to boost the profile of alternative energy solutions and the increased uptake of electric vehicles.  UNEP organized a series of events at the Formula E races, as well as communication campaigns to raise awareness of the benefits of electric vehicles among younger generations and motorsport fans globally.  UNEP is exploring a donor agreement to be signed this year and the negotiations are well under way.  Formula E has already raised \$5,000 as contribution toward programmatic work undertaken by UNEP.	Lucas di Grassi, Brazilian race car driver, joined us this year as UNEP's Clean Air Advocate to help us reach future consumers of electric cars, and challenge major cities and governments to take act to tackle pollution.  At Season 5 of Formula E, UNEP launched several activities including, a new Public Service Announcement, new advocates to speak about different pollution issues, a new fan-based event at the races in Mexico, Paris, Berlin & New York, and to improve the sustainability of the races – starting by making them single-use plastic free and reducing waste streams.	Planned positive contribution to UNEP.
51.	France Medias Monde	Mohamed Atani, Africa Office	(06.06.2018 – 06.06.2020) Expired	State Owned Enterprise – Company	Partnership on brand visibility and capacity building for journalists.	Communication efforts relate to all Sub-programmes	None reported.	None reported.	None reported.
52.	Fundacion delamujer Colombia S.A.S.	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(27.11.2018 – 27.11.2020)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation (MEbA).	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Implementation delayed by COVID-19. Awaiting Financial Institution's go ahead to relaunch technical assistance.	One of six financial institutions who signed on to the MEbA pilot rollout. Support from BNP Paribas in co-financing technical assistance.  Improved assessment and implementation methodology.	None.

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53.	GCL System Integration Technology Co., Ltd. ("GCL")	Mushtaq Ahmed Memon, Asia and Pacific Office	(19.05.2020 – 30.09.2020) Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Support start-ups under UNEP's "Low Carbon Lifestyle Challenge" supported by 10YFP/One Planet Network.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	GCL has shared the information needed in the beginning of the project.	The start-ups have successfully completed the training at the Bootcamp and are now updating their business models, products and services and developing marketing and pitching materials for the investment opportunities.  At the end of the project, there will be successful stories to support young entrepreneurs to focus on the products, services and business models for low-carbon lifestyles in various sectors including energy, housing, mobility, packaging and so on.	None.
54.	Global Climate Partnership Fund S.A., SICAV-SIF ("GCPF")	Mark Radka, Economy Division	(27.06.2017 – 31.03.2022)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Energy efficiency country assessments and baselines.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Collaboration is well underway and will shift to the financing of energy efficiency measures.	U4E and GCPF have completed country baselines covering lighting and appliances which were developed for 12 countries. The reports are being used to develop financing lines with local banks for energy efficient products.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
55.	Google Inc.	Saiful Ridwan Corporate Services Division	(27.06.2018 – 27.06.2020) Renewed	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Earth observation environmental data for supporting SDG monitoring and reporting.	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems. Sub-programme 7 - Environment under Review	The partnership was officially launched during the High-Level Political Forum in New York on 16 July 2018.  Since the launch, progress has been made towards developing and launching the end-user tool to provide freshwater data to all users.  Currently in discussion with Google to develop plastic pollution detection models.	None reported.	None.
56.	Grassroots Capital Management Corp., PBC	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(29.06.2020 – 29.06.2022)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Investment Manager	Microfinance for Ecosystem-based Adaptation (MEbA).	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Collaboration is starting. Initial arrangements are being discussed regarding the GEF-financed proposal "CC-Blend".	To be determined as the agreement was recently signed.	None.

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57.	Guangzhou Pearl River New Town Energy Co., Ltd	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	Letter of Commitment (2016 – 2020)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Collecting and developing case studies and organizing on-site visits for the purpose of rising awareness on the subject of district energy to Initiatives cities; designing and delivering training workshops on district energy developing scenarios to showcase district energy options against next available technology; undertaking citylevel assessments and developing cool demand mapping; supporting local barriers analysis and contributing to policy and regulatory recommendations.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	None reported.	None reported.	None reported.
58.	H&M Hennes & Mauritz	Sonia Gueorguiev, Science Division	(24.08.2020 – 31.12.2024)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Help private sector create more resilient supply chains and support H&M Group in developing their approach on biodiversity, agriculture and water.	Not applicable	Agreement has been signed recently.	Agreement has been signed recently.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
59.	Handelens Miljøfond	Heidi Savelli- Soderberg, Ecosystems Division	(15.08.2018 – 15.08.2020) <b>Expired</b>	Small and Medium Business – Association	Marine litter, environmental policy, and financing.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Concluded.	None reported.	None.

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60.	Honeywell International Middle East	Sabine Sakr, West Asia Office	(01.03.2018 – 01.03.2020)  Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Support the coherent implementation of the environmental dimensions of sustainable development, specifically SDG 6 and 13.  Programmes launched for raising awareness of the private sector on Sustainable Development Goals 7 and 13.  Enhancement of the use of the available communication means (conventional and electronic including social media) to raise awareness and promote sustainable developments programmes with respect to Goals 7 and 13.  Promotion of the concepts and best practices of sustainable production and consumption, as related to Goals 7 and 13.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change.  Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality.  Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	The partnership was officially launched with a press release in Dubai on 1 March 2018.	No major achievements except for knowledge-sharing sessions on recent technological advancements in the foam sector.	None.

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61.	Iberdrola	Gustavo Mañez, Climate Change Division	(03.12.2019 – 28.02.2021)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Collaborate in the development and regional dissemination of the contents, recommendations, and key messages of the report "Carbone Cero America Latina y el Caribe".  The result will be a document that assesses the prospects for net decarbonization in Latin America and the Caribbean and presents scenarios with measures that would be necessary to adopt in terms of electricity generation from renewable sources and the electrification of the transportation sector.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change.	In process of implementation, the agreement was amended and extended to February 2021.	None available yet.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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62.	Independent University, Bangladesh	Mozaharul Alam, Asia and the Pacific Office	(2015 – 2019)  Expired	Private University – represented by the International Centre for Climate Change and Development (ICCCAD)	The agreements were signed to support the participation of additional participants from Least Developed Countries (LDCs) through the UNDP-UN Environment National Adaptation Plan Global Support Programme (NAP-GSP) for the Gobeshona Conference as well as to advance the South-South collaborative network for enhancing research capacity and expertise in climate change adaptation amongst academic institutions in LDCs.  It also aims to ensure knowledge on advancing the NAP process is shared and sustained, and to support, enhance and sustain South-South learning and exchange.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	The Small-Scale Funding Agreements were signed on: 14.12.2015; 05.01.2017; 25.01.2018; and 15.01.2019	ICCCAD has successfully delivered all activities and outputs as stipulated in the agreement including advancing delivery of LDCs Group work programme under the UNFCCC.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.
63.	Ingersoll Rand Company	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	Letter of Commitment (2016 – 2020)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Partnership contributes to the District Energy in Cities Initiative.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	None reported.	None reported.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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64.	International Business Machines Corporation ("IBM")	Shereen Zorba, Science Division	(20.11.2017 – 20.11.2019)  Extended until the end of 2020 December, Renewal in process.	Large Enterprise – Corporation	IBM has been a member of the UN Science-Policy-Business Forum on the Environment Governing Consortium since its creation in 2017 participating to discussions and panels during both Global Sessions and ad hoc meetings. IBM has been a key stakeholder in the promotion of innovation and technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Remote Sensing and the Internet of Things to tackle climate change and protect the environment.	Sub-programme 7 - Environment under Review	A proof of concept project between IBM, UN Science-Policy-Business Forum and the Global Partnership on Marine Litter will use advanced digital technologies to help monitor and provide innovative solutions to tackling marine plastic pollution on a global scale.	None reported.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
65.	International Council of Chemical Associations (ICCA)	Nalini Sharma, Economy Division	(07.06.2016 – 31.12.2019) <b>Expired</b>	Association of Industries	Voluntary and legal systems to improve sound chemical management in Global Chemical Industry Supply Chains; and Sound management of Chemicals and waste beyond 2020.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality.	ICCA has contributed \$600,000 to the SAICM secretariat since 2017 through a donor agreement that will expire in July 2021.	On 17 August 2020, ICCA and UNEP agreed to pursue a new MOU.  It is an opportunity to increase joint ambition level and strengthen cooperation that builds on successes and lessons learned from the current MOU. Elements of the new MOU will include increased focus on the SDGs and stronger principles for responsible chemicals and waste management.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
66.	International Fertilizer Association Limited	Shereen Zorba, Science Division	(20.02.2020 – 30.07.2020) Expired, Renewal in process	Association of Industries	Partnership contributes to the Science-Business- Policy Forum.	Sub-programme 7 - Environment under Review	None reported.	None reported.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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67.	International Finance Corporation (*in this instance treated as a private sector entity)	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	Letter of Commitment (2017 – 2020)	International Financial Institution	Financing of investments identified in UNEP projects.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Successful delivery to date as per letter of commitment provided by the International Finance Corporation, India Office.	Provided \$100,000 in cash co- finance of district cooling assessments in two Indian cities. Joint workshop with six countries and participating cities financed by the International Finance Corporation. Feasibility and regulatory analysis on district energy and public-private partnership potential in six countries shared with the District Energy in Cities Initiative.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
68.	IQAir AG	Sean Khan, Science Division	(30.07.2019 – 30.07.2021)	Large Enterprise – Company	Raise awareness on pollution among communities and citizens through participation in air pollution monitoring and dialogue.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality.	Ongoing.	In February 2020, UNEP, together with UN-Habitat and IQAir launched the world's largest air quality data platform, bringing together real-time air pollution data from over 4,000 contributors, including citizens, communities, governments and the private sector to work towards healthier, more sustainable cities.  The UNEP platform builds upon IQAir's technology to aggregate, validate, and calibrate air quality data that up until now was either restricted to individually run websites or applications, or not shared publicly.  For more information: https://bit.ly/2FUvOWb	None reported.

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69.	Kenya Airways Limited ("KQ")	Lisa Rolls, Communication Division	(24.01.2017 – 24.01.2019)  Expired – UNEP is currently developing a new MOU that expands the scope beyond messaging and focus on Illegal Trade in Wildlife (ITW) to more programmatic and supply chain/operation activities. This was on hold due to Covid-19 but will resume in January.	State Owned Enterprise – Corporation	Illegal Trade in Wildlife, plastic pollution.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate change.  Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	The Ecosystems Project on Tackling the Illegal Trade in Wildlife - but potential for broader engagement around greening transport and operations; and a broader campaign messaging.  As part of its commitment to tackling wildlife crime, KQ was one of the first signatories to the Wildlife Trafficking Transport Taskforce.  KQ has run the Wild for Life campaign for the last two years on its in-flight entertainment system, reaching tens of thousands of passengers.  It has undertaken two employee workshops with UNEP and partners including USAID and Freeland, to build capacity and education on how to report and catch wildlife criminals. It will launch the Wild for Life Kids Pack and film series this fall on all KA flights.	UNEP is in the process of identifying a launch event for the Kids Pack and film series that would include both heads of organizations.  Kenya Airways is a valuable partner for dissemination of messaging in the short term and longer term for greening business practices. Furthermore, transport companies play a key role in tackling wildlife trafficking through both passenger and handling touch points and cargo operations.  There is huge potential to expand this relationship through its international SKYTEAM partner network, which includes 19 airlines.  Kids pack assets available through this link: https://bit.ly/2J3lgkH  Film series available through this link: https://bit.ly/2OxSnTF	None.
70.	Kering	Sonia Gueorguiev, Science Division	(08.04.2019 – 31.12.2019)  Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Kering provided a non-earmarked contribution to the IPBES trust fund.  This non-earmarked funding contributed to the implementation of IPBES' work programme.	Not applicable.	Concluded.	The funds from the donor contributed to the implementation of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) work programme 2014-2018 for the year 2019, which includes the finalization of the global assessment of biodiversity and ecosystem services.  The second year of the assessment of the sustainable use of wild species, the second year of the assessment on values, and the first year of the assessment of invasive alien species.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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71.	KPMG Advisory Services Limited	Jessica Troni, Ecosystems Division	(25.05.2018 – 25.05.2020) Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Adaptation technology acceleration.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Concluded.	None reported.	None.
72.	KT Corporation	Saiful Ridwan, Corporate Services Division	(18.12.2018 – 18.12.2020)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Adoption of emerging technologies such as big data, internet of things (IoT), and artificial intelligence for the environmental sector.	Sub-programme 7 - Environment Under Review	Currently in discussion for an agreement to use KT's Air Map Korea technology for air quality monitoring; and for UNEP to have access to KT's big data infrastructure.  It has been difficult to establish a follow-up agreement with KT, among others due to the situation where additional partners are required to carry out the areas of cooperation.	None reported.	None.
73.	La Banque Agricole	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and the Caribbean Office	(25.05.2020 – 31.12.2021)	Large Enterprise – Bank	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation (MEbA).	Sub-Programme 1 - Climate Change	Implementation on track. Financial Institution is receiving technical assistance and will soon start disbursing EbA loans.  Implementation of an EbA demonstration farm is being planned.	To be determined as the agreement was recently signed.	None.
74.	Laboratoires de biologie végétale Yves Rocher	Sonia Gueorguiev, Science Division	(19.12.2018 – 31.12.2019) Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Non-earmarked contribution to the IPBES trust fund, that will contribute, for the year 2019, to finance uptake events on the Global Assessment, co-authors' meetings and capacity-building meetings.	Not applicable.	IPBES, known as the 'IPCC of Biodiversity', does not have field projects to finance. Only scientific assessments and capacity-building activities of the Platform are financed.	A small financial contribution given.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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75.	Lavazza Foundation	Daniel Cooney, Communication Division	(29.08.2018 – 29.08.2020) Expired	Large Enterprise – Foundation	Climate Change.	Communication Efforts relate to all Sub-programmes	UNEP has worked with the Foundation to identify projects in which people have a positive impact on the environment.  The Foundation's 2019 calendar featured a number of UNEP projects that met the selected criteria.	The 2019 calendar gave UNEP projects increased visibility to broader audiences.	None.
76.	Litterati LLC	Catherine Beltrandi, Communication Division	(26.07.2018 – 26.07.2019) Expired	Small and Medium Business – Company	Plastic Pollution.	Communication efforts relate to all Sub-programmes, but more specifically: Sub- programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Development of an interactive app to identify most common found litter and brands.  Partnership supported World Environment Day and the Clean Seas Campaign.	15,500 pieces logged in a week with good media coverage.	None.
77.	Majid Al Futtaim Holding (L.L.C)	Sabine Sakr, West Asia Office	(01.03.2018 – 01.03.2020) Expired	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Resource efficiency and sustainable development, including the areas of energy efficiency, green buildings and construction, food waste and more.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Concluded.	There were successful joint World Environment Day celebrations in Bahrain.  There were projections of the <i>Beat-Plastic-Pollution</i> video before every movie in all IMax and Cinnco movie theaters in Bahrain since June 2018.	None.
78.	Media Monde	Roy Kanai/ Mohamed Atani, Africa Office	(02.03.2018 – 02.03.2020)  Expired	State Owned – Enterprise	Development of audio-visual products and digital publishing.	Sub-programme 7 - Environment Under Review	Concluded.	None reported.	None reported.

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79.	MeshMinds PTE. LTD.	Imae Ann, Asia and Pacific Office	(17.08.2018 – 17.08.2020) Expired	Small and Medium Business – Company	Utilizing creative and innovative technologies to promote action towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, with focus on the environmental dimensions of the Sustainable Development Goals.	All Sub- programmes	Concluded.	Over 20 immersive artworks have been made available using creative technology with the majority focused on Goals 11 to 15. UNEP has used some of these artworks in four different regional events, including the third Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific held in Singapore in January 2019.  The exhibitions offered participants a virtual and augmented reality experience that sparked conversations and gave a sense on how the activities on land greatly affect our oceans and its ecosystem.  Increased visibility of UNEP's brand to broader audiences, including media and social media mileage.	None.
80.	Meu Copo Eco Comercio	Denise Hamú, Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Office	(18.07.2018 – 18.07.2020)  Expired	Small and Medium Business – Company	Clean Seas; Plastics; and Waste.	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems.  Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste, and Air Quality.  Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Concluded.	The company developed a Clean Seas branded cup to disseminate the campaign in events all over Brazil.	None.

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81.	Mirova Capital Limited	Xiaoqiong Li, Ecosystems Division	(08.02.2019 – 08.02.2021)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Under this partnership, Mirova acts as the investment advisor for the vehicle set up to implement the AGRI3Fund and to strengthen the environmental and social (E&S) safeguards and solid monitoring and evaluation (M&E) tool of the AGRI3 Fund.  The partnership also works on identifying and facilitating development of projects that contribute to the Sustainable Blue Economy development.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change.  Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems.  Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Mirova is the Investment Advisor of the AGR13 Fund and in that capacity, UNEP is working closely with them.	None reported.	None.
82.	Mitsui Chemicals, Inc.	Mushtaq Ahmed Memon, Asia and Pacific Office	(04.02.2020 – 04.02.2022)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Support start-ups under UNEP's "Low Carbon Lifestyle Challenge" supported by 10YFP/One Planet Network.  Mitsui Chemicals, Inc. is providing technical support focusing on reducing plastics pollution and marine litter, including direct support to 3 startups with this focus is also part of the cooperation.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Mitsui Chemicals is actively taking part in the activities including the Bootcamp for startups and direct mentoring for 3 start-ups focusing on addressing plastics pollution and marine litter.	The start-ups have successfully completed the training at the Bootcamp and are now updating their business models, products and services and developing marketing and pitching materials for the investment opportunities.  At the end of the project, there will be success stories to support young entrepreneurs to focus on the products, services and business models for low-carbon lifestyles in various sectors including energy, housing, mobility, packaging and so on.	None.

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83.	National Central Cooling Co. (P.S.C.) (TABREED)	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	(14.10.2020 – 31.07.2023)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Providing technical in-kind support under the District Energy in Cities Initiative and Cool Coalition including raising awareness activities and technically supporting UNEP pilot projects and undertaking study tours of their facilities.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Ongoing.	None reported.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
84.	National Cleaner Production Center Colombia ("NCPC")	Bettina Heller, Economy Division	(10.07.2019 – 31.09.2022)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Amongst others, the NCPC will support SMEs in Colombia to develop more sustainable business models by applying UNEP eco-innovation manual in the electronics sector.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Ongoing.	Work with the SMEs will commence in 2021.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.
85.	National Cleaner Production Center Peru (Grupo GEA)	Elisa Tonda, Economy Division	(30.10.2019 – 30.09.2020) Expired	Business intermediary	Pilot project to foster solid waste reuse and recovery in mining sector in Peru using the eco- innovation methodology.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Ongoing.	Initial analysis of two companies (one of them a mining cooperative with more companies in its membership) completed.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.
86.	National Cleaner Production Center Sri Lanka	Bettina Heller, Economy Division	(04.11.2019 – 31.07.2022)	Business intermediary	Amongst others, the NCPC will support SMEs in Sri Lanka to develop more sustainable business models by applying UNEP eco-innovation manual in the building materials sector.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Ongoing.	Priority products have been identified and a conference for CEOs to gain SMEs interest in the project is planned for later this year; work with the SMEs will commence in 2021.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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87.	National Philanthropic Trust (Donor: Bloomberg Philanthropies)	Kai Remco Fischer, Economy Division	(03.10.2018 – 31.12.2020)	Foundation	Climate change.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	In progress.	Much of the current work of UNEP Finance Initiative (UNEP-FI) on enhancing the assessment and disclosure of climate-related risks in the finance sector occurs in response to the recommendations of the Financial Stability Board's Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).  This Task Force is endorsed by Marc Carney, UN special envoy on climate action, chaired by Michael Bloomberg and its Secretariat it hosted by the Bloomberg Organization. Given the high- quality work of UNEP FI, the Bloomberg Organization decided to extend a grant to UNEP FI, via Bloomberg Philanthropies and the National Philanthropic Trust.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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88.	Neptune Energy International	Giulia Ferrini, Economy Division	(27.10.2015 – valid until termination)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Oil and Gas Methane Partnership (OGMP) 2.0 – transparent reporting on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	In January 2020, OGMP members agreed to an updated framework (OGMP 2.0) that will commit them to greatly expand the scope of emissions disclosure. This will allow for better targeting of regulatory measures.  The Memoranda of Understanding are being amended to reflect the changes to the framework and the ambition of this partnership of becoming the international platform for Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) for methane emissions from the entire oil and natural gas value chain.  Since its inception in 2014, OGMP has successfully raised awareness on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector. When it was launched at the UN Climate Summit in 2014, OGMP was the first multi-stakeholder partnership working on methane emissions.	Today, its ten member companies represent many of the largest oil and gas operators in the world and are responsible for over 15% of oil and gas production globally. These companies set the industry standard for methane reporting. OGMP member companies collectively reported 25,000 tonnes of methane emissions avoided in the first three years after joining OGMP, corresponding to 2 million tons of CO2 equivalent. The impact of these reductions is equivalent to removing over 130,000 passenger cars from the road.  OGMP partners also worked to encourage methane mitigation to other actors in the industry through a series of Technical Guidance Documents (TGD) presenting suggested methodologies for quantifying methane emissions from nine core emission sources. These TGDs are considered best practices in the field and are widely used by practitioners beyond OGMP member companies for guidance on methane emissions.  In October 2020, the European Commission report on methane emissions stated that the Commission will table in 2021 a legislative proposal on compulsory measurement, reporting and verification for all energy-related methane emissions, building on the OGMP methodology.	None.

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89.	New Delhi Television Limited (NDTV)	Madhur Das, Asia and Pacific Office	(13.12.2017 – 12.12.2019) Expired	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Promote environmental issues in India through their network.	Sub-programme 4 - Environmental Governance Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	NDTV covered Beat Plastic Pollution for World Environmental Day 2018.  Promotion of Countermeasure against plastic litter in South Asia and India.	NDTV telecasted an independent series on the government Programme "Swachh Banega India" for World Environment Day 2018.  NDTV produced and did multi cross channel broadcast of 3 documentary films on marine and riverine plastic pollution as a part of the Japan Countermeasures for Plastics project.	None.
90.	Nexus Carbon for Development Limited	Annette Wallgren, Asia and Pacific Office	(08.08.2019 – 31.01.2020) <b>Renewed</b> (22.05.2020 – 31.05.2021)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Support the implementation of the EmPower project on delivering resource efficiency projects for women entrepreneurs in Cambodia.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	The first SSFA was signed on 08.08.2019. The activities were successfully implemented accordingly to the implementation plan.	Pre-feasibility studies completed and findings including consultations with government (sub-national and national) held.  Support provided to the provincial action plans on women's enterprise development using resource efficiency.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.
91.	Nippon Television Network Corporation ("Nippon TV")	Laura Fuller, North America Office	(12.03.2018 – 12.03.2020) <i>Expired</i>	Large Enterprise – Corporation	The cooperation with Nippon TV follows the priority programmes for the North America Regional Office, including marine debris, food waste, circular economy and climate action.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change.  Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste, and Air Quality.  Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	The partnership was officially launched with a press release and event in Japan on 1 June 2018, in the lead up to World Environment Day 2018.  Four Public Service Announcements have been developed (marine debris, air quality, food waste, recycling) and appeared throughout various media outlets to target a "teen" audience (8-12 years old).	The partnership was highlighted during the UN General Assembly/Climate Week in New York City beginning 23 September 2018.  It was featured at the Social Good Summit and at the SDG Media Zone.  The outcome/lessons learned include assessing the needs and sustainability of the partnership beforehand. The partner that Nippon TV had engaged with to do the work related to the partnership became unavailable and Nippon TV no longer had the capacity to carry on with the cooperation.	None.

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92.	NOFIMA AS through its Centre of the Ocean and the Arctic	Ecosystem Division	(29.10.2018 – 29.10.2020) Expired	State Owned Enterprise – Company	Developing knowledge-based foresight analyses; using sustainable solutions for blue growth in the Arctic; cooperating and exchanging knowledge on issues related to marine pollution, in particular plastics; collaborating in the China Council for the International Cooperation on Environment and Development (CCICED) Special Policy Study on Oceans.	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and productive ecosystems. Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Concluded.	None reported.	None.
93.	OEFT International Limited	Brennan VanDyke, Science Division	(11.03.2019 – 11.03.2021) <i>Terminated</i>	Small and Medium Business – Financial Consulting Company	Provide feasibility study and support outreach activities to private investors for funding work on promising innovative environmental solutions including wastewater recovery technologies.	Sub-programme - 5 Chemicals Waste and Air Quality.	The partnership was terminated this year.	No success stories.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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94.	Ogaan Media Private Limited	Atul Bagai, Asia and Pacific Office	(15.05.2019 – 15.05.2021)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Circularity and sustainability in fashion procurement and circular design awareness.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Ogaan owns the prestigious magazine "ELLE. ELLE" which has launched the ELLE Graduates programme for sustainable fashion with UNEP.	UNEP & ELLE collaborated on the ELLE Graduates Programme, with UNEP sitting on the jury panel for Sustainable Design Awards.  Since UNEP is working on sustainable textiles, ELLE and OGAAN provide an impactful platform to link it with circular fashion, through promoting circularity in fashion, advocacy and communication, events, and outreach.  ELLE has featured interesting articles and showcased stories on both these aspects. ELLE featured stories on UNEP campaigns for WED 2019 and 2020.	None.
95.	OGCI Climate Investments LLP	Manfredi Caltagirone, Economy Division	(19.06.2017 – 19.06.2021)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Reduction of methane emissions from oil and gas operations.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change.  Sub-programme 7 - Environment Under Review	Scientific studies that quantify methane emissions are contributing to a better understanding of where emissions of this potent greenhouse gas occur and what can be done to reduce them.	Peer-reviewed papers published in scientific journals are contributing to greater knowledge about methane emissions.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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96.	One 97 Communications Limited ("PayTm")	Madhur Das, Asia and Pacific Office	(20.02.2018 – 20.02.2020)  **Renewed** (12.06.2020 – 11.06.2022)	Lage Enterprise – ecommerce Corporation	Communication campaigns on air and plastic pollution by uploading and promoting them on the Payttm app. Launching and running outreach campaigns, in the run up to World Environment Day 2018 in India on the theme "Beat Plastic Pollution".  Communication campaigns that improve understanding and motivate action on pollution, in particular air and plastics pollution. Research and evidence to support policymaking and investment on pollution, through science, data, information and knowledge.  Outreach and engagement on findings thus far. Strengthened private sector engagement on environmental issues, particularly pollution through their collaborative effort, Paytm and UNEP will endeavor to promote UNEP campaigns and goals, through its mobile platforms.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency.  Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Launched extensive campaign on their Paytm, online e- commerce App for Beat Plastic Pollution for World Environment Day 2018.  Launched a Donation Page on their application and a sustainability shelf on their online Mall.  Promoted the BeatAirPollution WED 2019 Campaign on their application.  Launched UNEP Campaign, "Spot the Endangered!" on WED 2020.	Paytm collected donations on their application for UNEP, but since it could not be accepted, they were donated directly to the Clean Air Asia Agency towards their air pollution programme.  Extensive promotion of World Environment Day on application.  125 Million Paytm users were inspired by the World Environment Day 2018 Campaign.  UNEP and Paytm launched the campaign on Beat Air Pollution for World Environment Day 2019.  Carried banners and awareness drive on their application and social media handles #Fornature gaining 8 million viewers.  UNEP Clean Air Patron Vijay Shekhar Sharma gave an interview on International Clean Air Day for Blue Skies and tweeted about air pollution.  UNEP will be signing a new MOU with Paytm Foundation for a project on Air Quality Action Forum and Solution Centre for a sum of \$175,000 for 2020 – 2021, extending on to 2022.  Vijay Shekhar Sharma's will continue his appointment as UNEP's Clean Air Patron for 2020-2022.	None.

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97.	Petroleum Development Oman LLC	Sabine Sakr, West Asia Office	(12.09.2018 – 31.12.2021)	State Owned Enterprise – Corporation	Resource efficiency and circular economy; waste management; and groundwater monitoring and modelling.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste, and Air Quality.  Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency.  Sub-programme 7 - Environment Under Review	Donor agreement in advanced stage to cover capacity building activities until the end of 2019.	Preparatory phase finalized to agree on joint activities which resulted in identifying three capacity gaps (i.e. resource efficiency and circular economy, waste management & groundwater monitoring and modelling).	None reported.

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98.	Petroleos Mexicanos	Giulia Ferrini, Economy Division	(27.10.2015 – valid until termination)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Oil and Gas Methane Partnership (OGMP) 2.0 – transparent reporting on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	In January 2020, OGMP members agreed to an updated framework (OGMP 2.0) that will commit them to greatly expand the scope of emissions disclosure. This will allow for better targeting of regulatory measures.  The Memoranda of Understanding are being amended to reflect the changes to the framework and the ambition of this partnership of becoming the international platform for Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) for methane emissions from the entire oil and natural gas value chain.  Since its inception in 2014, OGMP has successfully raised awareness on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector. When it was launched at the UN Climate Summit in 2014, OGMP was the first multi-stakeholder partnership working on methane emissions.	Today, its ten member companies represent many of the largest oil and gas operators in the world and are responsible for over 15% of oil and gas production globally. These companies set the industry standard for methane reporting. OGMP member companies collectively reported 25,000 tonnes of methane emissions avoided in the first three years after joining OGMP, corresponding to 2 million tons of CO2 equivalent. The impact of these reductions is equivalent to removing over 130,000 passenger cars from the road.  OGMP partners also worked to encourage methane mitigation to other actors in the industry through a series of Technical Guidance Documents (TGD) presenting suggested methodologies for quantifying methane emissions from nine core emission sources. These TGDs are considered best practices in the field and are widely used by practitioners beyond OGMP member companies for guidance on methane emissions.  In October 2020, the European Commission report on methane emissions stated that the Commission will table in 2021 a legislative proposal on compulsory measurement, reporting and verification for all energy-related methane emissions, building on the OGMP methodology.	None.

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99.	Petroleum Technology Alliance Canada (PTAC)	Denise San Valentin, Economy Division	(27.03.2015 – 30.06.2017)  Expired	Hydrocarbon Industry Association created as a not for profit organization.	Short-lived climate pollutants (SLCP) emissions mitigation from the oil and gas industry.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change. Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste, and Air Quality;	Implementation of activities completed; contract ended 30 June 2017.	With the Climate and Clean Air Coalition's support, PTAC implemented Phase 1 of the black carbon technology demonstration project to reduce SLCPs from flaring, to help oil and gas companies identify high-impact and cost-effective opportunities to reduce emissions from flaring by recovering high-value, condensable liquids from flared gas.  Phase 1 produced various reports and was followed by activities that were implemented by Clearstone Engineering, a consulting firm. The project advanced to the refined business case level and a company in Colombia eventually expressed strong interest in acting on the flaring mitigation opportunity while proposing a potentially lower capital alternative.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.
100.	Playmob Limited	Sam Barratt, Ecosystems Division	(25.01.2019 – 25.01.2021)	Small and Medium Business – Company	Ecosystem Management - Strategic collaboration on the gaming sector; Deliver a report on how the gaming industry can deliver on the SDGS; Games to support project outcomes.	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and productive ecosystems.  Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Ongoing.	Supported the recruitment and outreach of gaming which was launched in September 2019.  Please access the following links for more information on "Playing for the planet": <a href="https://bit.ly/3kr5YYD">https://bit.ly/3kr5YYD</a>	None.

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101.	Promotora Ambiental SAB de CV Mexico	Dolores Barrientos, Mexico Office	(03.12.2018 – 03.12.2020)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals; environmental education, sustainable production and consumption, green economy, blue economy and circular economy; and climate change agenda to support projects related to the conservation of natural capital.	Sub-programmes 1 - Climate Change.  Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems  Sub-programme 4 - Environmental Governance  Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Meetings were held with the Ministry of Tourism; international organizations; and private sector and civil society to develop a National Strategy on Sustainable Tourism.  Regarding environmental education, Exhibitions of the International Film Festival named "SUNCINE" from Barcelona were organized in different cities around the country in 2019; and two On-Line exhibitions were held due to the COVID-19 crisis in 2020.  In relation to 2030 Agenda and SDG implementation several workshops were organized with private sector, subnational governments, and NGOs.	With the support of Promotora Ambiental, technical assistance and political dialogues were developed with the Ministry of Tourism and relevant stakeholders. The first draft of the National Strategy on Sustainable Tourism was concluded in September 2020.  During the last 10 years, Promotora Ambiental has been the main collaborator of UNEP in environmental education in Mexico through the exhibition of the International Film Festival "SUNCINE".  During 2019 and 2020 the exhibition took place in 50 cities and through 2 online displays reaching almost 50,000 people.  In addition, with the support of Promotora Ambiental, UNEP organized 6 workshops related to the 2030 Agenda, sustainable tourism, climate change, air pollution and solid waste management with the participation of private sector, subnational governments, and NGOs.	None.

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102.	PTT Public Company Limited	Giulia Ferrini, Economy Division	(27.10.2015 – valid until termination)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Oil and Gas Methane Partnership (OGMP) 2.0 – transparent reporting on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	In January 2020, OGMP members agreed to an updated framework (OGMP 2.0) that will commit them to greatly expand the scope of emissions disclosure. This will allow for better targeting of regulatory measures.  The Memoranda of Understanding are being amended to reflect the changes to the framework and the ambition of this partnership of becoming the international platform for Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) for methane emissions from the entire oil and natural gas value chain.  Since its inception in 2014, OGMP has successfully raised awareness on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector. When it was launched at the UN Climate Summit in 2014, OGMP was the first multi-stakeholder partnership working on methane emissions.	Today, its ten member companies represent many of the largest oil and gas operators in the world and are responsible for over 15% of oil and gas production globally. These companies set the industry standard for methane reporting. OGMP member companies collectively reported 25,000 tonnes of methane emissions avoided in the first three years after joining OGMP, corresponding to 2 million tons of CO2 equivalent. The impact of these reductions is equivalent to removing over 130,000 passenger cars from the road.  OGMP partners also worked to encourage methane mitigation to other actors in the industry through a series of Technical Guidance Documents (TGD) presenting suggested methodologies for quantifying methane emissions from nine core emission sources. These TGDs are considered best practices in the field and are widely used by practitioners beyond OGMP member companies for guidance on methane emissions.  In October 2020, the European Commission report on methane emissions stated that the Commission will table in 2021 a legislative proposal on compulsory measurement, reporting and verification for all energy-related methane emissions, building on the OGMP methodology.	None.
103.	Red Moon Music	Catherine Beltrandi, Communication Division	(29.11.2017 – 29.11.2019) <i>Expired</i>	Small and Medium Business – Company	Sustainable lifestyles.	Communication efforts relate to all Sub-programmes	Inspire positive social and environmental change through storytelling and creative communications. Production of a live music show entitled "NOÉ, La Force de Vivre".	None.	None.

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104.	Renew Power Private Limited	Atul Bagai, Asia and Pacific Office	(10.07.2020 – 04.06.2023)	Large Enterprise – Renewable Company	ReNew Power will formally enter into partnership with UNEP's District Energy in Cities Initiative as an 'implementation partner' for renewable energy installations across the project.  Solar-off grid projects by providing support to undertake joint studies, assessments and pilot demonstrations to promote decentralised renewable energy, especially across schools in rural areas.  Organize annual joint event(s) and/or summit(s) with a focus on India's strategic direction of sustainability with a focus on energy.  Share knowledge through the Indian Institute of Technology's (IIT Delhi) centre of Excellence.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Discussions have started on: District cooling initiative- Off-grids in UP (KVIB) - Solar panel recycling and a solar waste study.	The activities will be divided into two or three main areas, guided by the agreement, that will facilitate a larger scope for cooperation.	None reported.

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105.	Repsol	Giulia Ferrini, Economy Division	(27.10.2015 – valid until termination)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Oil and Gas Methane Partnership (OGMP) 2.0 – transparent reporting on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	In January 2020, OGMP members agreed to an updated framework (OGMP 2.0) that will commit them to greatly expand the scope of emissions disclosure. This will allow for better targeting of regulatory measures.  The Memoranda of Understanding are being amended to reflect the changes to the framework and the ambition of this partnership of becoming the international platform for Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) for methane emissions from the entire oil and natural gas value chain.  Since its inception in 2014, OGMP has successfully raised awareness on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector. When it was launched at the UN Climate Summit in 2014, OGMP was the first multi-stakeholder partnership working on methane emissions.	Today, its ten member companies represent many of the largest oil and gas operators in the world and are responsible for over 15% of oil and gas production globally. These companies set the industry standard for methane reporting. OGMP member companies collectively reported 25,000 tonnes of methane emissions avoided in the first three years after joining OGMP, corresponding to 2 million tons of CO2 equivalent. The impact of these reductions is equivalent to removing over 130,000 passenger cars from the road.  OGMP partners also worked to encourage methane mitigation to other actors in the industry through a series of Technical Guidance Documents (TGD) presenting suggested methodologies for quantifying methane emissions from nine core emission sources. These TGDs are considered best practices in the field and are widely used by practitioners beyond OGMP member companies for guidance on methane emissions.  In October 2020, the European Commission report on methane emissions stated that the Commission will table in 2021 a legislative proposal on compulsory measurement, reporting and verification for all energy-related methane emissions, building on the OGMP methodology.	None.
106.	Responsible Finance & Investment (RFI) Foundation	Iyad Abumoghli, Regional Presence Office	(17.05.2018 – 31.12.2018) Expired	Small and Medium Enterprise – Foundation	Financing for sustainable development.	All Sub- programmes (Cross-cutting and corporate)	Concluded.	The partnership has achieved its expected objectives and the outcome and has held a global round table on Faith-based investment. Through the partnership, new partners have been identified.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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107.	Roteiros de Charme Hotel Association	Helena Rey de Assis, Economy Division	(10. 25.2017 – 10.30.2022)	Hotel Association	Tourism, plastic and marine pollution.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Consideration to continue the partnership following the Global Tourism Plastic Initiative (GTPI) commitment.	Roteiros de Charme has become on July 22 one of the first signatory of the Global Tourism Plastics Initiative.  Roteiros de Charme has committed to eliminate problematic single use plastic products from all meetings organised by the Association by the end of 2021 and report publicly and annually on progress made.	None.
108.	Runtastic GmbH	Matthias Jurek, Europe Office  Lisa Rolls, Communication Division	(11.07.2018 – 11.07.2020) Renewed	Small and Medium Enterprise – Corporation	Run Wild campaign, WildforLife2.0.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change.  Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	The Memorandum of Understanding with Runtastic has been concluded.	The joint campaign and "Run Wild" concept have been developed and linked to Wild for Life (WildforLife 2.0) and relevant projects such as "Vanishing Treasures".  Runtastic offers the possibility to reach out to a wide public (approx. 280 million downloads of the application) linking sports/athletes with wildlife issues.  Currently, roles and responsibilities are being discussed and agreed upon. Runtastic will provide internal resources for further developing the campaign.  A short teaser for Run Wild has been promoted via UNEP channels on International Wildlife Life Day.	None.

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109.	Russian Fairs Limited Liability Company	Vladimir Moshkalo, Russia Country Office, Europe Office	(23.05.2018 – 23.05.2020) Expired	Small and Medium Business – Company	Corporate Social Responsibility; Sustainable Consumption and Production; linked to the Initiative "Think.Eat.Save"; Waste management; Introduction of Environmental Standards ISO 14000; and Annual Voluntary Environmental Reporting.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	After signing of the Memorandum of Understanding, UNEP developed a Roadmap for joint activities.  Activities will be started after approval of the Russian government on the plan for construction of the fair grounds in all 85 subjects of the Russian Federation.  Practical implementation of the Road Map is hampered by COVID-19 restrictions in Russia.	During design and construction of Fairgrounds the use of environmentally friendly materials have been taken into account as well as introduction of energy efficiency systems foreseen.  Support of small agricultural producers and farms in sale of products, including the formation of accessible sales channel and distribution of agricultural products in the network of fair complexes under the brand "Russian fairs".  Active cooperation with manufacturers of folk goods and folk-art handicrafts, including souvenir, environmentally friendly products, clothing, domestic food products, in terms of distribution and sale of such products in the network of fair complexes under the brand "Russian fairs".  Supporting the initiative "Think.Eat.Save" in food trade organization and catering, including involvement of the partners in the implementation of this initiative within the network of fair complexes under brand "Russian fairs".  Discussion on the use of paper packages and bags instead of the plastic has been initiated.	None.
110.	Safaricom	Communication Division/ Cyrille- Lazare Siewe, Africa Office	(16.08.2017 – 16.08.2019) <i>Expired</i>	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Affordable and clean energy, data, sustainable cities and communities, responsible consumption and production, climate action, and marine litter.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change.  Sub-programme 4 - Environmental Governance.  Sub-programme 7 - Environment under Review	Concluded.	UNEP started working on air quality monitoring pursuant to the UNEA-3 resolution on Air Quality for Nairobi county.  UNEP also collaborated with Safaricom on waste management (Kenya Free Plastic Initiative for World Environment Day 2018).	None.

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111.	Satelligence B.V.	Xiaoqiong Li, Ecosystems Division	(13.05.2019 – 12.05.2021)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Corporation	Assess the feasibility of integration of the use of new space technology for monitoring agricultural supply chain risk and performance at the source at scale, in the daily workflows of financial institutions.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change. Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	Concluded.	None.	None.
112.	Schurmann Produções Cinematográficas LTDA	Denise Hamú, Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Office	(20.05.2019 – 20.05.2021)	Family Media Company	Clean Seas: to produce entertainment content for feature films, documentaries, television and web series in the fields of adventures, education, and sustainability, featuring the Schurmann Family in their Global Expeditions.	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	Jointly promote the Clean Seas campaign and other initiatives related to the health of the oceans.  Jointly promote the Schurmann Family's "Voice of the Oceans" Expedition.	"Voice of the Oceans" is expected to cover up to 40 strategic locations on the planet, including Fernando de Noronha in Brazil, Manhattan in New York, Auckland in New Zealand, and Ducie Island in the Pacific Ocean. It will also sail to the areas known as "gyres", where marine currents converge and cluster a collection of plastic debris carried by the sea currents from around the world.	None.

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113.	Shell Research Limited	Giulia Ferrini, Economy Division	(27.10.2015 – valid until termination)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Oil and Gas Methane Partnership (OGMP) 2.0 – transparent reporting on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	In January 2020, OGMP members agreed to an updated framework (OGMP 2.0) that will commit them to greatly expand the scope of emissions disclosure. This will allow for better targeting of regulatory measures.  The Memoranda of Understanding are being amended to reflect the changes to the framework and the ambition of this partnership of becoming the international platform for Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) for methane emissions from the entire oil and natural gas value chain.  Since its inception in 2014, OGMP has successfully raised awareness on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector. When it was launched at the UN Climate Summit in 2014, OGMP was the first multi-stakeholder partnership working on methane emissions.	Today, its ten member companies represent many of the largest oil and gas operators in the world and are responsible for over 15% of oil and gas production globally. These companies set the industry standard for methane reporting. OGMP member companies collectively reported 25,000 tonnes of methane emissions avoided in the first three years after joining OGMP, corresponding to 2 million tons of CO2 equivalent. The impact of these reductions is equivalent to removing over 130,000 passenger cars from the road.  OGMP partners also worked to encourage methane mitigation to other actors in the industry through a series of Technical Guidance Documents (TGD) presenting suggested methodologies for quantifying methane emissions from nine core emission sources. These TGDs are considered best practices in the field and are widely used by practitioners beyond OGMP member companies for guidance on methane emissions.  In October 2020, the European Commission report on methane emissions stated that the Commission will table in 2021 a legislative proposal on compulsory measurement, reporting and verification for all energy-related methane emissions, building on the OGMP methodology.	None.

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114.	Shenzhen Shenling Car Company Ltd	Rob de Jong, Economy Division	(28.02.2019 – 28.02.2021)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Corporation	Electric mobility.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change. Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Actively working with the Company on 2&3 wheelers electric motorcycle pilot demonstration projects.	Three hundred electric motorcycles will be donated to UNEP to be used in pilot projects in Africa and South East Asia.  BYD and Shenzhen Shenling donated to UN medical services collectively 80,000 surgical face masks to combat the COVID-19 pandemic in Kenya as a goodwill gesture.	None.
115.	Siemens Stiftung	Rob de Jong, Economy Division	(13.02.2020 – 13.02.2022)	Corporate Philanthropic Foundation	Electric mobility.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change. Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Actively collaborating on electric mobility awareness raising, networking of stakeholders and on piloting of electric mobility.	Co-hosted largest electric mobility stakeholder networking and awareness raising event in East Africa in Kisumu in November 2019.  Worked together with the Shell Foundation, set up investor platform for electric mobility in East Africa.  Currently collaborating on piloting electric 2&3 wheelers in East Africa, specifically in Western Kenya creating links between UNEP's Kisumu electric motorcycle pilot and Siemens Stiftung's WeTu electric mobility pilot.	None.
116.	Signify B.V.	Shereen Zorba, Science Division	(05.12.2017 – 05.12.2019)  Expired, Renewal in process	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Science-Business- Policy Forum Donor.	Sub-programme 7 - Environment under Review	None reported.	None reported.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
117.	Sustainable Investment Management Limited	Xiaoqiong Li, Ecosystems Division	(25.02.2019 – 25.02.2021)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Corporation	Use of new space technology for monitoring agricultural supply chain risk and performance.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change. Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	Concluded.	None.	None.

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118.	The Schmidt Family Foundation	Connie Fensome, Communication Division	(20.12.2017 – 20.12.2019)  Extended (08.12.2019 – 31.03.2021)	Foundation	Plastic pollution, marine litter.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	The Partner has provided financial support to the Clean Seas campaign through a grant from 11th Hour Racing.  Funding has been confirmed until March 31, 2021.	The funding has helped produce several campaign collaterals, including the animation video that was produced together with the German animation studio, Kurzgesagt. To date, the video has more than three million views.  The current round of funding has helped to update the website, secure the ongoing management of the campaign, to support the Flipflopi foundation's Lake Victoria expedition, and to create the assets for the tourism and plastic pollution campaign.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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119.	Total S.A.	Giulia Ferrini, Economy Division	(27.10.2015 – valid until termination)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Oil and Gas Methane Partnership (OGMP) 2.0 – transparent reporting on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	In January 2020, OGMP members agreed to an updated framework (OGMP 2.0) that will commit them to greatly expand the scope of emissions disclosure. This will allow for better targeting of regulatory measures.  The Memoranda of Understanding are being amended to reflect the changes to the framework and the ambition of this partnership of becoming the international platform for Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) for methane emissions from the entire oil and natural gas value chain.  Since its inception in 2014, OGMP has successfully raised awareness on methane emissions from the oil and gas sector. When it was launched at the UN Climate Summit in 2014, OGMP was the first multi-stakeholder partnership working on methane emissions.	Today, its ten member companies represent many of the largest oil and gas operators in the world and are responsible for over 15% of oil and gas production globally. These companies set the industry standard for methane reporting. OGMP member companies collectively reported 25,000 tonnes of methane emissions avoided in the first three years after joining OGMP, corresponding to 2 million tons of CO2 equivalent. The impact of these reductions is equivalent to removing over 130,000 passenger cars from the road.  OGMP partners also worked to encourage methane mitigation to other actors in the industry through a series of Technical Guidance Documents (TGD) presenting suggested methodologies for quantifying methane emissions from nine core emission sources. These TGDs are considered best practices in the field and are widely used by practitioners beyond OGMP member companies for guidance on methane emissions.  In October 2020, the European Commission report on methane emissions stated that the Commission will table in 2021 a legislative proposal on compulsory measurement, reporting and verification for all energy-related methane emissions, building on the OGMP methodology.	None.
120.	Travelife Limited	Helena Rey, Economy Division	(16.05.2019 – 16.05.2021)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Tourism Certification Company	Sustainable tourism, plastics, and COVID-19 recovery.	Sub-programme 6 - Resources Efficiency	Ongoing collaboration to digitalise UNEP's resource efficiency and greenhouse gas (GHG) tools for wider use by the hotel sector.	The partner has integrated UNEP's recommendation on a COVID-toolkit recovery that is used by more than 1000 hotels.  Travelife has also integrated sustainability and plastics criteria in current tourism certification standards.	None.

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121.	UCL Consultants Ltd	Ludgarde Coppens, Science Division	(19.12.2019 – 31.01.2020) Expired	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	SDG global and regional data analysis based on the agreed methodological approach.	Sub-programme 7 - Environment under Review	Concluded.	Drafted a methodological approach for the "Measuring Progress" Publication.  Completed global and regional data analysis in the form of a document, including draft graphics Identification of 3-4 countries which are outliers in terms of achieving positive outcomes and a literature review of national policies in these countries in the form of a document.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.
122.	Unilever U.K. Central Resources Limited	Llorenç Milà i Canals, Economy Division	(04.05.2018 – 04.05.2020) Expired	Small and Medium Enterprise – Corporation	Promoting sustainable consumption and production in the areas where both institutions can add value and synergies; foster the use of life cycle knowledge and approaches to inform decisions towards sustainable development through the Life Cycle Initiative partnership; development of life cycle data; development of impact indicators and development of sectoral approaches to incorporate life cycle thinking.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Although the MOU expired in 2020, Unilever colleagues continue to be highly engaged in the work on life cycle impact assessment indicators, as well as on a report assessing models to quantify deforestation in supply chains.  The partner is aware that the current partnership expired in May 2020; a higher-level discussion on a potential new Memorandum of Understanding at a more strategic level is being explored.  This would encompass other areas of collaboration, specially (to be confirmed) on plastics and circular economy, sustainable food systems, financing sustainable agricultural commodities, and sustainable lifestyles.	As mentioned, continued engagement in life-cycle impact indicators development.  As one of funding partners of the Life Cycle Initiative Unilever has contributed to the many achievements in the past years, which are summarised in the annual reports available through this link: https://www.lifecycleinitiative.org/activities/activity-reports/.  Also worth highlighting, is the recent announcement of Unilever's new sustainability plan, which is strongly rooted in life cycle thinking.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.

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123.	Vivid Economics B.V.	Adriana Zacarias, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(17.05.2018 – 17.02.2019) Expired	Small and Medium Business – Company	Green Economy /Green State Development Strategy Guyana.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Concluded - Vivid Economics has great expertise and capacity to work on green economy and sustainable development.	Macro-economic report for Guyana was developed.  Three chapters of the Green State Development Strategy (GSDS) were developed.  Report on the Financial Mechanisms for the GSDS was developed.  Presentation of the work at expert meetings, workshops and at Cabinet level received very positive feedback and congratulations.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.
124.	VOLT S.R.L.	Agustin Matteri; Esteban Bermudez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(08.31.2020 – 08.31.2022)	Small and Medium Business – Company	Sustainable electric mobility.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Joint webinars for public servants and civil society.	The agreement was signed a few months ago, so results are not yet reportable.	None.
125.	Volvo Ocean Race	Ecosystems Division	(18.05.2017 – 18.05.2019) <b>Expired</b>	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Marine pollution.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Concluded - the Memorandum of Understanding was very much focused on the last edition of the Volvo Ocean Race which ended in June 2018.	The partnership with the Volvo Ocean Race was very relevant in raising the profile of the Clean Seas campaign.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.
126.	Vulcan Inc.	Gabriel Grimsditch, Ecosystems Division	(22.01.2020 – 22.01.2022)	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Ecosystem management - coral reef conservation.	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	In progress – developing the Global Coral Reef Fund – for the conservation of coral reef ecosystems globally.	Vulcan is currently developing accurate global maps of coral reefs using satellite data – Allen Coral Atlas.  They have already committed funds for the Global Coral Reef Fund.	None.

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127.	Weibo Internet Technology (China) Co., Ltd.	Wenjing Yan, Communication Division	(31.08.2018 – 30.12.2020)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	Plastic pollution, support across sub- programmes.	Communication efforts relate to all Sub-programmes	The partner provided support to UNEP campaigns such as Wild for Life, Clean Seas and Beat Pollution as well as key events including WED and UNEA.  The partner also provided funding support to Champions of the Earth through a three-year donor agreement.  In 2018, the partner also created a China franchise for the Young Champions.	The Partner will provide UNEP with \$1,500,000 to implement the 2018, 2019 and 2020 cycles of its Champions of the Earth award programme, which recognizes outstanding environment achievement.  Currently, UNEP has received the first and second payroll. The third one is under discussion due to the COVID-19.	Positive contribution to UNEP available in relevant agreement.
128.	Wizcraft International Entertainment Private Limited	Atul Bagai, Asia and Pacific Office	(10.12.2018 – 10.12.2020)	Large Enterprise – Corporation	To promote greening of events, conferences, and other entertainment platforms in India and overseas; to launch and sustain a communication, awareness, and outreach drive; and to effectively communicate the solutions to sustainable alternatives.	Communication efforts relating to all Sub- programmes.	The International Indian Film Academy Awards (IIFA) announced its association with UNEP, at a press conference held in Delhi, ahead of World Environment Day 2018 with four leading Bollywood actors and UNEP including Goodwill ambassador, Dia Mirza.	In June 2018, IIFA gave two vast advocacy opportunities in Bangkok – one press conference and a chance to speak about the <i>Beat Plastic Pollution</i> campaign at the awards ceremony.  For 2020 - due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all events and planning have stopped as of now.	None.
129.	World Sailing Limited	Daniel Cooney, Communication Division	(19.06.2018 – 19.06.2020) Expired	Small and Medium Enterprise – Company	Marine pollution.	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Concluded.	Clean Seas was featured during the World Sailing Youth Championship and more outreach activities.	None.

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130.	World Travel and Tourism Council (two separate agreements signed)	Bettina Heller, Economy Division Helena Rey De Assis, Economy Division	(2.12.2019 – 15.01.2021) (22.9.2019 – 22.09.2021)	Tourism Association	Tourism and plastics.  Wildlife, sustainable tourism, plastics, and climate change.	Sub-programme - 6 Resource Efficiency	Agreement led by Bettina Heller is ongoing.  Agreement led by Helena Rey De Assis is ongoing.	The objective of the agreement was the development of a publication on Single-Use Plastic Products in the Tourism Value Chain. The report outlines options for private sector to minimize the use of single use plastic products in their tourism operations. Due to COVID-19 the launch of the publication has been moved to the last quarter of 2020.  The objective of the agreement is to mainstream sustainable tourism practices in tourism value chains. UNEP has been invited to provide comments on the COVID-19 response of WTTC as well as climate targets for its members.	Expenditure from UNEP available in relevant agreement.
131.	YAPU Solutions Gmbh	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and the Caribbean Office	(15.03.2018 – 15.03.2020) Expired	Small and Medium Business – Company	Climate Change.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Concluded.	Improved methodology for gap assessment of financial institutions and green strategy implementation. Implementation of Microfinance Ecosystem-based Adaptation methodology in 12 institutions.	None.
132.	Yes Bank Limited	Eric Usher, Economy Division	(06.09.2017 – 30.03.2018) Expired	Large Enterprise – Bank	Planning and co- ordination; signatory relations and outreach; communication; workshops and events; and stakeholder engagement.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Concluded.	Support for events and stakeholder engagement in India could help strengthen our national outreach to financial sector actors, and senior level engagement is important to involve decision-makers in the sustainable finance agenda in India.	None.