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NO OBJECTION PROCEDURE AND PROJECT IDEAS SELECTION FOR THE COUNTRY PROGRAM – TURKMENISTAN

For any project proposal to the Green Climate Fund (GCF)

“NO OBJECTION PROCEDURE” IS REQUIRED

- ➔ Funding Proposal - **FP**
- ➔ Simplified Access Project - **SAP**
- ➔ Project Preparation Facility - **PPF**

WHO?

The National Designated Authority (NDA) is responsible for this procedure. - It is executed by the Department on Coordination of International Environment Cooperation and Projects of the Ministry of Agriculture and Environmental Protection of Turkmenistan. The procedure includes the evaluation of the funding proposals' compliance with national plans and strategies, and development of the funding proposal in context with national strategies, plans and the GCF Environmental and Social Safeguards.

If **“No Objection Letter” is not submitted** within 30 days, the GCF Secretariat will notify the relevant accredited entity and the **consideration of the proposal will be suspended.**

“No Objection Letter” (NOL)

“No Objection Letter” by the NDA, in accordance with the provisions of the GCF procedure, will mean the following:

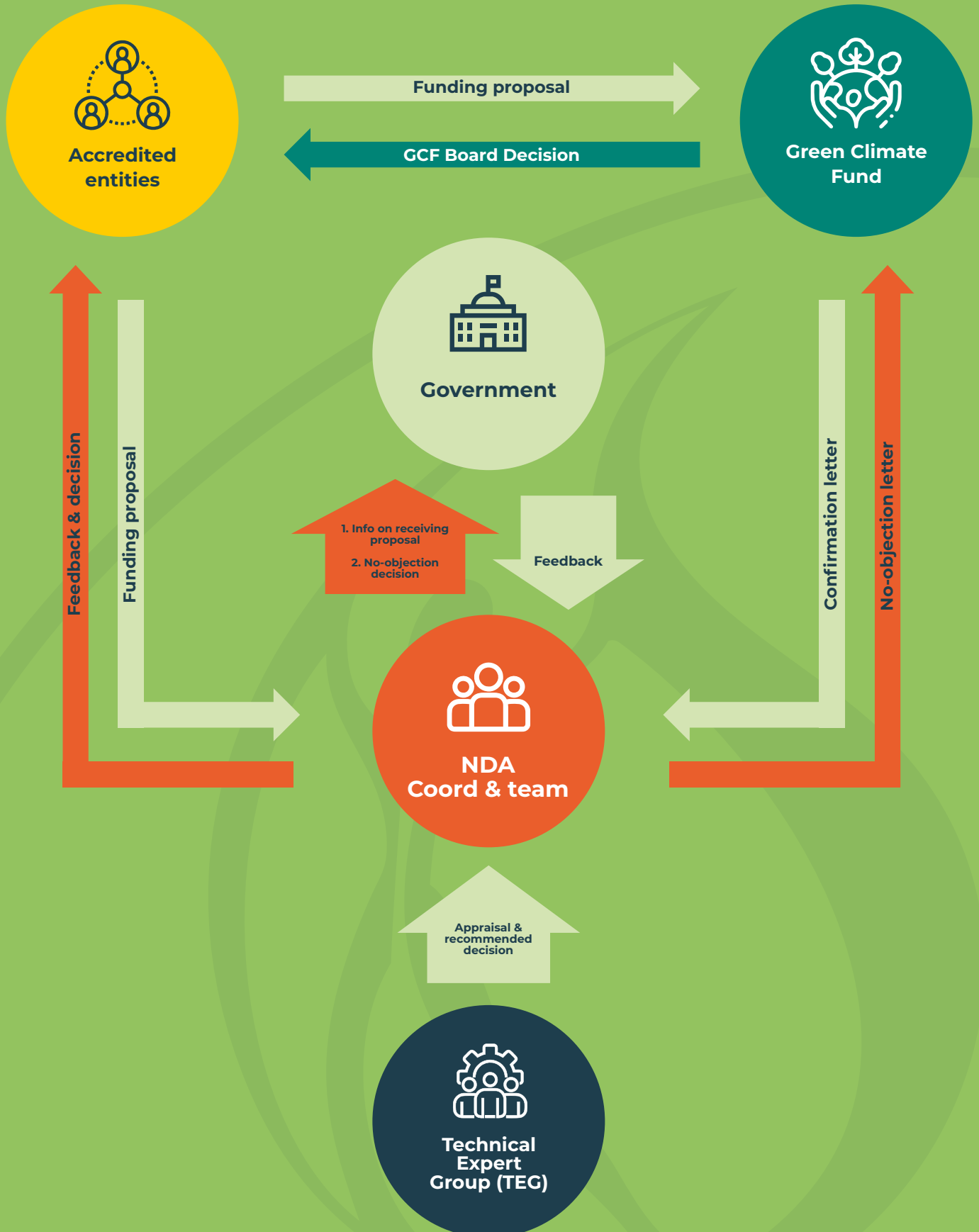
- The government of Turkmenistan does not object to the financial proposal;
- The submitted financial proposal is consistent with the national priorities, strategies, and plans of the country and complements them; and
- The financial proposal submitted is consistent with the relevant national laws and the GCF Environmental and Social Safeguards.

In the case of financial proposals related to programme funding that consists of several projects (e.g. in several countries), the “No Objection” procedure will be applied to all projects or activities that should be implemented under the approved programme.

TERMS

The procedure ends with issuing the **“No Objection Letter” that is signed by the NDA Coordinator/Head.** The GCF Secretariat has to receive the “No Objection Letter” **no later than 30 days after reception of the project proposal.** The “No Objection Letter” should be issued to the GCF for each financial proposal submitted for approval by the accredited entity. The GCF Secretariat will formally acknowledge receipt of the “No Objection Letter” to the NDA and the relevant accredited entity. In order to increase transparency, all “No Objection Letters” will be posted on the GCF's website.

Step by step description of the No Objection procedure:



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1



Funding proposal - FP / SAP / PPF - are distributed by the NDA among the TEG

The Inter-Ministerial Commission on Environmental Protection is informed about ongoing evaluation.

- **For evaluation of FP** - all members of the TEG must be included into the evaluation process.
- **For evaluation of SAP/PPF** - not all members of the TEG, but members from relevant agencies and organizations are included.

2



Assessment of the FP feasibility (compliance).

The assessment will be prepared by the TEG based on the Questionnaire or using another tool. If the TEG member realizes that some strategy or important part of legislation relevant for a concrete project is missing, he/she will add it into the Questionnaire matrix and do the evaluation also according to this strategy.

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The NDA collects evaluation results from the TEG members, checks the objections and discusses them with relevant experts.

The NDA has to address all objections and comments made by the expert-specialists from the line ministries and organizations.

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The NDA prepares recommendation on NOL and sends it to the Inter-Ministerial Commission on Environmental Protection.

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The Inter-Ministerial Commission on Environmental Protection prepares its recommendation based on the NDA's recommendation.

To the Committee meeting, a representative of the accredited entity could be invited to present the Funding proposal. Based on the results of the discussion of the current Funding proposal, the Commission confirms the appropriateness of the approval and subsequent implementation of this project by including the corresponding decision in the minutes of the meeting.

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The Ministry of Agriculture and Environmental Protection of Turkmenistan prepares an appropriate letter to the Cabinet of Ministers or the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan with a request to initiate the project approval procedure in accordance with the established procedure.

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The NDA issues and signs (or not) "No Objection Letter"

and submits the letter to the GCF after the Funding proposal submitted to the GCF or to an accredited entity before the Funding proposal submitted to the GCF.

The GCF has to receive the "No Objection Letter" **no later than 30 days after reception of the FP/SAP/PPF.**



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