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Election and Appointment of Budget Finance Sub-Committee Members[1]

Submitted by the Management Committee on behalf of the Budget and Finance Sub-Committee

Summary

In accordance with paragraph 9(9) of the Partnership document and Terms of Reference of the EAAFP Budget and Finance Sub-Committee (hereafter Budget and Finance Sub-Committee), Partners will appoint new members to the Budget and Finance Sub-Committee at MOP12.

Budget and Finance Sub-Committee has prepared guidance for Partners on the election of the seven members to the Budget and Finance Sub-Committee. The Sub-Committee will serve between the conclusion of MOP12 to the conclusion of MOP13.

Eligible Partners are invited to consider their interest and nominate for a position on Budget and Finance Sub-Committee.

It should be noted that the make-up of the Sub-Committee is subject to change pending the adoption of Draft Decisions 1 and 3 and paragraph 10 of this paper.

Introduction

1. This paper aims to assist Partners in their deliberations to nominate members to the Budget and Finance-Sub Committee to serve from the close of the 12th Meeting of Partners to the close of the 13th Meeting of Partners.

2. In accordance with the Terms of Reference of the Finance Sub-Committee (adopted at MOP9, DD.02), the Meeting of Partners shall elect 7 members to the Finance Sub-Committee. Any Partner may

1 Note: In accordance with the adopted MOP12/DD.3 Terms of Reference of the Finance Sub-Committee (FsC) the names of the sub-committee has been updated to the ***Budget and Finance Sub-Committee***. This report uses the updated name.

nominate a qualified expert as a member. Members do not represent the Partner that nominates them but contribute to the working of the Finance Sub-Committee in their expert capacity.

3. At MOP11, Partners elected 7 members including the Chair.

4. The Terms of Reference of the Finance Sub-Committee states that the general function of the Sub-Committee is to *"…provides advice on sustainable financing and fundraising to, inter alia, the Meeting of the Partners, the Secretariat, any other body set up under the Partnership or any Partner.*

5. The Terms of Reference also states that the Committee shall consist of not more than seven (7) members, and be appointed by the Meeting of the Partners, and may identify individuals who can add valuable knowledge and experience and invite them as observers to the Finance Sub-Committee.

6. *Appointment of Members*
    a. *The Finance Committee is composed of members appointed by the Meeting of the Partners.*
    b. *Any Partner may nominate a qualified expert as a member of the Finance Committee.*
    c. *Finance Committee members do not represent the Partner that nominate them, but contribute to the workings of the Finance Committee in their expert capacity.*
    d. *The Finance Committee will have seven members composed as follows:*
        i. *Core members (four) of the existing Finance Committee until MoP10;*
        ii. *three additional members nominated by Partners*
    e. *The Finance Committee shall be reconstituted at each Meeting of Partners*
    f. *The EAAFP Fundraising Officer shall assist the committee.*
    g. *The Finance Committee may identify individuals who can add valuable knowledge and experience and invite them as observers to the Finance Committee meetings*

7. Currently, the Terms of Reference do not state the cycle of member nomination or expiration period. As such, all existing members can be reelected at MOP12 if they wish to renominate.

8. When making appointments, Partners are also invited to consider the benefits associated with some continuity of membership rather than having all members change at the same time.

9. The Table below indicates the Partners currently serving as members of the Finance Sub-Committee and their history as members.

	Current Members of the Finance Sub-Committee					
	Position	**Name**	**Nominated by**	**History of the FsC**	**Eligible for a further term**	**Standing down**
1	Chair	Martin Spray	WWT	MOP9-MOP11	Yes	Yes

2	Member	Alison Russell-French	AWSG	MOP9-MOP11	Yes	Yes
3	Member	Spike Millington	ICF	MOP9-MOP11	Yes	Yes
4	Member	Ward Hagemeijer	Wetlands International	MOP9-MOP11	Yes	Yes
5	Member	Nheden Amiel D. Sarne	ACB	MOP10-MOP11	Yes	
6	Member	Kaoru Sakari	Japan	MOP9-MOP11	Yes	
7	Member	Cheolsoo Kim	Incheon Metropolitan City	MOP10-MOP11	Yes	

10. Subject to the agreement of Partners, the composition of the Budget and Finance Sub-Committee will be modified to include two government Partners, two non-government Partners, one inter-governmental Partner, and the Host City. If agreed, the Host City will join the Budget Finance Sub-Committee as a permanent member of the Sub-Committee in recognition of its role in the MOU for Hosting the Secretariat. Refer to Draft Decision 3 for further information.

11. The Host Government Partner and signatory to the Hosting MOU, the Republic of Korea, will have overarching visibility of financial matters through its permanent membership of Management Committee.

Decision:

- Partners at the 12th Meeting of the Partners are requested to:

    1. Consult within Partner groupings and determine which Partner or Partners will be nominated to the Budget Finance Sub-Committee.
    2. Communicate this information to all Partners and the Secretariat under Agenda Item 32.3.