

UNEP MONITORING AND EVALUATION DIRECT COST PROJECT DOCUMENT (GFCR Decision #0102; #0507)

| Project Title: Monitoring and Evaluation Strategy for the Global Fund for Coral Reefs For narrative description, see original project document, Monitoring and Evaluation Strategy for the Global Fund for Coral Reefs (Project 00126260) | Recipient UN Organisation(s): United Nations Environment Programme |
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| Project Description: Monitoring and evaluation are critical elements of successful project planning and implementation. There are two central objectives: accountability and learning. The overall purpose of monitoring and evaluation is the measurement and assessment of performance in order to more effectively manage outputs and strengthen the achievement of outcomes. A well-designed and well-implemented monitoring strategy can inform an evaluation and can provide the evidence of results achieved as well as help identify lessons learned and best practices. | Approved 2021 Project Cost: USD 200,000 Additional 2022-24 Project Cost: USD 388,404 Proposed Project Start Date: 1 January 2021 Proposed Project End Date: 31 December 2024 |

Key expected outputs

- Assess feasibility of data collection for the results indicators defined in the Fund's Terms of Reference for each project
- Coordinate with the Global Team to recommend alternatives to indicators that are difficult to measure
- Robust scientific methodologies for monitoring each indicator
- Baseline assessments of indicators for all project sites
- Annual reports on progress made against indicators for each project, and recommendations for improvements in project activities
- Mid-term review report for each project, with strategic advice on activities and interventions
- Terminal evaluation report for each project, with assessments of final progress made against indicators and any successes, challenges, failures, or unintended consequences. The Terminal Evaluation will be an independent function from the monitoring, and will be carried out by an independent evaluation office in consultation with the UNEP consultant.



- A report on lessons learned and best practices from the projects, with recommendations for replication and upscaling

Signature of Receiving Organisation (UNEP):

Sinikinesh Jimma, UNEP Chief of the GEF International Waters Unit

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Signature of Executive Board Partner UN Agency (UNDP):

Andrew Hudson, UNDP Head of Water & Ocean Governance Programme

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BUDGET BY UNDG CATEGORIES

| UNDG Category | Initially Approved Budget | Revised Additional Budget | Total Budget |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Staff and other personnel | \$96,000 | \$329,495 | \$425,495 |
| 2. Supplies, Commodities, Materials | \$- | \$- | \$ - |
| 3. Equipment, Vehicles, and Furniture (including | | | |
| Depreciation) | \$- | \$3,500 | \$3,500 |
| 4. Contractual services | | \$- | \$- |
| 5. Travel | \$30,916 | \$30,000 | \$60,916 |
| 6. Transfers and Grants to Counterparts | \$60,000 | \$- | \$60,000 |
| 7. General Operating and other Direct Costs | \$- | \$- | \$- |
| Total Direct Cost | \$186,916 | \$362,995 | \$549,911 |
| Indirect Cost | \$13,084 | \$25,409 | \$38,493 |
| Total | \$200,000 | \$388,404 | \$588,404 |

ANNEX - M&E SPECIALIST RESPONSIBILITIES DESCRIPTION

Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist (UNEP)

- Leads the development of the global Monitoring and Evaluation strategy and framework of the GFCR and mobilises network for baseline studies, monitoring and evaluation as needed.
- Leads management of the monitoring and evaluation scientific and technical advisory group (STAG).
- Provides an understanding of the local environmental conditions and baseline data for potential programme areas.
- Supports Convening Agents in developing their M&E Strategy during programme development and implementation to ensure alignment of GFCR fund-level indicators in CA final M&E Strategies and provide guidance on sector-specific impact frameworks.
- Supports ongoing and consistent monitoring and evaluation of all programmes, including assessing M&E capacity of Convening Agent's and their partners;
- Supports consolidation of global annual reports with relevant data and highlights key findings/trends.
- Based on M&E findings, identifies and formulate lessons learned and recommendations to be integrated into GFCR's Knowledge Management Platform.
- Supports the presentation of key data and knowledge sharing through global events, technical meetings, annual <u>reports</u> and other relevant materials/forums.
- Provides GFCR with access to UNEP's wide network of coral reef, marine and climate scientists.
- Keeps the Core Team informed on scientific and technical developments related to coral reefs.
- Reviews and provides recommendation on programme design and development with special focus on environmental context and potential impact.
- Identifies and recommends implementing partners and sources of co-financing where relevant.
- Works with other members of UNGT to ensure UNEP is an integral part of GFCR's engagement at international conferences, meetings and events, as well as ensures that GFCR is, when relevant, integrated into UNEP's own strategic engagement, communications and events activities.
- Ensures UNCDF leadership is kept apprised of GFCR updates and progress, as well as UNEP's role within the Fund, including through coordinated Executive Office-level briefings.
- Supports GFCR resources mobilisation efforts as needed.