

Project Evaluation Series

**Terminal evaluation of the project
“Strengthening global capacity to
effectively manage areas beyond
national jurisdiction”**

**Project code: GCP/GLO/367/GFF
GEF ID: 4582**

Follow-up report

Accepted evaluation recommendations	Action Agreed in the Management Response	Description of actions actually taken, or reasons for actions not taken	MAR score	Impact of, or changes resulted from taken actions
<p>Recommendation 1. <i>To GEF SEC:</i> Provide clear guidance as to the importance and appropriateness of a specific outcomes linked to BBNJ negotiations for a follow-on program.</p>	<p>Noted by the PMU. It should be noted that a cross-sectoral project, aiming at providing capacity building to future participants in the BBNJ Treaty, is planned for the follow-on Program.</p>	<p>Component 3 of the Common Oceans Program by the GEF in 2020, particularly recognizes the on-going negotiations towards an international, legally binding agreement under UNCLOS on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction (the BBNJ process). It will also support better implementation of the future BBN agreement.</p>	<p>Good</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Recommendation 2. <i>To FAO:</i> Clearly articulate and distinguish accountabilities for project output delivery and program coordination aspects and resource them accordingly.</p>	<p>A full-size Global Coordination Project which will focus on programmatic aspects has been included in the design of the second phase. As part of the coordination arrangements for this second phase, a fully specified Partnership Strategy will be developed describing relationships and responsibilities of the implementing agencies.</p>	<p>A full-size Global Coordination Project which will focus on programmatic aspects has been included in the design of the second phase. This includes coordination across projects, M&E and knowledge management and communications. As part of the coordination arrangements for this second phase, a fully specified Partnership Strategy describing relationships and responsibilities of the implementing agencies has been developed.</p>	<p>Good</p>	<p>Impacts not clear yet.</p>
<p>Recommendation 3. <i>To GOF:</i> Use FAO and other relevant capacity development frameworks to inform scoping of capacity development interventions, and sufficiently allocate resources for project components that represent investment in capacity building, especially knowledge assets and expert networks, to derive intended benefits from knowledge and awareness-based interventions.</p>	<p>FAO and other relevant capacity development frameworks will be used to inform scoping of capacity development interventions for the second phase of the project. In addition, if needed, the Global Coordination Project will include knowledge management and capacity building on shared issues to maximize benefits.</p>	<p>The FAO and other relevant capacity development frameworks will be applied in the scoping of Component 1 of the Cross-sectoral ABNJ Project, which includes capacity needs assessment and development of a capacity building program on cross-sectoral mechanisms in ABNJ. Rating could be Advancing.</p>	<p>Advancing</p>	<p>No impact can be shown until the end of Year 3 of the project at the end of which the capacity needs analysis and development of the CB program would have been completed and the initial CB sessions have been conducted.</p>

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<p>Recommendation 4. <i>To GOF, FAO and GEF SEC:</i> GEFSEC should issue clear and unambiguous guidelines on reporting application of co-finance towards project results. Details of application of cash co-financing should be mentioned in project reports. Input based budget sheets should also be prepared for co-financing contributions.</p>	<p>During the PPG phase of the Cross-Sectoral Project, GOF will provide details of the cash and in-kind co-financing towards project results based on updated guidance from GEFSEC.</p>	<p>This was followed during the PPG phase of the Cross-Sectoral ABNJ Project: details of the cash and in-kind co-financing towards project results have been provided in the prodoc and CEO document based on updated guidance from GEF Sec.</p>	<p>Good</p>	<p>No impact can be shown until the Cross-sectoral ABNJ project has been implemented.</p>

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