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## **List of Abbreviations/Acronyms**

<b>ACCISI-GEM</b>	Adapting to Climate Change Impacts through Smart Irrigation in Ghar El Melh wetland
<b>ADA</b>	Austrian Development Agency
<b>CP</b>	Child Project
<b>EBRD</b>	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
<b>EIB</b>	European Investment Bank
<b>EU</b>	European Union
<b>GCF</b>	Green Climate Fund
<b>GEF</b>	Global Environment Facility
<b>GWP-Med</b>	Global Water Partnership-Mediterranean
<b>ICOS</b>	Information Communication and Outreach Strategy
<b>ICZM</b>	Integrated Coastal Zone Management
<b>IW</b>	International Waters
<b>MAP</b>	Mediterranean Action Plan
<b>MedPCU</b>	MedProgramme Coordinating Unit
<b>MedProgramme</b>	Mediterranean Sea Programme
<b>MFET</b>	Maltese Ministry for Foreign and European Affairs and Trad
<b>MoU</b>	Memorandum of Understanding
<b>RFQ</b>	Request for Offers
<b>SCPD</b>	Steering Committees of the Nexus (Policy) Dialogues
<b>SEE Nexus Project</b>	The Project “Promoting the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources in South-eastern Europe, through the use of Nexus approach
<b>SEGMS</b>	Stakeholders Engagement and Gender Mainstreaming Strategy
<b>TGWR</b>	Thematic Group on Water Resources
<b>TTA</b>	Tangier-Tetouan-Al Hoceima
<b>UfM</b>	Union of the Mediterranean
<b>UNEP</b>	United Nations Environment Programme
<b>WEFE</b>	Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystem

## I. INTRODUCTION

This report covers the activities and outputs carried out in the period of March 2023 and March 2024 by Child Project CP2.2 “Mediterranean Coastal Zones: Managing the Water-Energy-Food and Ecosystems Nexus” (GEF ID 9685) implemented in the framework of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) funded Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme): “Enhancing Environmental Security (GEF ID 9607). Project information are included in Annex A.

The narrative part of the progress report highlights the results and progress achieved under five outcomes of Child Project 2.2, namely:

- a) Enhanced regional and National capacities on the use of the Nexus approach to address land-based issues.
- b) Interlinkages among Nexus Sectors identified and strengthened through Nexus Assessments and Policy Dialogues, feeding into policy making in priority Mediterranean coastal areas.
- c) Interventions facilitated and upscaled bringing co-benefits by maximizing on the technologies and approaches to address Nexus trade-offs.
- d) Priority Nexus interventions agreed upon including relevant mechanisms and arrangements.
- e) The medium and long-term sustainability of results ensured by engaging the relevant stakeholders.

## II. KEY HIGHLIGHTS

The main deliverables for this period March 2023 to March 2024 show an overall achievement of 70% of planned targets for the period 2023-2024. Key highlights include:

- a) The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Regional Roundtables on Nexus assessment and approach were held in June 2023 and February 2024.
- b) The Steering Committees of the Nexus (Policy) Dialogues (SCPD) have been activated at national level In Albania and Lebanon and at Regional level in Morocco.
- c) Water-energy-food-ecosystems Nexus Assessments and multi-stakeholder consultation dialogues have been carried out in Albania, Lebanon and Morocco.
- d) Nexus Roadmaps are prepared or under development in Albania, Lebanon and Morocco.
- e) Two Nexus demonstration activities have been identified: one in Tunisia and another in Lebanon. project implementation began in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2024.
- f) It was mutually agreed that CRE TTA and GWP-Med will collaborate on a water-energy-food-ecosystems security initiative. In Lebanon, two potential interventions are identified which leverage the opportunities presented by the Green Climate Fund.
- g) The Stakeholders Engagement Strategy has been drafted. It integrates guidelines for gender-responsive stakeholder engagement (SEGMS) linked with the Gender Action Plan.

Details of the deliverables for each of the project outputs are presented hereunder.

## II. DELIVERY OF OUTPUTS & PROGRESS TO IMPLEMENTATION

1. The objective of Child Project CP2.2 is balancing of competing water uses in priority coastal areas through water, food, energy and ecosystems integrated governance, to enhance environmental security and sharing of benefits. The principal IW focal area outcome is increased water/food/energy/ecosystem security and sharing of benefits on basin/sub-basin scale underpinned by adequate regional legal/institutional frameworks for cooperation. It is implemented by the UNEP/MAP (leading executing Agency) and GWP-Med. The project is implemented in Albania, Lebanon, Morocco and Tunisia. GEF project financing is USD 3.5 million. It is implemented in four components as described below.

### *Component 1: Institutional strengthening*

#### **Output 1.1: Regional dialogue and capacity building on Nexus assessment and approach**

2. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Regional Roundtables on Nexus assessment and approach were held in June 2023 and February 2024, respectively, in line with the workplan for this component. Synergies with parallel initiatives and projects ensured higher than expected participation of stakeholders. The scope and results of the Regional Dialogue has been significantly expanded following the decision for the development of a WEFE Nexus Strategy in the Mediterranean, to be eventually endorsed at the Ministerial level under both the Barcelona Convention and UfM processes.
3. Preliminary discussions have taken place regarding the 3<sup>rd</sup> Regional Roundtable to be provisionally held in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2024.
4. Regarding the Capacity Building activities, following an internal reallocation, additional funds were made available to significantly increase the scope of the activities. This led to a small delay in implementation.
5. Overall, it is estimated that implementation rate of this output is at 45%.

#### **Progress to implementation of Outcome 1**

6. Tabulated below are the list of indicators for Outcome 1, end of project targets, and implementation status of the current period.

<b>Indicator number</b>	<b>End of project target</b>	<b>Implementation status of the current period</b>
1.1 Number of government officials and decision makers engaging in the Nexus Regional Roundtables	Three (3) Nexus Regional Roundtables – with each event targeting 50 participants including at least 10 government officials and decision makers – for the countries to build capacity and discuss options on adopting the Nexus approach for integrated resources management in the Mediterranean.	66%
1.2 Number of government technical decision makers capacitated through Nexus Training	Three (3) training events – with each event targeting 15 participants including least three technical decision makers – for technical staff of national and local administrations and for key stakeholders on the introduction and implementation of the nexus approach	20%
1.3. Gender ratio in capacity building events and trainings	All capacity building events are gender balanced (50%-50% ratio)	50%

*Component 2: Addressing Nexus issues affecting priority coastal zones of the Mediterranean LME*

**Output 2.1: New or existing inter-institutional bodies convening and steering the development of Nexus Assessments and strategic documents**

7. The Steering Committees of the Nexus (Policy) Dialogues (SCPD) have been activated at national level in Albania and Lebanon and at Regional level in Morocco.

8. Regarding Albania, the Thematic Group on Water Resources (TGWR), initially envisaged to steer activities, has been inactive the past 2 years due to changes in the country's Integrated Policy Management framework. Following discussions with Albanian counterparts, it was agreed that Phase II activities will be steered by an ad-hoc Advisory Group consisting of representatives of the Ministry of Tourism and Environment, the Water Resources Management Agency, and the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.

9. In Lebanon, a WEF (Nexus) Inter-Ministerial Group was created under the initiative of the Ministry of Water and Energy comprising representatives of WEF ministries to facilitate coordination among these ministries for the implementation of the sectoral strategies and action plans. The Group is meeting regularly.

10. Concerning Morocco, Nexus activities are steered by the Commission Régionale de Gestion Intégrée du Littoral de la Région Tanger-Tétouan-Al Hoceima. There are on-going efforts for a smaller, WEF Nexus focused, Steering Committee with an official function to follow -beyond the MedProgramme- the Nexus activities in the Region.

11. Overall, it is estimated that implementation rate of this output is at 100%.

**Output 2.2: Water-energy-food-ecosystems Nexus Assessments and multi-stakeholder consultation dialogues in priority coastal areas**

12. In Albania, a national Dialogue Process on the WEF Nexus was implemented in 2020-2022, and a Nexus stakeholder analysis and a Phase I Nexus Assessment were prepared with co-financing activities (under an ADA-funded SEE Nexus Project).

13. The Phase II Assessment will essentially be a pre-feasibility study for interventions with cross-sectoral benefits in an irrigation reservoir. Given the localized scope of activities, a localized Dialogue will take place engaging both local and national stakeholders. The first consultation meeting is planned to take place in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2024.

14. National Stakeholders Analyses are also completed in Lebanon and Morocco (in the TTA region). Phase I of the WEF Nexus Assessment reports and multi-stakeholders' consultations (two Policy Dialogue meetings per country) were finalized in Lebanon, and are mostly finalized in Morocco.

15. One more multistakeholder meeting is planned in each focus area to discuss the results of Nexus Assessment Phase II and the respective action plans.

16. Overall, it is estimated that implementation rate of this output concerning work undertaken in Phase I and Phase II is at 60%.

**Output 2.3: Nexus strategies/action plans for priority coastal areas, possibly as part of other strategic documents for coastal areas**

17. In Albania, a Nexus Roadmap was prepared under Phase I. Beyond and above this output, under Phase II, an Action Plan for the replication and upscaling at the national level of the interventions to be assessed will be prepared.

18. In Lebanon, a draft Nexus Action Plan is being developed in consultation with the WEF Nexus Inter-Ministerial Group that is led by the Ministry of Energy and Water and facilitated by

GWP-Med. The Group meets regularly. The work being done is also contributing in the development of the Integrated management Plan for the Damour Region, to the national ICZM strategy and to the ICZM Plan for the Damour region.

19. In Morocco, the work at regional level is being used for the development of the Regional ICZM plan. Discussion are underway with the authorities in order to ensure that the Nexus Assessments are taken into consideration and fed into the Regional Development Plan. Moreover, GWP-Med is supporting DRE TTA in establishing a WEF Nexus Steering Committee to oversee the WEF Nexus Policy Dialogue in the Region, including the preparation of a Nexus Strategy or Action Plan.

20. Overall, it is estimated that implementation rate of this output considering work undertaken in Phase I and Phase II is at 60%.

### **Progress to implementation of Outcome 2**

21. Tabulated below are the list of indicators for Outcome 2, end of project targets, and implementation status of the current period.

<b>Indicator</b>	<b>End of project target</b>	<b>Implementation status of the current period</b>
2.1 Number of priority areas with Nexus inter-institutional bodies steering the development of Nexus assessments and strategic documents	New or existing inter-institutional bodies steer the development of assessments and strategic documents in three (3) priority areas.	100%
2.2 Number of Nexus Assessments developed supporting Nexus Dialogues	One (1) Nexus Assessment developed in each of the three (3) priority areas	60%
2.3. Number of Policy Dialogues implemented in priority areas	One (1) Policy Dialogue implemented in each of the three (3) priority areas (total 3 Policy Dialogues).	60%
2.4 Number of Nexus strategies /action plans in priority coastal areas developed, possibly as part of other strategic documents for coastal areas	Three (3) Nexus Strategies or Nexus Action Plans are developed	65%

### *Component 3: Testing and upscaling Nexus solutions*

#### **Output 3.1: Nexus demonstration activities**

22. Two Nexus demonstration activities have been identified: one in Tunisia and another in Lebanon.

23. The activity in Tunisia "Adapting to Climate Change Impacts through Smart Irrigation in Ghar El Melh wetland area, Tunisia" (ACCISI-GEM) is co-funded by the Maltese Ministry for Foreign and European Affairs and Trade (MFET) and CP 2.2.

24. The project implementation began in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2024 with the recruitment of a Technical expert to support GWP-Med through a Request for Offers (RFQ) process. Meetings have been conducted with key stakeholders at local and regional levels to secure their support for identifying potential farmers and finalizing technical specifications.

25. Currently, Call for Offers are being developed for: (i) the supply and installation of smart irrigation equipment in 5 farms; (ii) Photovoltaic systems in two farms to reduce water pumping costs; and (iii) a piezometer to monitor the hydrology of the wetland.
26. The demonstration activity in Lebanon is focused on implementing precision agriculture practices, which will involve the use of sensors, automated irrigation, drones for pesticide application, and other innovative technologies. The concept note for this project was finalized during the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2024 in collaboration with partners, including the Litani River Authority, the Lebanon micro-finance association, and Berytech, a business incubator and accelerator. A Memorandum of Understanding outlining each partner's responsibilities has been prepared in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2024 and is expected to be signed by the partners shortly.
27. A Call for Offers has been issued to hire a technical expert who will support GWP-Med in implementing the activity. The evaluation of offers is currently underway. The expert is expected to be onboarded in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2024.
28. Future steps include issuing a Call for Offers to procure the necessary equipment, with completion anticipated in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2024. Implementation of this demonstration activity will continue until the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2026, with additional Calls for Offers planned to hire experts for techno-economic analysis and market research.
29. The goal is to leverage market mechanisms to expand the demonstration activity, potentially by offering a loan product to farmers interested in the technology being tested. Discussions have begun with financial partners, including EBRD, with further conversations planned with other donors to explore opportunities for loan guarantees.
30. Overall, it is estimated that implementation rate of this output is at 35%.

### Progress to implementation of Outcome 3

31. Tabulated below are the list of indicators for Outcome 3, end of project targets, and implementation status of the current period.

Indicator number	End of project target	Implementation status of the current period
3.1. Number of Nexus demonstration activities implemented	Three (3) Nexus demonstration activities testing Nexus solutions to address water-food-energy-ecosystems related management issues.	30%
3.2. Number of Nexus established approaches assessed for their efficiency and feasibility for replication and upscaling	Four (4) established Nexus approaches assessed for their efficiency and feasibility for replication and upscaling as Nexus solutions.	100%

### Output 4.1: Identified interventions, including potential sources of funding

32. Two Project Documents were prepared in Albania during Phase I (supported by the ADA-funded SEE Nexus Project):
- Capturing hydropower and irrigation synergies in the water reservoir in Korca; and
  - Promoting Precision Agriculture practices with cross-sectoral benefits in pilot locations.
33. Following discussions with various stakeholders in Morocco TTA region, and as part of the WEF Nexus Policy Dialogue launched by GWP-Med in the Region, the Regional Council of TTA (CRTTA) was engaged during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2023 in focused dialogue regarding the development of project documents and feasibility studies for Nexus-related solutions. It was mutually agreed that



CRE TTA and GWP-Med will collaborate on a water-energy-food-ecosystems security initiative. This intervention involves the installation of floating solar panels in an existing dam inland to reduce evaporation and generate energy, testing precision agriculture in the irrigated area served by the dam to decrease water consumption and pollution, and replicating this approach in other areas to upscale its results. The concept was also presented to potential funding partners, including the EU delegation to Morocco, who have initiated discussions with the EIB.

34. In the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2024, a concept note outlining the intervention was developed in partnership with CRE TTA and shared with the EU Delegation. Additionally, a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) delineating the roles and responsibilities of each partner was prepared in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2024. The signing of the MoU is anticipated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter or as early as the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2024. During the same period, GWP-Med commenced discussions with the EBRD regarding the implementation of the initiative.

35. Ongoing discussions with the aforementioned financing partners and other potential donors will continue throughout the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters of 2024. A procurement process is planned to be launched in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter to recruit a technical expert who will be responsible for preparing pre-feasibility or feasibility studies. It is anticipated that this initiative will be completed by the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2025.

36. In Lebanon, GWP-Med has initiated discussions in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2024 with national institutions regarding two potential interventions. The goal of these interventions is to leverage the opportunities presented by the Green Climate Fund for Lebanon, specifically focusing on investment projects related to the WEFN Nexus that have been submitted by the Ministry of Energy and Water as part of the Country's Programme Project Pipeline.

37. Further discussions with key institutions will take place in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2024 to confirm the specific focus. Following these discussions, a procurement process will be initiated to hire experts who will prepare necessary documents, such as pre-feasibility studies/concept notes, in order to develop a funding request for a grant (up to USD 1.5 million) from the GCF Project Preparation Facility. The pre-feasibility/concept note is expected to be completed by January 2025. Once submitted to GCF and positively received, GWP-Med will work closely with the selected implementation agency to develop a full proposal for financing the implementation of the interventions.

38. Overall, it is estimated that implementation rate of this output is at 70%.

#### **Progress to implementation of Outcome 4**

39. Tabulated below are the list of indicators for Outcome 4, end of project targets, and implementation status of the current period.

<b>Indicator number</b>	<b>End of project target</b>	<b>Implementation status of the current period</b>
4.1 Number of interventions and actions identified and facilitated for financing	Three (3) project fiches for priority interventions and/or investments submitted for consideration to governments and potential finance promoters	70%

*Component 4: Consultant and outreach***Output 5.1: A Stakeholders Engagement Strategy (SEG) coherent with the MedProgramme Gender Mainstreaming and Knowledge Management Strategies**

40. The Stakeholders Engagement Strategy has been drafted. It integrates guidelines for gender-responsive stakeholder engagement (SEGMS) linked with the Gender Action Plan developed in collaboration with the MedProgramme Coordinating Unit (MedPCU).

41. Overall, it is estimated that implementation rate of this output is at 100%.

**Progress to implementation of Outcome 5**

42. Tabulated below are the list of indicators for Outcome 5, end of project targets, and implementation status of the current period.

<b>Indicator number</b>	<b>End of project target</b>	<b>Implementation status of the current period</b>
5.1 Stakeholders Engagement and Gender Mainstreaming Strategy (SEGMS) developed including: Public Participation and Stakeholders Involvement Strategy; Information Communication and Outreach Strategy (ICOS); Gender Mainstreaming strategy.	One (1) SEGMS for the Mediterranean developed including description of actions in each of the priority areas for intervention	100%

**Annex A**  
**Project Information**



## GEF-6 REQUEST FOR PROJECT ENDORSEMENT/APPROVAL

PROJECT TYPE: FULL-SIZED PROJECT

TYPE OF TRUST FUND: GEF TRUST FUND

For more information about GEF, visit [TheGEF.org](http://TheGEF.org)

### PART I: PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title: Mediterranean Coastal Zones: Managing the Water-Energy-Food and Ecosystems Nexus.			
Country(ies):	Albania, Algeria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Egypt, Lebanon, Libya, Montenegro, Morocco and Tunisia.	GEF Project ID: <sup>1</sup>	9685
GEF Agency(ies):	UN Environment	GEF Agency Project ID:	01423
Other Executing Partner(s):	UN Environment/MAP and GWP-Med.	Submission Date:	
GEF Focal Area (s):	International Waters	Project Duration (Months)	60 months
Integrated Approach Pilot	IAP-Cities <input type="checkbox"/> IAP-Commodities <input type="checkbox"/> IAP-Food Security <input type="checkbox"/>	Corporate Program: SGP	<input type="checkbox"/>
Name of Parent Program	Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme): Enhancing Environmental Security – ID 9607	Agency Fee (\$)	315,000

#### A. FOCAL AREA STRATEGY FRAMEWORK AND OTHER PROGRAM STRATEGIES<sup>2</sup>

Focal Area Objectives/Programs	Focal Area Outcomes	Trust Fund	(in \$)	
			GEF Project Financing	Co-financing
IW 2 Program 4	4.1 Increased water/food/energy/ecosystem security and sharing of benefits on basin/sub-basin scale underpinned by adequate regional legal/institutional frameworks for cooperation.	GEFTF	3,500,000	11,309,871
<b>Total project costs</b>			<b>3,500,000</b>	<b>11,309,871</b>

#### B. PROJECT DESCRIPTION SUMMARY

<b>Project Objective:</b> Balancing of competing water uses in priority coastal areas through water, food, energy and ecosystems integrated governance, to enhance environmental security and sharing of benefits.						
Project Components/ Programs	Financing Type <sup>3</sup>	Project Outcomes	Project Outputs	Trust Fund	(in \$)	
					GEF Project Financing	Confirmed Co-financing
Component 1: Institutional Strengthening.	TA	Outcome 1: Enhanced regional and National capacities on the	Output 1.1: Regional Dialogue and Capacity	GEFTF	384,000	2,950,000

		use of the Nexus approach to address land-based issues.	Building on Nexus assessment and approach.			
<b>Component 2:</b> Addressing Nexus issues affecting priority coastal zones of the Mediterranean LME.	TA	<b>Outcome 2:</b> Interlinkages among Nexus Sectors identified and strengthened through Nexus Assessments and Policy Dialogues, feeding into policy making in priority Mediterranean coastal areas.	<b>Output 2.1:</b> New or existing inter-institutional bodies convening and steering the development of Nexus Assessments and strategic documents.  <b>Output 2.2:</b> Water-energy-food-ecosystems Nexus Assessments and multi-stakeholder consultation dialogues in priority coastal areas.  <b>Output 2.3:</b> Nexus strategies/action plans for priority coastal areas, possibly as part of other strategic documents for coastal areas.	GEFTF	1,804,000	2,820,000
<b>Component 3:</b> Testing and upscaling Nexus solutions.	TA	<b>Outcome 3:</b> Interventions facilitated and upscaled bringing co-benefits by maximizing on the technologies and approaches to address Nexus tradeoffs.  <b>Outcome 4:</b> Priority Nexus interventions agreed upon including relevant mechanisms and arrangements.	<b>Output 3.1:</b> Nexus demonstration activities.  <b>Output 4.1:</b> Identified interventions, including potential sources of funding.	GEFTF	595,000	2,430,000

Component 4: Consultation and outreach	TA	Outcome 5: The medium and long-term sustainability of results ensured by engaging the relevant stakeholders.	Output 5.1: A Stakeholders Engagement Strategy (SEG) coherent with the MedProgramme Gender Mainstreaming and Knowledge Management Strategies.	GEFTF	551,000	2,300,000
Subtotal					3,334,000	10,500,000
Project Management Cost (PMC) <sup>4</sup>					166,000	809,871
<b>Total project costs</b>					<b>3,500,000</b>	<b>11,309,871</b>

### C. CONFIRMED SOURCES OF CO-FINANCING FOR THE PROJECT BY NAME AND BY TYPE

Please include evidence for co-financing for the project with this form.

Sources of Co-financing	Name of Co-financier	Type of Cofinancing	Amount (\$)
Executing Agencies	UN Environment/MAP	In Kind	79,871
	GWP-Med	In Cash	1,000,000
		In Kind	3,000,000
Recipient Government	Lebanon	In Kind	730,000
Recipient Government	Morocco	In Kind	6,500,000
<b>Total Co-financing</b>			<b>11,309,871</b>

### D. TRUST FUND RESOURCES REQUESTED BY AGENCY(IES), COUNTRY(IES), FOCAL AREA AND THE PROGRAMMING OF FUNDS

GEF Agency	Trust Fund	Country Name/Global	Focal Area	Programming of Funds	(in \$)		
					GEF Project Financing (a)	Agency Fee <sup>a)</sup> (b) <sup>2</sup>	Total (c)=a+b
UN Environment	GEF TF	Albania, Algeria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Egypt, Lebanon, Libya, Montenegro, Morocco and Tunisia.	International Waters		3,500,000	315,000	3,815,000
<b>Total Grant Resources</b>					<b>3,500,000</b>	<b>315,000</b>	<b>3,815,000</b>

**E. PROJECT'S TARGET CONTRIBUTIONS TO GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS<sup>5</sup>**

Provide the expected project targets as appropriate.

Corporate Results	Replenishment Targets	Project Targets
1. Maintain globally significant biodiversity and the ecosystem goods and services that it provides to society	Improved management of landscapes and seascapes covering 300 million hectares	<i>hectares</i>
2. Sustainable land management in production systems (agriculture, rangelands, and forest landscapes)	120 million hectares under sustainable land management	<i>hectares</i>
3. Promotion of collective management of transboundary water systems and implementation of the full range of policy, legal, and institutional reforms and investments contributing to sustainable use and maintenance of ecosystem services	Water-food-ecosystems security and conjunctive management of surface and groundwater in at least 10 freshwater basins;	<i>1 Number of freshwater basins</i>
	20% of globally over-exploited fisheries (by volume) moved to more sustainable levels	<i>Percent of fisheries, by volume</i>
4. Support to transformational shifts towards a low-emission and resilient development path	750 million tons of CO <sub>2e</sub> mitigated (include both direct and indirect)	<i>metric tons</i>
5. Increase in phase-out, disposal and reduction of releases of POPs, ODS, mercury and other chemicals of global concern	Disposal of 80,000 tons of POPs (PCB, obsolete pesticides)	<i>metric tons</i>
	Reduction of 1000 tons of Mercury	<i>metric tons</i>
	Phase-out of 303.44 tons of ODP (HCFC)	<i>ODP tons</i>
6. Enhance capacity of countries to implement MEAs (multilateral environmental agreements) and mainstream into national and sub-national policy, planning financial and legal frameworks	Development and sectoral planning frameworks integrate measurable targets drawn from the MEAs in at least 10 countries	<i>Number of Countries:</i>
	Functional environmental information systems are established to support decision-making in at least 10 countries	<i>Number of Countries:</i>

Project Core Indicators		Expected at CEO Endorsement
1	Terrestrial protected areas created or under improved management for conservation and sustainable use (Million Hectares)	
2	Marine protected areas created or under improved management for conservation and sustainable use (Million Hectares)	
3	Area of land restored (Million Hectares)	
4	Area of landscapes under improved practices (excluding protected areas)(Million Hectares)	
5	Area of marine habitat under improved practices (excluding protected areas)( Million Hectares)	
	Total area under improved management (Million Hectares)	

Project Core Indicators		Expected at CEO Endorsement
6	Greenhouse Gas Emissions Mitigated (Million metric tons of CO <sub>2</sub> e)	
7	Number of shared water ecosystems (fresh or marine) under new or improved cooperative management	1
8	Globally over-exploited marine fisheries moved to more sustainable levels (thousand metric tons)( Percent of fisheries, by volume)	
9	Reduction, disposal/destruction, phase out, elimination and avoidance of chemicals of global concern and their waste in the environment and in processes, materials and products (thousand metric tons of toxic chemicals reduced)	
10	Reduction, avoidance of emissions of POPs to air from point and non-point sources (grams of toxic equivalent gTEQ)	
11	Number of direct beneficiaries disaggregated by gender as co-benefit of GEF investment	

**F. DOES THE PROJECT INCLUDE A “NON-GRANT” INSTRUMENT? NO**

(If non-grant instruments are used, provide an indicative calendar of expected reflows to your Agency and to the GEF/LDCF/SCCF/CBIT Trust Fund) in Annex D.

N/A