Concept Note
Round table with stakeholders on issues related to climate change and GCF funding mechanisms

Venue: online

Date: 24 February 2021, 10:30 – 12:30 (Ashgabat time)

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Project: Readiness Program "NDA Strengthening and Country Programming support for Turkmenistan and initiating a Regional Approach to Climate Action" by GCF.

Brief information about the project: It is the Project within the Readiness Program and is aimed to ensure the country's readiness to cooperate with the Green Climate Fund (GCF) in accordance with the established norms and procedures. The project is considered a very first and important step towards establishing key processes and structures to engage with the GCF fund. The current project will support Turkmenistan in achieving its climate resilient development goals, comply with its international climate change obligations and national development priorities and objectives by effectively and efficiently strengthening its access, management and monitoring of climate financing through the GCF.

Goals of the Project: To strengthen institutional capacity of key stakeholders and establish key mechanisms to govern and coordinate climate action and finance to engage with the GCF systematically and effectively.

To this purpose,

- a *Coordination Mechanism* will be established and operationalized.

- Approval Procedures (*No Objection procedure*) will be endorsed

- A *Country Program* will be developed that covers not only a catalog of priority climate measures to fund through the GCF facility in Turkmenistan, but also includes the readiness and support measures to ensure that GCF programming is firmly and sustainably based on climate justification, national needs and in accordance with the established investment criteria.

Goal of the round table: To familiarize representatives of government organizations, academia and financial institutions with the principles of international climate finance engagement with the GCF, as well as with the Turkmenistan Readiness Project.

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

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1. Representative of the Ministry of Agriculture and Environmental Protection of Turkmenistan;
2. Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan;
3. Representative of the Ministry of Finance and Economy of Turkmenistan;
4. Representative of the Ministry of Energy of Turkmenistan;
5. Representative of the State Committee of Water Management of Turkmenistan;
6. Representative of the Academy of Sciences of Turkmenistan;
7. Representative of the National Institute of Deserts, Flora and Fauna of the Ministry of Agriculture and Environmental Protection of Turkmenistan;
8. Representative of the Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs of Turkmenistan;
9. Representative of the State Commercial Bank of Turkmenistan "Daykhanbank";
10. Representative of the Joint Stock Commercial Bank "Rysgal";
11. Representative of the UNDP.

Agenda

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Time	Agenda Trainer – Pavel Činčera – Climate Finance Expert, Green Climate Fund (GCF)
10:30-10:35	**Technical time to set up Zoom link**
10:35-10:50	**Welcome address** ● **Berdy Berdiyev,** Head of the Department on Coordination of International Environmental Cooperation and Projects of the Ministry of Agriculture and Environmental Protection of Turkmenistan ● **Irana Bagirova,** CAREC Projects Coordinator in Turkmenistan, Regional Environmental Center for Central Asia (CAREC)
10:50-11:00	**Tour de table**
Presentation of the International Consultant	
11:00-11:20	**Pavel Činčera, Climate Finance Expert, Green Climate Fund (GCF)** ● Introduction: GCF international climate finance principles
Presentation of the National Consultant	
11:20-11:30	**Orazdurdiyeva Jahan, S**enior National Consultant for Stakeholder Analysis, Engagement and Support to Country Programme Process, CAREC ● Introduction: GCF Readiness Project - Turkmenistan
11:30 - 12:00	**Group Work** ● Questionnaire: Filling out
12:00-12:20	**Pavel Činčera, Climate Finance Expert, Green Climate Fund (GCF)** ● Country Programme modalities
Closure:	
12:20-12:30	**Final speech:** ● **Irana Bagirova,** CAREC Projects Coordinator in Turkmenistan, CAREC