

Decision 8/CP.10

Additional guidance to an operating entity of the financial mechanism

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling Article 3, Article 4, paragraphs 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 9, Article 9, paragraph 2 (c), Article 11, paragraphs 1 and 5, and Article 12, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Convention,

Recalling also its decisions 13/CP.1, 7/CP.2, 10/CP.2, 11/CP.2, 12/CP.2, 9/CP.3, 1/CP.4, 2/CP.4, 4/CP.4, 6/CP.4, 8/CP.5, 9/CP.5, 10/CP.5, 2/CP.7, 3/CP.7, 4/CP.7, 5/CP.7, 6/CP.7, 7/CP.7, 5/CP.8, 7/CP.8, 9/CP.8, 10/CP.8, 2/CP.9, 3/CP.9, 4/CP.9 and 9/CP.9,

Recalling further that in accordance with decision 11/CP.1, the Conference of the Parties is to give guidance on policies, programme priorities and eligibility criteria to an operating entity of the financial mechanism,

1. *Requests* the Global Environment Facility, as an operating entity of the financial mechanism, to take into account, on matters relating to capacity-building, the key factors identified in paragraph 1 of decision 2/CP.10 in the context of projects of the operating entity of the financial mechanism, when supporting capacity-building activities in developing countries in accordance with decisions 2/CP.7 and 4/CP.9 and as defined in the Strategic Approach to Enhance Capacity-Building;¹
2. *Urges* the Global Environment Facility, on matters relating to Article 6 of the Convention, to continue its work in improving access to, and visibility of, opportunities for funding Article 6 activities;
3. *Requests* the Global Environment Facility to report to the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh session (November–December 2005) and at subsequent sessions on how activities identified in paragraph 6 of decision 1/CP.10 have been supported, and the barriers, obstacles and opportunities presented, through:
 - (a) The strategic priority “Piloting an Operational Approach to Adaptation”
 - (b) The small grants programme
 - (c) Efforts to address adaptation in the climate change focal area and to mainstream it into other focal areas of the Global Environment Facility
 - (d) The Least Developed Countries Fund and efforts to finance the preparation of national adaptation programmes of action
 - (e) The Special Climate Change Fund;
4. *Requests* the Global Environment Facility, as an operating entity of the financial mechanism, to make available further financial and technical resources to implement the actions identified in paragraph 7 of decision 5/CP.7;
5. *Requests* the Global Environment Facility to expand support for the elaboration of adaptation strategies as part of the national communication process in Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention;

¹ GEF/C.22/8 at <<http://www.gefweb.org>>.

6. *Requests* the Global Environment Facility to include in its report to the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh session information on specific steps undertaken to implement this decision;

7. *Invites* the Global Environment Facility to provide feedback to the Conference of the Parties, at its twelfth session (November 2006), on activities undertaken in response to decision 5/CP.7, paragraphs 22–29 (in accordance with decisions 6/CP.7 and 7/CP.7), with a view to the Conference of the Parties adopting a decision on further action at its thirteenth session (November 2007).

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