



## Convention to Combat Desertification

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### Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention

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#### Effective implementation of the Convention at the national, subregional and regional levels

#### Securing of additional investments: relations with financial mechanisms

## Collaboration with the Global Environment Facility

### Draft decision submitted by the Chairperson of the Committee on the Review of the Implementation of the Convention

*The Conference of the Parties,*

*Recalling* articles 5, 6, 20 and 21 of the Convention,

*Taking note* of the concerns expressed with regard to the allocation of resources across the different focal areas,

*Having considered* the report of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) contained in document ICCD/CRIC(14)/5 and the conclusions and recommendations made by the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention (CRIC) at its thirteenth session,

1. *Welcomes* the continued support for the implementation of the Convention and the increase of resources for the land degradation focal area under the sixth replenishment of the GEF Trust Fund (GEF-6) as compared to GEF-5;
2. *Invites* the GEF to continue its support for the implementation of the Convention under GEF-6 in the light of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in particular target 15.3;
3. *Also invites* the donors to the GEF to consider providing increased support to address country priorities relating to the implementation of the Convention, in the light of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in particular target 15.3, during the planning process for GEF-7;

4. *Encourages* Parties to engage in South–South cooperation under GEF-6 and *invites* the GEF to continue its support to Parties in this regard;
5. *Also invites* the GEF to consider enhancing its support to the GEF Small Grants Programme under GEF-7;
6. *Further invites* donors to the GEF to give due consideration to the concerns expressed with regard to the allocation of resources across the different focal areas and *encourages* Parties, through the GEF and the Convention’s focal points and their constituencies, to advocate for a balanced allocation of funds among the Rio conventions;
7. *Also invites* the GEF to continue its GEF Country Support Programme, including GEF workshops aimed at strengthening the capacity of Parties to utilize GEF resources for the effective implementation of the Convention;
8. *Invites* the GEF, in the context of enabling activities under GEF-6, to consider technical and financial support for voluntary national land degradation neutrality target-setting;
9. *Invites* the GEF to report on the implementation of this decision as part of its next report to the Conference of the Parties.

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