Multi-Stakeholder Forum on pooled funding

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• **Valued forum to discuss** pooled funding and suggested continued **virtual format** for participation from different locations
• Flexible financing **incentivizes multi-stakeholder and multi-sector efforts** towards 2030 Agenda
• Added value of **well-designed pooled funds** that contribute to joint financing and UN Reform at **country-level**
• **Integrated fund implementation and follow-up** are as important as design and governance
• The **FC target of 10%** (contribution of inter-agency pooled funds of total earmarked) is within reach, but concerns that **major funds are still underfunded**
• UN entities raised the importance of **supporting country offices during design of UNSDCF**s to assess use of Joint Programmes for outcome level implementation
Deposits to UN inter-agency pooled funds, 2015-2020

Growth triggered by development pooled funds

Important growth to over 3 US$ billion in 2020, highest ever, triggered by substantial growth of development funding, which represented almost half of contributions.
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Development pooled funding has tripled in 5 years

Deposits to development inter-agency pooled funds tripled since 2015, from US$ 533M to US$ 1,490M in 2020

![Chart showing the increase in deposits to UN inter-agency pooled funds from 2015 to 2020.](chart.png)
Top 12 contributors to inter-agency pooled funds, and share of their total earmarked contributions to the UN, 2020.

More countries contributing >10% of earmarked to pooled funds

23 countries contributed 10% or more of their total earmarked funding to the UN through inter-agency pooled funds in 2020, including the 11 largest MS contributors.

- Germany: 11%
- United Kingdom: 21%
- Sweden: 32%
- European Commission: 7%
- Netherlands: 44%
- Norway: 28%
- Canada: 27%
- Denmark: 24%
- Belgium: 51%
- Switzerland: 20%
- Ireland: 44%
- Australia: 14%

Percentage equals inter-agency pooled fund share of total earmarked contributions

US$ million
Ten UN entities with highest revenue through inter-agency pooled funds, 2019-2020

Increasing participation by UN entities

Most UN entities increased participation, with some of them already reaching 10% or more (UN WOMEN, 34%, UNFPA, 28% and FAO, 13%) of earmarked contributions.
Countries with 10% or more of earmarked development-related expenditure from UN inter-agency pooled funds, 2019

More countries with a higher share of pooled funding

40 countries with 10% or more of earmarked development expenditure through inter-agency pooled funds (28 in 2018)
Portfolio deposits to MPTF Office administered funds, 2015-2020

Portfolio deposits have doubled since 2016 triggered by SDGs and renewed engagement (UNCSDF, funding compact and climate)
Contributors 2020
Increase to 50 countries contributing in 2020 (34 in 2019)

Thank you 2020 Contributors to MPTF Office administered pooled funds

Australia  Austria  Bahrain  Belgium  Cambodia  Canada  Chile  Croatia  Cyprus
Czech Republic  Denmark  Estonia  European Union  Finland  France  Germany  Hungary  Iceland
Ireland  Italy  Japan  Jersey  Kazakhstan  Liechtenstein  Lithuania  Luxembourg  Mauritius
Mexico  Montenegro  Morocco  Nepal  Netherlands  New Zealand  Norway  Papua New Guinea  Peru
Poland  Portugal  Republic of Korea  Romania  Russian Federation  Slovakia  Spain  Sweden  Switzerland
Thailand  Turkey  United Arab Emirates  United Kingdom  United States of America  Uzbekistan  Foundations  Private Sector  United Nations
Recent responses to policy developments

Some updates from MPTF Office:

- Detailed analysis of QCPR monitoring framework’s pooled funding elements, to ensure full alignment
- Supporting UN country teams with trainings and capacity building on country-level pooled funding
- Starting internal process to review status of implementation of C14 (quality management features)
Common Management Features across pooled funds

*Common management features: well-articulated strategy, including innovation features where relevant, clear theories of change, solid Results-Based Management systems, well-functioning governance bodies supported by effective secretariats, quality assurance on issues of United Nations norms and values; risk management systems and strategies; operational effectiveness/reporting/visibility/transparency standards; and planning and funding for joint and system wide evaluations that meet UNEG norms and standards.*

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Strong support by partners and COP-26 recent announcements

Top contributors to the climate portfolio

- Norway
- Germany
- European Union
- United Kingdom
- Sweden
- Netherlands
- France
- Denmark
- Switzerland
- Spain

Some recent announcements

- Landmark US$ 500 M agreement to protect the DR Congo’s forest, announced by UK and DRC prime ministers
- Global Fund for Coral Reefs Coalition, with Canada joining and additional UK support
- WMO, UNDP and UNEP create the Systematic Observations Financing Facility (SOFF) MPTF
Inter-agency pooled funds and climate finance

“Making peace with nature is the defining task of the 21st century”
— António Guterres
UN Secretary-General

Inter-agency pooled funds are increasingly becoming a key financing instrument to structure, articulate, innovate and sequence climate and environment financing.

Deposits to MPTF Office Climate and Environment Trust Funds, 2008 - 2020
How do inter-agency pooled funds contribute to advancing climate finance agendas?

- Leveraging key features of pooled funds (flexibility, de-risking, joint action, anchored in UN normative agenda, combining resources) for climate finance
- Providing integrated climate and environment solutions, with comprehensive theories of change and strong multi-stakeholder alliances.
- Potential to catalyze and structure available finance through other existing financial mechanisms, including other MPTF Office administered funds
- Including a nexus perspective, as these trust funds are not strictly climate focused, but also include humanitarian, development and peace-building elements.
- Pooled funds are becoming both a financing and a stakeholder engagement mechanism of climate action
Climate and environment portfolio

FORESTATION FUNDS

GREEN ECONOMY

BLUE ECONOMY

BIODIVERSITY FUNDS

CLIMATE DATA

CAFI - Central African Forest Initiative

PAGE - Partnership for Action on Green Economy

GLOBAL FUND FOR CORAL REEFS

One planet - Multi-Partner Trust Fund for SDG 12

UN-REDD - Programme

The Lion's Share - United Nations Decade on Ecosystem Restoration 2021-2030

Biodiversity for Health

SOFF - Systematic Observations Financing Facility

MALI CLIMATE FUND Joint Programmes

ARAL SEA REGION

COUNTRY-INSTRUMENTS ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE
From a forestation portfolio, it has grown in a more diversified portfolio (blue economy, biodiversity, conversation, green economy...)

Current level of commitments of climate and environment pooled funds have surpassed the US$ 1.5 B

Demonstration effects (i.e. CAFI and the new forests declaration)
Three new funds being launched in 2021, after analysis of financial ecosystem

Increasing examples of climate finance as part of other funds (i.e. Joint SDG Fund’s SDG invest)

An innovative peace and climate cross-border initiative between Rwanda, Burundi and DRC (Peacebuilding Fund, CAFI and other instruments) is in design for 2022
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The United Nations center of expertise on pooled funding mechanisms

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