Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel

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STAP Scientific and Technical screening of the Project Identification Form (PIF)

Date of screening: May 08, 2013 Screener: Lev Neretin
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Consultant(s):

I. PIF Information (Copied from the PIF)

**FULL SIZE PROJECT**  **GEF TRUST FUND**

- **GEF PROJECT ID**: 5378
- **PROJECT DURATION**: 4 years
- **COUNTRIES**: Brazil
- **PROJECT TITLE**: Fourth National Communication and Biennial Update Reports to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
- **GEF AGENCIES**: UNDP
- **OTHER EXECUTING PARTNERS**: Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation
- **GEF FOCAL AREA**: Climate Change

II. STAP Advisory Response (see table below for explanation)

Based on this PIF screening, STAP’s advisory response to the GEF Secretariat and GEF Agency(ies): **Consent**

III. Further guidance from STAP

Is Transport included under "energy" in 1.3 of Section B Table?
If Component 1 is "Updating" “Updating" and "Improvement" its 3 sub-components, why is the cost at around $13 M so high?
It's not clear to me what GEF is being asked to actually support.

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<th>STAP advisory response</th>
<th>Brief explanation of advisory response and action proposed</th>
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<td>1. Consent</td>
<td>STAP acknowledges that on scientific or technical grounds the concept has merit. However, STAP may state its views on the concept emphasizing any issues where the project could be improved. Follow up: The GEF Agency is invited to approach STAP for advice during the development of the project prior to submission of the final document for CEO endorsement.</td>
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<td>Minor revision required</td>
<td>STAP has identified specific scientific or technical challenges, omissions or opportunities that should be addressed by the project proponents during project development. Follow up: One or more options are open to STAP and the GEF Agency: (i) GEF Agency should discuss the issues with STAP to clarify them and possible solutions. (ii) In its request for CEO endorsement, the GEF Agency will report on actions taken in response to STAP’s recommended actions.</td>
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<td>Major revision required</td>
<td>STAP has identified significant scientific or technical challenges or omissions in the PIF and recommends significant improvements to project design. Follow-up: (i) The Agency should request that the project undergo a STAP review prior to CEO endorsement, at a point in time when the particular scientific or technical issue is sufficiently developed to be reviewed, or as agreed between the Agency and STAP. (ii) In its request for CEO endorsement, the Agency will report on actions taken in response to STAP concerns.</td>
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