

STAP ideas for GEF – 7

Very early thoughts!

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Our starting point will be the key messages from our last assembly report

- **Environmental degradation must be tackled in a more integrated and holistic way**, addressing individual focal area concerns in ways that yield multiple benefits, enhance ecosystem services, and improve governance systems within and across national boundaries.
- **Sustainable development should be at the core of GEF interventions**, enabling improved human well-being, health, livelihoods and social equity at the same time as environmental protection.
- **The GEF should continue to be catalytic and innovative while actively seeking to effect permanent and transformational change.** This will require effectively leveraging the best scientific knowledge from the design of projects through implementation and evaluation, as well as learning from the experiences of past interventions through successful knowledge management.

Implications for **what** the GEF does and **how** it is done

- What
 - Integration – with SDG's, across drivers, focal areas, multiple benefits
 - Innovation – experimenting, risk-taking, catalyzing
- How
 - Learning – by doing and by diffusion; knowledge management
 - Adaptive management – flexibility, programmatic approaches

Integration

- Place based
 - Source to sea
 - Areas beyond national jurisdiction
- Driver based
 - Commodity production
 - Bio-based economy
- Outcome based
 - Energy access
 - Environmental security

Learning – essential for different routes to scaling up

- From scaling up pilots to designing for scale
 - Designing for scale will require embedding learning into the implementation cycle
- From removing barriers to scaling to scaling as barrier removal
 - Learning is essential for internal dynamics to drive growth
- Scale as a natural consequence of widespread adoption / diffusion of practice
 - Strategy is common, response is heterogeneous – learning essential to accommodate the variety in actors