

Selection criteria for NGO representatives to be funded to attend the CIF Second Partnerships Forum in Manila, 18-19th March, 2010.

The World Bank defines civil society as follows: *'the wide array of non-governmental and not-for-profit organizations that have a presence in public life, expressing the interests and values of their members or others, based on ethical, cultural, political, scientific, religious or philanthropic considerations. Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) therefore refer to a wide of array of organizations: community groups, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), labour unions, indigenous groups, charitable organizations, faith-based organizations, professional associations, and foundations'*.

Working with the Advisory Group, and adapting the criteria established in a consultative process by RESOLVE for selecting 'Active Observers' for the CIF (<http://www.resolve.org/>), Stakeholder Forum has generated a set of criteria for **NGO representatives** from **developing countries** to be supported to attend the Second Partnerships Forum in Manila, 18th – 19th March 2010, which is being hosted by the Asian Development Bank. This criteria seeks to achieve a balance between **gender, region and constituencies** and to ensure that all participants have **relevant knowledge and expertise in the CIF programme areas**:

1) Southern representation

- Funding for participation is available for NGO representatives from developing countries (i.e. non-Annex 1): http://unfccc.int/parties_and_observers/parties/non_annex_1/items/2833.php;
- Representation should be balanced across the key regions; Latin America, Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa, North Africa/Middle East and Eastern Europe.

2) Expertise and experience

- Demonstrated affiliation with an organisation or network with a mandate relevant to the purpose and objectives of the Climate Investment Funds (CIF) including
 - clean technology;
 - deforestation and forest degradation;
 - climate resilience;
 - renewable energy.**OR** demonstrated affiliation with a community affected by the work of the CIF committees.
- Experience of the CIF pilot programmes including Egypt, Mexico, Morocco, Philippines, South Africa, Thailand, Turkey, Vietnam, Middle East and North African region.

3) Scope

- Representation across a selection of types Non-Governmental Organisations including grassroots organisations, community groups, labour groups, women's organisations, faith-based organisations.
- Ability, interest, and capacity to consider the needs and concerns of the larger community (not only own organisation/network/community) and report back to the larger stakeholder community.

4) Gender

- Gender balance

5) Independence

- Independence – must disclose current, past, and pending contractual or direct financial relationships with the World Bank, other international financial institutions, and export credit agencies

6) Language

- Participants will need to have sufficient understanding of English in order to effectively take part in the Partnerships Forum.