

STRATEGIC QUESTION **MAIN QUESTIONS SUB-QUESTIONS KEY FINDINGS** RECOMMENDATIONS R1 Review governance structure of the GCF Q1-1 F1-1 Ch1 Review the role of the Board Are all GI elements developed and in Yes, Board, strategy, structure, system, Delineate strategic and day-to-day management staff, policies & modalities are. place? • Provide greater autonomy to the Secretariat for day to day management. Policies should be approved by the Q1-2 Ch3 Was the GI translat-Board but guidelines and procedures should be left to Are roles and responsibilities adequately No, in practice management and supered into an organizathe Secretariat. defined between Board and Secretariat? vision insufficiently separate. tional structure? • Review the relevance, effectiveness and efficiency of F1-3 Ch₄ the policy framework and its implementation from a Q1-3 Policies are ambitious but too strict for Does the policy framework support climate angle. and enable the Fund's operations and the capacity of AEs, countries and Sec- Support an active CSOs/PSO and CSO network using mandate? retariat, and change too frequently. financial and participatory approaches. Q2-1 F2-1 Ch₃ Is GCF able to commit capital to climate Yes, 80% of available capital has been • Assess market niches that use high-quality evidence committed. change projects? gathering approaches. Develop strategic plan that prioritises GCF as: Q2-2 Ch3 F2-2 Is GCF capital new, additional, adequate - A global knowledge thought leader/policy influencer GCF capital is new, partially additional, and predictable for developing coun-- A climate finance broker but not adequate nor predictable. - Replication and Scaling-up tries? Q2 F2-3 Ch₇ Results-based capital allocation Q2-3 Is the GCF set up to Is the GCF able GCF's own and catalysed commitments - Change the Adaptation/Mitigation target Are GCF commitments provided at scale deliver paradigm to channel and are large compared to other CF mecha-Set targets for amounts that will flow through (a shift in climate leverage significant in the total climate finance space? nism but small in total CF space. number of) DAEs? change finance? investment flows? Identify priority sectors Q2-4 F2-4 Ch₇ Develop tools to support an evidence-based strategy No, GCF insufficiently leverage at scale. Does the GCF leverage at scale? Re-think investment criteria to make it a true selection tool Q2-5 Ch₇ - Align RMF with IC F2-5 - Simplify accreditation processes and requirements No, only 8% of commitments have been Is the GCF able to disburse? while creating a differentiated model for different disbursed. access modalities and as per entity capacities and Yes, the sectors of funded projects are Q3-1 needs. in line with (I)NDCS, NAPs, NAMAs, etc. Was capital committed according to country needs? but not take into account GCF's compar- Report on progress against revamped strategy and ative advantage. Q3-2 Ch6 Does the GCF Co-create climate value through an expanded list of Was capital committed 50/50 to adapta-No, adaptation commitments are only address climate modalities including project/programmatic/sector tion and mitigation according to results half of denominated commitments to change priorities in based investments that use innovation and incentives areas? mitigation. eligible countries? for innovation and impact Ch6 Q3-3 • Re-think grant-equivalent calculator Impact areas are in line with country Are likely impacts in line with expecta-• Re-emphasize adaptation and set financial goals for needs but likelihood of achieving extions? private sector participation in adaptation. pected impact is modest. (next page) Pq 1



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RECOMMENDATIONS

- R4-1 Develop a new evidence-based strategic plan which has a vision, implementation plan and quantitative targets.
- Create an integrated accreditation and project cycle that is consistent with the overall strategy and is simplified, transparent and differentiated with an approved accreditation strategy.
- More closely integrate readiness and accreditation.
- Set up time bound sub-goals for sectors and modalities for divisions and teams within the secretariat, including those for failure rates.
- Work towards a model to ensure co-creation of investments while thinking of both incentives and structure and processes to enable this within the Secretariat and for AEs and country level stakeholders.
- Evaluate the roles and capacities of NDAs.
- Create Terms of Reference for NDAs.
- Review implementation approach and performance of the AEs in countries.
- Clarify ownership, responsibilities and rules of engagement amongst different actors including amongst and across Secretariat staff, NDAs, C/PSOs, AE staff, project beneficiaries, among others.
- R4-3 Examine the sufficiency of current modalities given the business model of the GCF.
- Restructure the secretariat to maximise impact
 - Remove distinction between DMA and PSF
 - Create hybrid sectoral teams
- Create incentives & KPIs in the Secretariat for the best instrument package for climate solutions (global value for money rather than disbursement as KPI)
- Create different tracks in the overall accreditation and project cycle (hard/easy or easy hard/lean in/out).
- While approving new policies, ensure they all have an analvses of consequence for the current portfolio and workload.

R4-4

R4-2

- Streamline project cycle to avoid duplications and rework for greater predictability for AEs and countries.
- Ensure transparency towards AEs on selection and on project cycle.
- Instead of having a variety of policy documents that AEs and countries have to approve internally and work through, have a 'climate policy' document that synthesizes requirements of ESS, financial due diligence and reporting with a specific focus on additions due to climate change, and share with agencies that are keen to get accredited.
- Create a functioning MIS
- Set quality targets for projects (APRs?)