

Decision on Agenda Item 5, Use of evaluative approaches in CIF activities

The joint meeting, having reviewed document CTF-SCF/TFC.10/4, *Use of Evaluative Approaches in CIF Activities*, welcome the overview provided by the MDBs of: (a) their existing monitoring and evaluation systems, (b) procedures for evaluative approaches in their regular operations, and (c) the application of such systems and procedures to CIF-funded activities.

The joint meeting invites the independent evaluation department of each MDB to consider how it can include CIF-funded projects within its regular evaluation program and to report back to the joint meeting of the CTF and SCF Trust Fund Committees in November 2013 to provide an overview of how much the CIF portfolio will be evaluated and with what type of evaluation, taking fully into account existing country systems for monitoring and evaluation.

The joint meeting requests the CIF Administrative Unit to work with the MDBs to prepare, in accordance with the MDBs' existing procedures for evaluative approaches, for review in November 2013 a proposal for modalities and incentives, including financial implications, that could be put in place with the goal of agreeing the number of CIF-funded projects that include impact evaluations and quasi-experimental real times evaluations aimed at generating evaluative information during the course of project implementation. In preparing the proposal, the CIF Administrative Unit and the MDBs should:

- (a) prepare a preliminary list of initiatives in consultation with pilot and partner countries in each CIF program that would lend themselves to inclusion of real time evaluative approaches; and
- (b) take fully into account existing country systems for monitoring and evaluation and recommend how those systems can contribute to the real time evaluations of CIF-funded projects, and subject to their respective policies and procedures applicable to this exercise.