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### 1. Background and Relevant Mandates

- 1.1. The United Nations Environment Programme's engagement with the private sector is grounded in Governing Council Decision 22/7 "Engaging business and industry", which was approved during the 22<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Governing Council in 2003.
- 1.2. The UN Environment Programme's approach has evolved to reflect the call to enhance the business engagement for sustainable development and the ambitions of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals in terms of collaboration with the private sector. The 2030 Agenda, adopted by the General Assembly in 2015<sup>1</sup>, recognizes that the scale and ambition of the new Agenda requires a revitalized Global Partnership to ensure its implementation, bringing together governments and the private sector. Member States also acknowledged the role of a diverse private sector with geographic balance, ranging from micro-enterprises to cooperatives to multinationals, all of which can contribute to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.
- 1.3. The UN Environment Assembly's resolution 2/5 on the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development adopted in 2016 sets out the parameters in which the Programme is to revitalize its work with the private sector. The Resolution (paragraph 12): "Requests the Executive Director to initiate new multi-stakeholder partnerships, where appropriate, and within available resources, and strengthen existing ones, including with the private sector, civil society and other relevant stakeholders, to promote activities that contribute to delivering the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development".
- 1.4. More recently The Ministerial Declaration of the 4<sup>th</sup> UN Environment Assembly calls for "promoting sustainable and innovative financing opportunities and mechanisms to unlock new capital for sustainable investment and upscaling of sustainable business models, with a special focus on small and medium-sized enterprises" and for "seeking out innovative solutions to environmental challenges by strengthening partnerships between the public and private sectors and academia for accelerating the uptake and upscaling of those solutions". The recently adopted Programme of Work and Budget for the UN Environment Programme for the biennium 2020-2021 calls upon the UN Environment Programme "to promote, support and oversee partnerships to contribute to the implementation of the Environment Assembly resolutions and the Programme of Work", while also emphasizing the need of complying with integrity measures.
- 1.5. The Assembly also adopted an important resolution entitled "Addressing environmental challenges through sustainable business practices" which "requests the Executive Director of UN Environment Programme, in collaboration with other UN bodies and UN partners, to continue to support the development of skills, especially for micro, small and medium sized enterprises, to promote sustainable production patterns, including cleaner production and

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Adopted by General Assembly resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015 entitled, "Transforming Our World: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development."

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industrial symbiosis in order to enhance their profitability, resource efficiency and productivity". The resolution also calls for the UN Environment Programme "to develop and implement programmes that catalyse replication, upscale existing innovative solutions and technologies, and promote the uptake of sustainable business approaches".

- 1.6. Against this backdrop, the UN Environment Programme aims to be at the forefront for collaborating with the private sector in constructive and results-oriented partnerships that will bring the needed innovations, technological solutions and financing to tackle our most pressing global environmental challenges. The private sector will also be instrumental in contributing to the implementation of the relevant resolutions decided upon by 193 Member States at the UN Environment Assembly.
- 1.7. The purpose of this report is to inform Member States on progress made in engaging the private sector through partnership initiatives in support to the implementation of the Programme of Work and Budget.
- 1.8. The report includes an Annex of the updated list of current private sector partnership initiatives concluded by the UN Environment Programme with individual companies as of October 2018.

#### 2. Definition of the Private Sector

2.1. Following the 2030 Agenda, the UN Environment Programme regards the private sector as ranging from micro-enterprises to cooperatives to multinationals. It includes for-profit enterprises; companies or businesses regardless of size, ownership or structure; as well as private financial institutions, businesses trade associations and organizations that represent private sector interests. It also includes corporate philanthropic foundations.

## 3. Highlights of Private Sector Engagement across Sub-programmes

- 3.1. The UN Environment Programme has been working with private sector representatives and associations in the following areas: finance, oil and gas, waste, water, food and beverages, agriculture and fisheries, forestry, electric power, heating and cooling, tire and transport, mining and metals, tourism, building and construction, chemicals including plastics and cosmetics, manufacturing including textile and leather, information and communication technology, and retail. We also have regular engagement with networks of professionals, such as lawyers, whose work can positively contribute to addressing environmental issues.
- 3.2. This cooperation has targeted progress towards more resilient supply chains, new green investment opportunities, and increased availability of environmentally sustainable goods and

services in the global market, thereby advancing towards the realization of an inclusive Green Economy and more sustainable consumption and production patterns.

3.3. Most efforts undertaken are through Divisions and Regional Offices and engaging the private sector cuts across several Sub-programmes and support various Sustainable Development Goals. This section provides highlights of relevant activities according to Sub-programmes.

#### **Sub-programme 1: Climate Change**

- 3.4. The UN Environment Programme has initiated several innovative models of public-private partnerships to enhance financing for the dissemination of low-carbon technologies to tackle climate change and promote clean energy. The following initiatives aim to scale-up ambitions and impacts of climate actions by delivering support through unified processes and systems on the ground:
- The Seed Capital Assistance Facility (SCAF) partners with private investment structures in Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa to address the current finance gap in the early development of renewable energy and energy efficiency projects and ventures. The Facility uniquely works through private actors, supporting on a cost-sharing basis those investors who provide local project developers and entrepreneurs with the enterprise development services and the early stage risk capital they need to develop sustainable energy businesses and projects. By supporting the development of "bankable projects", SCAF increases the scale and scope of clean energy investment opportunities available to commercial financiers and capital mobilization into the clean energy sphere in the least developed countries. Since 2010, the Facility has partnered with 14 investment funds and companies, brought more than 160 opportunities in their investment pipelines, and co-supported the early development of many of them.
- Setting up a Seed Capital Assistance Facility for Forest and Landscape Restoration which builds on the experience of the Seed Capital Assistance Facility in renewable energy and energy efficiency. The Facility unlocks private sector financing in forest and landscape restoration by working directly with investors focusing on funding projects in developing countries.
- The *Mediterranean Investment Facility* helps establish innovative financing mechanisms to support renewable energy and energy efficiency systems, as well as allow end-users to invest in renewable energies. The *Facility* works in concert with electricity utilities, policy makers, technology suppliers, installers and local banks. It uses a country-driven approach to develop projects that catalyze the creation of sustainable energy finance and the expansion of the market for low-carbon technologies in the Mediterranean region. The aim is to support each country to reduce national emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change.
- Women's Entrepreneurship for Sustainable Energy: is a joint UN Environment Programme and UN Women initiative which aims at increasing women's productive use of sustainable energy through capacity-building and skills development; engendering of energy policies; and increasing women's access to finance.

- Tropical Forest Finance Facility which supports the development of a pipeline of bankable projects in Indonesia for sustainable forests and landscape management. It brings long-term financing to projects and companies that stimulate green growth and improve rural livelihoods. The Facility will use public funding to unlock private investment in renewable production, sustainable landscape management that reduces deforestation and forest degradation. This Facility also supports the Ecosystems Sub-programme.
- United for Efficiency (U4E) is a global public-private partnership led by the UN Environment Programme supporting developing countries to save up to 20% of their electricity usage and corresponding emissions by transforming their markets to higher efficiency appliances and equipment. U4E works to inform policy makers of the significant environmental and economic savings and benefits available which are up to US\$1 trillion by 2030, promotes global best practices and supports the implementation of strategic energy efficiency programmes in over 40 countries, working with more than 30 global partners, including the leading global appliance and equipment manufacturers such as Arçelik, B/S/H/, Gree, Electrolux, MABE, Sanhua, Whirlpool and ABB: https://united4efficiency.org/accelerating-the-transition-to-high-efficiency-products/ The activities also contribute to the Chemicals, Waste, Air Quality, and Resource Efficiency Subprogrammes.
- District Energy in Cities Initiative is a multi-stakeholder partnership led by the UN Environment Programme. It helps national and municipal governments in 36 cities and 14 countries adopt district energy systems that provide efficient and renewable heating and cooling services and reduce pollution. The Initiative has over 43 global partners including leading technology and service providers and financiers such as Danfoss, Thermax, Johnson Controls, ENGIE, Empower, Moon Group, and the International Finance Corporation (www.districtenergyinitaitive.org). The partners increase awareness on the multiple benefits of district energy (cleaner air, climate change, reduced use of hydrofluorocarbons); showcase good practices; strengthen enabling environments to attract investment; and build local know-how through demonstration projects. The activities also contribute to the Chemicals, Waste, Air Quality, and Resource Efficiency Subprogrammes.
- The UN Environment Programme, together with 20 investors from 11 countries representing close to US\$3 trillion have formed a leadership group to promote climate transparency by the investor community. The group, including Norges Bank Investment Management, Aviva, Caisse de Dépôt et Placement du Québec, Desjardins Group, Nordea and Storebrand Asset Management, have piloted the recent recommendations of the Financial Stability Board's Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TFCD). The outputs and conclusions of this group will stimulate and ease the adoption of these recommendations by the wider industry, including the 1,900 investor members of the Principles for Responsible Investment. This follows the work of an equivalent group of 16 banks, launched in 2017 and convened and facilitated by UNEP FI, that has published an investor guide to scenario-based methods for climate risk assessment in May 2019. To find out more, please see: (https://www.unepfi.org/publications/investment-publications/changing-course-a-comprehensive-investor-guide-to-scenario-based-methods-for-climate-risk-assessment-in-response-to-the-tcfd/).
- The Partnership for Clean Fuels and Vehicles, which brings together over 70 organizations from both developing and developed countries representing vehicle industries, governments and civil

society. The Partnership – which operates globally as well as in countries - also contributes to the Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality Sub-programme.

#### **Sub-programme 2: Resilience to Disasters and Conflicts**

- 3.5. Within countries affected by conflict, access to the best available data on natural resources and environmental risks is a critical need. Within the sub-programme the main partnership activity currently implemented is the following:
- To consolidate information on natural resources and environmental risks within a cloud computing platform, the UN Environment Programme teamed up with the World Bank and GRID/Geneva to develop MapX, a platform which consolidates key information about natural resources and environmental risks into an online system which permits real time analysis, visualization, and impact monitoring. It is also being expanded to service the spatial information needs of different conventions including the Minamata Convention on Mercury, the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants and the Convention on Biodiversity. (www.mapx.org)

#### **Sub-programme 3: Healthy and Productive Ecosystems**

- 3.6. The following ecosystems-related activities are implemented since 2017:
- For the first time, the UN Environment Programme has been instrumental in directing significant amounts of private financing (US\$95 million as a first tranche in a total budget of US\$350 million) towards sustainable forest and landscape management. In total, BNP Paribas will consider up to US\$10 billion of similar joint investments until 2025, and the recent partnership with Rabobank adds another US\$1 billion.
- The UN Environment Programme is proactively working with businesses to unlock and scale up private capital for sustainable land use. Forests and agriculture hold more than 30% of the climate solution (in terms of providing cost- effective mitigation potential), but currently receive less than 3% of public climate finance. There is need for a "business unusual" by better balancing, on the one hand, food production and economic growth, and on the other hand, the need to reduce emissions and protect biodiversity (land use accounts for about one fourth of total emissions and tropical forests are among the most biodiverse ecosystems in the world).
- Over the past months, the UN Environment Programme's Ecosystems Division, in collaboration with key partners, has set up and facilitated a number of initiatives aimed at removing the regulatory, economic and financial barriers that currently prevent effective action. These initiatives aim to use public funding to leverage and unlock private capital at scale for sustainable agricultural commodity production, as well as forest and landscape restoration. Some examples include the *Tropical Landscapes Finance Facility* in Indonesia with BNP Paribas, ADM Capital, the UN Environment Programme and

ICRAF to bring long-term financing to sustainable landscape management (this is part of a broader partnership with BNP Paribas).

- The UN Environment Programme has also partnered with the *Sustainable Trade Initiative* and a new 'de-risking facility called & *Green* (through an innovative Global Environment Facility-funded project) that aims to work with private sector partners to use public finance for deforestation-free commodity production.
- In November 2018, the UN Environment Programme launched the *Natural Capital Risk Explorer*. This is an online tool that links nature to economy. This tool helps financial institutions to analysis risk by linking drivers of change in nature to ecosystem service provision by economic sector. Five commercial banks in Colombia, Peru and South Africa piloted this natural capital risk framework which UN Environment Programme developed.
- The UN Environment Programme also supported private sector institutions in developing business cases for deforestation-free commodities in various countries. The Programme worked with corporate partners and Member States on the removal of regulatory, economic and financial barriers to unlock and (re)direct public and private capital to sustainable land use. Our partners included commercial and development banks like Rabobank and BNP Paribas.

### **Sub-programme 4: Environmental Governance**

- 3.7. The private sector has an important role to play to ensure compliance with policies and legal frameworks and to contribute in other ways to effective environmental governance. Private sector entities can also contribute to the development of standards and to deliver certain aspects of the Programme of Work and Budget. Building on ongoing streams of work, as outlined below, the UN Environment Programme will increasingly strengthen its engagement with the private sector to foster impact through strengthened environmental governance.
- 3.8. Existing areas of engagement with the private sector include the following:
- Environmental Rule of Law and Business: The "Environmental Rule of Law Report", launched early in 2019, outlines the role of environmental rule of law in creating a fair framework for the sustainable management of businesses and fostering a culture of compliance. The impact on business of weak environmental rule of law, and the role that businesses can play to strengthen it, is weaved through all sections of the report (https://www.unenvironment.org/resources/assessment/environmental-rule-law-first-global-report).
- Collaboration with the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC): The Law Division and the Private Sector Unit in the Governance Affairs Office have initiated a partnership

with the ICC, which is the largest business organization in the world. Its six million members in over 100 countries have interests spanning every sector of private enterprise. In 2019, a Memorandum of Understanding is intended to be signed between the UN Environment Programme and the ICC to facilitate concrete collaboration on projects and programmes. This is intended to include partnership on environmental law activities, with the ICC facilitating opportunities for the private sector to meaningfully engage in ongoing and planned environmental law initiatives at national, regional and international levels.

- Collaboration among Caspian Sea littoral states to tackle plastic pollution: The Caspian Sea littoral states will develop in 2019 a draft Regional Plan to tackle plastic pollution. Actions to be considered include an assessment of the amount, types and impact of marine litter in the Caspian region, and a study on local and national laws related to land-based sources of pollution to identify gaps. In addition, massive coastal clean-up activities will be held in August 2019 on Caspian Sea Day which marks the entry into force of the Tehran Convention. The work is sponsored by the Coca-Cola Foundation through the Global Water Challenge under the New World Program. It will be implemented by the Public Fund 'Water Initiatives Center' under the auspices of the Tehran Convention interim Secretariat.
- Pro-bono legal support on climate legislation: A web-based portal has been developed to
  provide developing countries with pro bono legal advice by legal experts from the private
  sector for the review and development of climate legislation for implementing the Paris
  Agreement and nationally determined contributions. This portal is now up and running
  and has been accessed by parliamentarians from 16 countries seeking advice on different
  elements of climate related legislation (https://legalresponse.org/home/climate-legislationadvice-portal/)
- Legal Preparedness for Climate Finance: A Roundtable on Legal Readiness for Climate Finance: Private Sector Opportunities was jointly held with King's College London in January 2019. This initiative brought together private banks and private sector law firms with the objective of sharing views on what a regulatory landscape that facilitates investment into climate action might look like. Central Banks (regulators) also outlined the key elements of legal and regulatory options they have implemented or are considering. Closely related to this, a community of practice in this area is growing around the Network for Greening the Financial System (the NGFS), aimed at central banks and supervisors. The group has grown from just eight European banks in late 2017 to 34 central banks and supervisors by April 2019, plus observers. The UN Environment Programme contributes to this initiative.

### **Sub-programme 5: Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality**

3.9. The following activities are initiated under this Sub-programme:

- The Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM) is a multistakeholder approach to sound chemicals and waste management. Private sector companies and industry associations play a key role in the strategic approach to foster action at all levels and at all times. The work has resulted in a Memorandum of Understanding between the International Council of Chemical Associations and the UN Environment Programme.
- Private-sector entities, including companies and private laboratories, have benefited from knowledge, tools and technical guidance provided by the UN Environment Programme to improve risk assessment and address priority chemical and waste issues, including the use of the Global Waste Management Outlook and Regional Waste Management Outlooks as well as laboratory training and testing. The UN Environment Programme also works with small and medium-sized enterprises to enhance the adoption of sound chemicals management practices and promote eco-innovation.
- The *Global Chemicals Outlook II* has been launched in 2019. Representatives of the chemical industry, chemical-intensive industry sectors (e.g. automotive and textiles), business associations, entrepreneurs and other private sector actors have contributed throughout its development and continue to be engaged in outreach and follow-up activities. This includes participation in the Steering Committee of the Global Chemicals Outlook II, substantive contributions, peer review, and participation in workshops.
- The UN Environment Programme continues to advance a common understanding of and explore opportunities presented by *Green and Sustainable Chemistry*. Various companies have participated in a UN Environment Programme survey on the topic and submitted best practices in sustainable chemistry. A number of start-up companies and entrepreneurs participated in a workshop organized by the UN Environment Programme to learn from case studies in sustainable chemistry. The UN Environment Programme will continue to engage private sector representatives in responding to the mandate received from the UN Environment Assembly to develop manuals on green and sustainable chemistry.
- Initiated in 2005, the *UN Environment Programme Global Mercury Partnership* brings together 183 stakeholders (as at 20 May 2019) from governments, industry, nongovernmental organizations, and academia dedicated to reducing mercury pollution and protecting human health and the environment from the impacts of mercury. The partnership plays an important role in catalyzing global action on mercury and offering information, capacity-building, and awareness-raising in support of implementation of the Minamata Convention. A number of private companies and business associations are members of the partnership, contributing their knowledge and experience from a wide range of sectors including cement, coal, chlorine, electronics, health, jewelry, mining or waste management.

- With support from the Global Environment Facility, the UN Environment Programme is
  working with gold refiners on reducing mercury use and enhancing access to markets.
  This includes efforts to formalize the artisanal and small-scale gold mining sector in
  developing countries, bringing it into the tax regime and allowing workers to access
  benefits.
- Through the *Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint* (or Lead Paint Alliance) and with support of the Global Environment Facility, the UN Environment Programme is working with paint industry associations (International Paint and Print Ink Council) and private sector partners to eliminate lead paint. The UN Environment Programme is also working with Pure Earth, the *Global Battery Alliance* and the International Lead Association to promote environmentally-sound management of waste lead-acid batteries.
- The *Chemicals in Products Programme* is a global initiative aimed at managing chemicals in products to ultimately reduce the risk to humans and the environment. The UN Environment Programme, industry and other stakeholders are joining forces to reduce risks from hazardous chemicals in products by aligning government and corporate goals on chemicals. The textile industry, toys industry, electronics industry and automobile industry are engaged in this programme, and the recycling industry is under consideration for engagement in the near future
- The *PCB Elimination Network* provides quality-assured information through the sharing of experiences and knowledge on the environmentally sound management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and their alternatives. The Network works through fostering collaboration of stakeholders the industry and business sector to facilitate information exchange, providing targeted assistance, and developing guidance materials towards the efforts by various organizations and initiatives to support developing countries to manage PCB oils and contaminated equipment in meeting the objectives of the Stockholm Convention.
- The Global Alliance for the Development and Deployment of Products, Methods and Strategies as Alternatives to DDT for Disease Vector Control promotes the development of locally safe, effective, affordable and environmentally sound alternatives to DDT as a vector control. It focuses on providing a platform for cross-sector dialogue of key stakeholders including private sector, to support existing initiatives and by catalyzing new initiatives or partnerships to stimulate concrete actions.
- Through the *Phasing out single-use plastics: towards clean seas and sustainable tourism in the Caribbean* initiative, the hotel industries of the Dominican Republic and St. Lucia have been engaged. The collaboration relies on joining efforts to reduce the volume of single use plastics in the Caribbean by implementing sustainable procurement practices and eco-innovative solutions within the tourism industry.

#### **Sub-programme 6: Resource Efficiency**

- 3.10. The unsustainable use of resources has triggered critical scarcities and caused climate change and widespread environmental degradation all of which have negative impacts on the well-being of the planet and its people. Responding to this dual challenge will require innovative policies, redirected investment, environmentally-sound technologies, international cooperation, and capacity development to support countries in the transition to inclusive green economies.
- 3.11. The UN Environment Programme's work on resource efficiency focuses, among others, on fostering partnerships with business and industry for cleaner production and green investments; influencing consumer information and choice for sustainable lifestyles; and strengthening and communicating the knowledge and scientific base for resource efficiency and sustainable consumption and production.
- 3.12. The United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI) is a partnership between the UN Environment Programme and the global financial sector created in the wake of the 1992 Earth Summit with a mission to promote sustainable finance. More than 240 financial institutions, including banks, insurers, and investors, work with the UN Environment Programme to understand today's environmental, social and governance challenges, why they matter to finance, and how to actively participate in addressing them. Our membership has grown by more than 10 percent in the past year and continues to grow.
- 3.13. A key new initiative, UNEP FI's *Principles for Responsible Banking* is helping banks respond to the Paris Climate Agreement and the Sustainable Development Goals. Currently, 28 member banks representing more than US\$17 trillion in assets, are developing the new framework which will provide the global reference for what it means to be a responsible bank and provide actionable guidance on how to achieve this. The Principles will enable the banking industry to embed sustainability at the heart of their business strategies, helping banks seize the opportunities of the changing economy and society for the 21st Century. The Principles will be launched in September 2019 during the UN General Assembly week when it is anticipated that 100 banks will sign them.
- 3.14. Launched in January 2019, a new project, 'A Legal Framework for Impact' will see UNEP FI working with investors to ensure that assessing and accounting for the sustainability impact of investment decision-making is a core part of investment activity. Investors have a fiduciary duty to integrate financial material, including environmental, social and governance factors. In addition, investors are increasingly considering 'impact duties' such as decarbonisation targets, commitments to quality of life, gender equality or integrating the impact of their investments on wider society. UNEP FI will work with partners and a group of institutional investment managers to produce the new legal framework.
- 3.15. UNEP FI has set up the *Energy Efficiency Finance Platform*, which offers information exchange on leading practices between financial institutions from all world regions. The Platform will benefit from the inputs of leading financial institutions, recognized as

knowledge partners, and is available to the entire UNEP FI membership. The Platform was launched on 28 March 2019.

- 3.16. Sustainable Consumption and Production are key focus of the 10-Year Framework of Programmes (or *One Planet Network*), which generates impact through multi-stakeholder programmes and partnerships and seeks to develop, replicate and scale up sustainable consumption and production policies and initiatives at all levels. Business organisations represent 19% of the membership of over 700 organisations in the multi-stakeholder partnerships which also includes national governments, civil society, scientific and technical organisations and international organisations. The annual reporting across the network highlights that the adoption of new or improved practices on sustainable consumption and production has primarily been led by business organisations, representing 40% of the total changes reported across the network. Changes in practices offer tangible solutions for the shift to sustainable consumption and production that address both environmental and social impacts. Some 76% of businesses that reported chances in practices are part of the Sustainable Tourism Programme. Most of the impacts that tourism sector businesses reported are linked to the reduction of Greenhouse Gas emissions and waste reduction.
- 3.17. The *Global Alliance for Building and Construction (The Global ABC)*, created in 2015 during COP21 and hosted by the UN Environment Programme secretariat, gathers 120 members among which there are 27 countries and about 25 representatives from the private sector, including Danfoss, Saint-Gobain, WBCSD, and Lafarge-Holcim. Members are invited to partake in a range of work areas, including market transformation. In 2019, the main outcome of this particular working area has been the development of a guidance tool for companies to set science-based targets so as to contribute to the reduction of life cycle carbon emissions of buildings, work on carbon pricing and towards a net zero building. The Global ABC also released its first webinar on 15 May 2019 on science-based target and future proof-buildings.
- 3.18. Other key partnerships include the following:
- Sectoral partnerships for sustainable consumption and production, including the Sustainable Buildings and Climate Initiative; and the Sustainable Rice Platform.
- The *global network for Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production* with its 68 members in more than 60 countries, is supporting the adoption of sustainable business practices in companies. These service providers, mainly based in developing countries, accompany companies in the area of cleaner production, resource efficiency and eco-innovation. Through the eco-innovation project, they supported transformation of 44 small and medium-sized enterprises and their respective value chains, and the uptake of eco-innovation in countries' policies.
- The UN Environment Programme is co-chairing the *Partnership for Accelerating Circular Economy (PACE)*, together with the Global Environment Facility and Philips.

The PACE platform is a global public-private collaboration, hosted by the World Economic Forum.

- The UN Environment Programme collaborates with the private sector on promoting sustainable food systems and agriculture in three distinct workstreams: (1) Food waste As co-Chair of Champions 12.3 in collaboration with inter alia Tesco and the Consumer Goods Forum including a partnership with the largest retailer and food producer in Saudi Arabia, the Savola Group; (2) Sustainable Rice Platform UN Environment Programme is the founder and co-convener of this public-private initiative that promotes sustainable and climate-smart rice production and counts upwards to 90 companies as members ranging from for example large multi-nationals like Mars (Uncle Ben's, Louis Dreyfus Commodities, Kellogg's and Olam) to Asia-based SME's from inter alia Cambodia, India, Pakistan, Vietnam and Myanmar; (3) One Planet Sustainable Food Systems Programme which collaborates with Nestle and other private sector stakeholders on food systems issues. UN Environment Programme also collaborates with World Business Council for Sustainable Development on broad food and agriculture project development and joint research.
- The UN Environment Programme collaborates with the private sector on promoting more sustainable living and lifestyles because people need to have more desirable, accessible and sustainable options to live better. Work contributes to the *One Planet Network Sustainable Lifestyles and Education Programme*. The recently developed *the GoodLIfeGoals* an awareness raising tool around the Sustainable Development Goals is a collaboration with partners including Futerra a sustainability marketing company and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development. In addition, a guideline on how to promote more sustainable living in workplaces, developed with the hospitality sector in Marrakesh, Morocco, can be used worldwide.
- Savola Sustainable Food Systems for Food Security Project "Negaderha" in Saudi Arabia, is a partnership between the Savola Group of Saudi Arabia, the UN Environment Programme and WRAP. This partnership is the first in the region between the UN Environment Programme and the private sector focusing on the transfer of knowledge and best practices in reducing food waste. The partnership approach aims to form coalitions and community-based initiatives in addition to multi-stakeholder collective initiatives and activities.
- In November 2018, the Green Growth Knowledge Platform (GGKP), a joint initiative of the UN Environment Programme, the Global Green Growth Institute, the OECD, and the World Bank, will be relaunching the Green Industry Platform. The Green Industry Platform was initially launched by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), a GGKP Knowledge Partner, at the Rio+20 Conference and has developed a strong network of businesses, industry associations, and international organizations. The new Green Industry Platform will engage with business associations from around the world to deliver and share the latest green business knowledge, case

- studies, tools, and policy information. The aim will be to build global momentum for greening the business sector by providing a platform where cutting-edge knowledge can be developed, mapped, collected, and shared. The platform will ensure the private sector has seamless access to the latest knowledge and data produced by the UN Environment Programme and its partners.
- *The SWITCH-Asia Programme*, which is running the Asia-Pacific Low Carbon Lifestyles Challenge, is engaging Asia-Pacific's startup community to develop goods and services that enable low carbon lifestyles.
- The New Plastics Economy Global Commitment was launched at the Our Oceans Conference in Bali (Indonesia) on 29 October 2018. Led by the Ellen MacArthur Foundation in collaboration with The UN Environment Programme, the Global Commitment brings together and aligns the efforts of businesses, governments, and other organizations behind a common vision and targets to address plastic waste and pollution at its source. It acts as a lighthouse, with specific actions targeted at closing the loop in the plastics system towards a circular economy. As of March 2019, over 350 institutions have signed the New Plastics Economy Global Commitment, including 16 governments from around the world, more than 150 businesses of the plastic packaging value chain (jointly representing over 20% of all plastic packaging used globally), and 26 financial institutions with a combined US\$4.2 trillion worth of assets under management.
- The *Transforming Tourism Value Chains* project aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve resource efficiency in the tourism sector in four countries (Dominican Republic, Mauritius, Saint Lucia, and the Philippines) through a science-based approach, sectoral roadmaps, clear policies, monitoring and reporting tools, and the sharing of knowledge and experience. Over 50 companies, and key business associations have formally expressed their commitment to the project and have contributed meaningful inputs and data to develop the Sectoral roadmap that defines the country's tourism sector priorities and targets in line with the 2030 Agenda. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed with Travelife, one of the leading sustainability certification schemes worldwide, to uptake, scale up and disseminate the Project's tools and recommended practices.

#### **Sub-programme 7: Environment Under Review**

- 3.19. The work on keeping the environment under review aims to bridge the gap between the producers and users of environmental information, empowering policymakers and other stakeholders to act on the latest science. By keeping the environment under review, the UN Environment Programme aims to link science with policy making and foster sustainable development.
- 3.20. The UN Environment Programme formed a partnership with Google in 2018 to improve monitoring of the Sustainable Development Goals. The Memorandum of Understanding signed between the UN Environment Programme and Google elaborates the

formation of a strategic partnership on monitoring the environmental dimension of ustainable development with a focus on the areas where the UN Environment Programme is the custodian, including water quality, water-related ecosystems, ocean health and marine plastics, protected areas, chemicals and waste and sustainable consumption and production. As a first area of collaboration, the UN Environment Programme and Google launched and committed to the regular maintenance of a web application which is used for official monitoring of SDG indicator 6.6.1 on fresh-water related ecosystems.

- 3.21. The UN Environment Programme has entered a partnership with *ADEC Innovations* in 2017. Three core joint initiatives are under development contributing to keep the environment under review and toward achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. The first concerns the support *ADEC* will provide to the Data and Information Unit in the Science Division in strengthening data and indicator frameworks for monitoring and reporting on the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda by developing a corporate sustainability platform. Under the UN Environment Programme's guidance, this platform will bring together Corporate Sustainability Reports from global, regional and national platforms into a common platform and allow simple reporting options for companies, including small and medium enterprises.
- 3.22. Another important activity of the partnership with ADEC Innovations refers to supporting developing countries in their efforts to collect environmental data and use them for reporting purposes through the implementation of the Indicator Reporting Information System (IRIS) platform. This partnership with the Country Outreach, Technology & Innovations Branch, should:
- a) Help build capacity for the Member States for reporting, research, programme development and policymaking;
- b) Provide real-time access to the recent environmental information on a global, regional, and country level;
- c) Allow sharing of best practices and gauge the level of achievement based on the UN Environment Programme's set criteria through country-to-country benchmarking.
- 3.23. The *GEO for Business*, a derivative product of the UN Environment Programme flagship assessment: *The Global Environment Outlook*. The *GEO for Business* will show how "Business as Usual" practices are unsustainable and a new relationship with Nature through practice and policy is imperative for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda, and Sustainability 2050.
- 3.24. The *GEO for Business* aims to deliver a strong message that global partnership (SDG-17) is a means of implementation in the achievement of identified New Methods, Agenda 2030, and Sustainability 2050. *GEO for Business* endeavours to provide a clear pathway ahead for the private sector to take part in the call for achieving a "healthy people, healthy planet" by conducting market analysis (factors shaping the industry) and identifying market potential (in terms of investment and business potential), including related social impacts.

3.25. In order to develop methodologies and reporting mechanisms for the SDG indicators, the UN Environment Programme works through the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on the SDG indicators (IAEG-SDG). The IAEG-SDG includes observer representatives from a broad range of private sector entities that are interested in supporting the achievement of the SDGs. Additionally, The UN Environment Programme has established several expert groups for specific SDG indicators which are responsible for supporting the development of SDG indicator methodologies. A few of these bodies which have particularly high private sector representation include the expert groups for the following: SDG indicator 12.6.1 on corporate sustainability reporting; SDG indicator 12.4.2 and 12.5.1 on hazardous waste and recycling; SDG indicator 14.1.1 on coastal eutrophication and marine litter and SDG indicator 17.7.1 on investment in environmentally sound technology.

# 4. Private Sector engagement in the work of the UN Environment Programme's Policy-Making Organs

- 4.1. The 2019 UN Environment Assembly provided a platform for Governments, private sector and civil society to catalyse and build the policies, partnerships and a culture of innovation that will support the solutions and systemic change needed for sustainability to thrive. At the Assembly, the UN Environment Programme continued to engage the private sector through multiple events, including the 2019 Sustainable Innovation Expo.
- 4.2. The Expo is the Assembly's primary platform for engaging both public and private sectors around the latest solutions in innovation and technology to meet our global environmental challenges. With its focus on *Eco-Innovation and Sustainable Financing*, all the 2019 Expo's activities were mapped to support the resolutions and political outcomes of the UN Environment Assembly.
- 4.3. In addition to the Expo, engagement with the private sector during the Assembly also included participation in other events such as the *Leaders' Breakfast*; *the Science-Policy and Business Forum*; three *Leadership Dialogues* and *the Multi-stakeholder Dialogue*. More specifically, the following events were organized on the margins of 2019 UN Environment Assembly:
- The 2019 Sustainable Innovation Expo hosted nine interactive panel discussions, three Pop-up Chats and an exhibit space for 46 businesses with cutting-edge solutions. More than 500 participants from the private sector participated in activities around the Assembly focusing on a wealth of topics covering big data, law and legal empowerment, plastic pollution management, sports and electronic gaming, sustainable financing, sustainable food systems, sustainable fashion and procurement and faith-based initiatives.
- The *Science-Policy and Business Forum* which brought together scientists, senior policymakers and business leaders to identity and promote opportunities to grow green technology markets driven by advances in science and technology. The *Forum* aimed to strengthen the wider interface among science, policy, business and society by building

consensus around key issues and by tearing down traditional barriers between these sectors.

- Leaders' Breakfast was organized as part of the implementation of the partnership between the UN Environment Programme and the UN Global Compact in collaboration with the Kenyan and Russian UN Global Compact networks. The Breakfast roundtable, entitled Business Contribution to Innovative Solutions of Environmental Challenges in the context of SDGs: sharing experience and exploring new opportunities, brought together members of the UN Global Compact networks in order to highlight the role of the UN networks for engaging businesses in the processes of sustainable development and in identifying innovative solutions to our global environmental challenges.
- The global *Think Beyond, Live Within* campaign fostered excitement for the Assembly and its theme. Powerful storytelling, engaging multimedia content, and effective journalist engagement harnessed the power of audiences worldwide, both online and offline. #SolveDifferent was mentioned 53,000 times and engaged 124,000 people from Governments, civil society, private sector and citizens.
- The Business and Industry Major Group organized the *Global Business Alliance for the Environment High Level Dinner* around the overarching theme of the Assembly, Innovative Solutions for Environmental Challenges and Sustainable Consumption and Production.
- Three Leadership Dialogues that brought together Heads of State, Ministers of
  Environment, and leaders of private sector and civil society to discuss stakeholder issues
  of concern and share solutions relating to the Assembly's theme, including on sustainable
  food systems, life cycle approaches and sustainable consumption and production.
- The *Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue* which built upon the *Leadership Dialogues*, engaged governments and public sector, and incorporated the views of Major Groups and Stakeholders and the private sector, providing them the opportunity to present and discuss innovative solutions, from societal to technological change, to achieve more sustainable consumption patterns that contribute to more sustainable living.
- The *Global Partnership on Marine Litter/Clean Seas* tent held numerous activities and panel discussions linked to the theme of the Assembly. The sessions included the participation and presentations from private sector entities.
- The *Global Major Groups and Stakeholder Forum* that brought together all the nine Major Groups, including Business and Industry to prepare their input into the Assembly and also to support the governmental decision-making process.
- The *Faith and SDGs Tent* held multiple interactive and inspiring events in which people shared faith-based experiences on how the environment is an integral part of different

faiths and how issues ranging from climate change to sustainable lifestyles impact us all. The events included opportunities for coordinated interventions by religious and spiritual leaders to hold governments and private sector companies accountable to environmental laws, goals and international commitments.

- The *SDG Innovation Talks* which featured high-energy and dynamic speakers, including CEOs, athletes, religious leaders and more. Speakers discussed a variety of topics related to the theme of the Assembly and the 17 Sustainable Development Goals.
- The *Green Tent* provided a rich and vibrant platform for exchanges, workshops and side events mainly organised by civil society for all stakeholders including government and the private sector. For example, the business and industry major group brought a panel together representing a variety of stakeholders on a side event entitled: Doing More and Better with Less Best Practices for Sustainable Production and Consumption in a Resource Constrained Environment. The objective of the roundtable discussion was to bring together key stakeholders from the private and public sector to share best practices and lessons learned on the ways in which businesses are integrating sustainable consumption and production into their core business strategies and exchange views on the policy frameworks and incentives needed to facilitate the transition.
- Fourteen *Side Events*, which were hosted by the Secretariat of the UN Environment Programme, were organized with the objective to share experiences, find solutions and inspire partnerships towards innovative solutions on environmental challenges and sustainable consumption and production. These Events were organised by Member States, UN entities, representatives from the Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs), accredited major groups and stakeholders and UN Environment Programme Regional Offices and Divisions and included the participation of multiple stakeholders, including the private sector.
- The *Cities Summit* worked to identify key messages on innovation for sustainable consumption and production in cities and to kickstart a process to develop partnerships and commitments from governments, civil society and the private sector on integrated urban infrastructure ahead of the UN Secretary General's Climate Summit in September.
- The Launch of the UN Alliance for Sustainable Fashion included an introduction to the Alliance, media roundtable and fashion "Pop-up Chats" illustrating principles of sustainable fashion. Through the Alliance, the UN commits to changing the path of fashion, reducing its negative environmental and social impacts; and turning fashion into a driver of the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.
- Other activities organized prior to the Assembly included a Luncheon on Business Opportunities for Women in a Changing Energy Value Chain in Africa (19 September 2018, Nairobi, Kenya) held during the ministerial segment of the Seventh Special Session, under the auspices of the African Women Energy Entrepreneurs Framework

(AWEEF); a Leaders' Breakfast on Mainstreaming Innovative Solutions in Key Economic Sectors, organized in partnership with the UN Biodiversity Conference (15 November 2018, Sharm El Sheik, Egypt) and a Leaders' Luncheon during the Ministerial Conference of the Partnership for Action on Green Economy (10 January 2019, Cape Town, South Africa).

# 5. UN Environment Programme Corporate Strategy on Private Sector Engagement and Partnerships Policy

- 5.1. To support the effective implementation of its Programme of Work, the UN Environment Programme is developing a five-year private sector engagement strategy to enable the Programme to identify and foster effective partnerships with key private sector entities and other stakeholders, while identifying and managing potential associated risks. The strategy will also focus on the role the Programme can play in partnering with private sector and other stakeholders to scale up and accelerate the momentum for market change and transformation.
- 5.2. Furthermore, the strategy will help promote awareness and guide the development of reaching out to the highest corporate levels, by assisting the Programme with a framework of principles, models of collaboration and a monitoring and evaluation modalities for effective dialogue and engagement with corporate leaders focusing on minimizing any negative environmental impact. It also aims to expand the donor base and generate support for the UN Environment Programme from non-traditional sources, such as the private sector.
- 5.3. To support the initial steps of this important initiative, the UN Environment Programme has contracted a highly qualified international consultancy firm, Gaia Consulting Oy (https://www.gaia.fi/). The firm is based in Finland and was chosen following a competitive UN procurement process.
- 5.4. Given the importance of this process, the UN Environment Programme has reached out to a select group of peer agencies, leading experts who hold senior positions in UN agencies, international organizations representing business and industry and stakeholders to support the development of the strategy. A regionally balanced group of Permanent Representatives has also been approached to provide inputs to the process. The outcomes of this process will be presented to the Committee in the months of September-October once approved by the UN Environment Programme's Senior Management Team.

# 6. Priorities in 2019 for Private Sector Engagement

- Increasing transparency and simplifying processes for creating public-private partnership agreements.
- Improving risk management for the organization in partnership with the UN Global Compact and in accordance with UN rules and regulations.

- Broadening the partnership base in the regions, including areas where there has been limited engagement (such as Africa, Latin American and the Caribbean, and West Asia regions).
- Scaling up partnerships in support of the implementation of the Environment Assembly's mandates (pollution, clean seas, environmental education, and extractive industry, among others).
- Promote the engagement of the private sector in support of the theme of future UN
   Environment Assemblies and support the private sector in working towards the
   implementation of UN Environment Assembly resolutions.

### 7. Suggested recommendations to the Committee of Permanent Representatives

7.1. It is recommended that the Secretariat continues to inform on an annual basis the Committee of Permanent Representatives on progress in the engagement with the private sector.

# Annex: Agreements signed in 2017 - 2019 with the Private Sector as of May 2019

	Partner(s)	UN Environment Lead & Division	Duration of Agreement(s)	Themes and Areas of Cooperation	Sub- Programme of Work related to Agreement	Progress on Implementation of Agreement(s)	Achievements, Including Success Stories	Financial Implications /Transfer of Funds
1.	Argor-Heraeus SA	Ludovic Bernaudat, Economy Division	(16.04.2018 – 31.12.2020)	GOLD programme in Mongolia and the Philippines	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	In progress	Argor is an active partner of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) GOLD programme and they have committed to work with three participating countries to offtake the mercury-free gold which will be produced through the programme. Argor also provided contacts of gold consumers (i.e. the jewellery industry) who are now being approached for a more active participation in the Programme.	None
2.	Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators	Petter Malvik, Communications Division	(17.04.2018 – 17.04.2020)	Marine pollution	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	In progress	Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators has already done much to raise awareness around Clean Seas and marine litter, including organizing several clean-ups on Svalbard.	None

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3.	Banco de Ahorro y Crédito ADOPEM, S.A.	Leo Heileman, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(30.10.2018 – 30.10.2020)	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation		Implementation on track. The Micro Finance Institution has been assessed and is deciding whether to continue to microfinance the ecosystem-based adaption pilot roll-out	Likely to request going to the pilot roll-out phase with an improved assessment methodology.	None None

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4.	Banco de Fomento Agropecuario	Gustavo Manez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(11.10.2018 – 11.10.2020)	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation		Implementation on track. Financial Institutions have been assessed and have decided to continue to microfinance for the ecosystem-based adaption pilot roll-out	One of six financial institutions signed on for microfinancing for the ecosystem-based adaption pilot roll-out.  Improved assessment and implementation methodology.	None None

5. Beijing Didi Infinity Technology and Development Co.,Ltd.  Daniel Cooney, Communication Division  Division  Daniel Cooney, Communication Division  Agreement  Air Pollution and Breathe Life  Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality  Not	Not yet started.	Not yet started.	None

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6.	Beijing Mobike Technology Co. Ltd	Rob de Jong, Economy Division	(11.09.2017 – 11.09.2019)	Non-Motorized Transport / Shared Mobility		The bike sharing in the UN Compound is extremely successful and popular with staff and visitors.  Mobike representatives come for maintenance purposes.	Since 2018 to present, especially during UNEA-4, there are a number of government representatives, students and public visitors visiting the UN compound and have been briefed on the bikesharing system.	None None

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7.	Beijing Weimeng Technology Co., Ltd.	Communication Division	(16.05.2017 – 16.05.2019)	Plastic pollution, support across subprogrammes		Agreement(s)  This partner has provided support for our Beat Plastic Pollution campaign during World Environment Day and Young Champions of the Earth.  The partner also created a China chapter for the Young Champions of the Earth.	The partner's platform also awarded our Wild For Life campaign as one of the top 10 most influential advocacy campaigns in China for 2016.	Positive contribution to the UN Environment Programme available in donor agreement.

S.A. DE C.V.  Latin America and the Caribbean Office  Caribbean Of		Partner(s)	UN Environment Lead & Division	Duration of Agreement(s)	Themes and Areas of Cooperation	Sub- Programme of Work related to Agreement	Progress on Implementation of Agreement(s)	Achievements, Including Success Stories	Financial Implications /Transfer of Funds
the UN Environment Programme have jointly participated in international events related to electric mobility, such as the Latam Mobility Summit in Mexico. BMW has also contributed with international experts in events organized by the UN Environment Programme, such as the Latin American Legislation Workshop on Electric Mobility, which took place in Buenos Aires, Argentina on 23 May 2019.	8.		Latin America and the	(7.08.2018 – 7.08.2020)		Sub-programme 1 - Climate		a zero-cost leasing for six months to the UN Environment Programme of an electric vehicle (BMW i3s) with its respective charging unit. There is a possibility to extend the leasing. In addition, BMW and the UN Environment Programme have jointly participated in international events related to electric mobility, such as the Latam Mobility Summit in Mexico. BMW has also contributed with international experts in events organized by the UN Environment Programme, such as the Latin American Legislation Workshop on Electric Mobility, which took place in Buenos Aires,	None

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9.	BNP Paribas SA	Ivo Mulder, Ecosystems Division	(23.10.2017 – 23.10.2019)	Bring long-term finance to projects and companies that stimulate green growth and improve rural livelihoods with significant social and environmental impact in Indonesia.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change; Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems; Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	The UN Environment Programme's work with BNP Paribas SA is progressing well on several fronts. In Indonesia through the 'Tropical Landscape Financing Facility', and in India through the 'Sustainable India Finance Facility'.  They are also identifying projects in various parts of the world (such as Brazil and Côte d'Ivoire).  A senior representative of BNP Paribas SA has attended the UN Environment Programme/UN Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation conference in October 2018 in Cote d'Ivoire.	No success stories shared.	None

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10.	Build Your Dreams (BYD)	Rob de Jong, Economy Division	(07.08.2017 – 07.08.2019)	Electric mobility	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change; Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Actively working with Build Your Dreams on electric buses.	The UN Environment Programme will engage further with the partner when they expand to other regions and when we will start implementing a wider set of electric mobility projects at country and city level.	None
11.	Caja Rural de Ahorro y Crédito Los Andes S.A.	Gustavo Manez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(03.10.2018 – 03.10.2020)	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Implementation on track. The Microfinance Institution has been assessed and is deciding whether to continue to do Microfinance for the ecosystem-based adaption pilot roll-out	Likely to request going to the pilot roll-out phase.  There is an improved assessment methodology	None
12.	Cataratas Group	Fernanda Altoé Daltro, Brazil Office	(20.07.2017 – 21.07.2019)  (Until the end of May 2019, the Brazil Office will send a message informing the partner about the expiration of the agreement, asking if there is interest in continuing the partnership).	Green Passport; Clean Seas, World Environment Day (WED	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems; Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	The partnership promoted joint events and campaigns related to sustainable tourism and the Clean Seas campaign until June 2018 but has no plans after that.	Cataratas Group hosted World Environment Day celebrations at AquaRio in 2017 and 2018, promoting debates around marine plastic pollution. In 2018, the Group implemented restrictions to disposable plastics in its facilities and parks.	None

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3. China Energy Conservation and Environmental Protection Group	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	(11.09.2017 – 11.09.2019)	Feasibility studies and planning for modern district energy systems in Chinese cities	Sub-Programme 1 - Climate Change	National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) of the Republic of China provided a letter to the UN Environment Programme to officially designate the China Energy Conservation and Environmental Protection Group (CECEP) to undertake work on the District Energy in Cities Initiative in China.	Since the Memorandum of Understanding was signed, we have been working closely with them to engage cities in China on the Cities Initiative. Several cities have expressed interest and sent letters of commitment. A joint website has been created; training materials have been translated into Chinese; a joint training workshop has been held together with CECEP and NDRC; and with the China Energy Conservation and Environmental Protection Group.	

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14.	Coca-Cola Company	Barbara Hendrie, North America Office	(09.04.2018 – 09.04.2020)	Plastic pollution	Sub-Programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste, and Air Quality; Sub-Programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Work is underway to clearly define the Joint Action Plan as well as the governance arrangements for the partnership.	We have agreed that our partnership will be focused initially on reducing plastic waste in Thailand, Malaysia and Kenya, with expansion possible, including to the global level depending on our experiences in the first year.	None
15.	Cooperative Rabobank U.A., Nederlandse Financierings – Maatschappij voor Ontwikkelingslan den N.V. ("FMO"), and IDH Sustainable Trade Initiative	Ivo Mulder, Ecosystems Division	(19.07.2018 – 19.07.2020)	Jointly stimulate best practices, stabilizing agriculture's footprint and restoring quality of land use for agriculture and forestry. The FMO shares knowledge and expertise on blended finance; IDH provides Technical Assistance and expertise on fund management.	Sub-Programme 1 - Climate Change; Sub-Programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	The fund to turn this partnership operational – called Agri3 Fund – was launched on 24 October 2018 in Singapore.  The representative from the UN Environment Programme will be Assistant Secretary General Satya S. Tripathi.	Not yet available.	-
16.	Covestro Deutschland AG	Daniel Cooney, Communication Division	(07.02.2017 – 31.12.2019)	Young Champions of the Earth	All Sub- Programmes (cross-cutting and corporate)	Of the EUR3 million (US\$3 million) donor commitment, EUR 2 million (US\$2 million) has been received so far.	Successfully implemented years 1 & 2 of the programme.  For more information, see: https://web.unep.org/youngchampions/	Positive contribution to the UN Environment Programme available in donor agreement.

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17.	Crezcamos S.A.	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(04.09.2018 – 04.09.2020)	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation		Implementation on track. Knowledge and information-sharing continues.	Nearly US\$200,000 disbursed in micro lending towards ecosystem-based adaption.	None

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18.	Development Initiatives Poverty Research Limited	Mohamed Atani, Africa Office	(29.11.2018 – 29.11.2020)	-Evaluations of advocacy, strategy and development interventions  - Support implementation of in-country research and projects	Sub-programme 2 - Resilience to Disasters and Conflict; Sub-programme 4 - Environmental Governance	Discussions ongoing to provide data on the impact of livelihoods due to unsustainable charcoal use in Somalia	Not yet available	None

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19.	Discovery Communications, LLC	Lisa Rolls, Communication Division	(19.09.2017 – 19.09.2019)	Wildlife trade, plus other organizational priorities	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	Discovery and the UN Environment Programme are engaged in a fruitful partnership (as part of the Wild for Life Campaign) that has included a variety of activities in New York, Hanoi and Johannesburg to promote Wild for Life and the UN Environment Programme's biodiversity work. Discovery promotes all of our campaigns across their global social media platforms, significantly expanding our outreach and audience. Discovery, as a content provider and distribution channel, will be a key partner in building the Wild for Life 2.0.	Collaboration at CITES CoP2016 on a Wild for Life booth, which was the most well attended and interactive booth. Discovery and the UN Environment Programme hosted a Wild for Life event at the US Embassy in Johannesburg (CITES CoP) and in Hanoi (Hanoi Conference on Wildlife Crime) to launch the wildlife crime Public Service Announcement and encourage participants to join Wild for Life. The partners jointly hosted a high-level stakeholder dialogue on the status of conservation and announce the designation of Ben Fogle as the UN Environment Programme Patron of Wilderness during the General Assembly in 2017. Collaboration on the Wild for Life Big Challenge and Discovery sponsored the Tiger Team Challenge.	None

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20.	Ethiopian Airlines	Gudeta Selamawit, Africa Office	(20.03.2018 – 20.03.2020)	Operationalization of the 'Plant one tree for every passenger flown' project within the UN Environment Programme ongoing REDD+ programme in Ethiopia, supporting the greening of Ethiopian Airline's business and raising environmental awareness.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	With regards to the partnership with Ethiopian Airlines, the UN Environment Programme/Africa Office has prepared an operationalization matrix with the planned activities. The aim is to use a phased-in approach, capturing any low-hanging fruit.  The activities table will be shared with Ethiopian Airlines Management through a letter for feedback. It is intended to call for a joint working session between the UN Environment Programme's relevant Divisions/Offices with Ethiopian Airlines, hopefully before the end of October.	Partnership under review.	None

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21.	Fundacion de la Mujer	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and Caribbean Office	(27.11.2018 – 27.11.2020)	Microfinance for ecosystem-based adaptation		Implementation on track. Financial Institution has been assessed and has decided to continue to MEbA pilot roll-out	One of six financial institutions who signed on to the MEbA pilot roll-out. Support from BNP Paribas in co-financing technical assistance.  Improved assessment and implementation methodology	None

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22.	Formula E Operations Limited	Daniel Cooney, Communication Division	(06.04.2017 – 06.04.2019)  Extension of Agreement under discussion.	Air pollution and electric mobility	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency Sub-programme 7 - Environment under Review	We launched a global partnership with Formula E to improve inner-city air quality – continuing to boost the profile of alternative energy solutions and the increased uptake of electric vehicles.  We have organized a series of events at the Formula E races, as well as communication campaigns to raise awareness of the benefits of electric vehicles among younger generations and motorsport fans globally.  We are exploring a donor agreement to be signed this year and the negotiations are well under way.	Lucas di Grassi, Brazilian race car driver, joined us this year as the UN Environment Programme Clean Air Advocate to help us reach future consumers of electric cars, and challenge major cities and governments to take act to tackle pollution.  At Season 5 of Formula E, we have launched several activities including, a new Public Service Announcement, new advocates to speak about different pollution issues, a new fanbased event at the races in Mexico, Paris, Berlin & New York, and to improve the sustainability of the races — starting by making them singleuse plastic free and reducing waste streams.	None
23.	France Medias Monde	Mohamed Atani, Africa Office	(06.06.2018 – 06.06.2020)	Partnership on brand visibility and capacity building for journalists.	Communication efforts relate to all Sub- programmes	France 24 channel launched in Africa and the UN Environment Programme is in advanced discussions on concrete collaborations.	Not yet available	None
24.	Global Climate Partnership fund	Mark Radka, Economy Division	(27.06.2017 – 31.03.2022)	Energy efficiency country assessments and baselines	Sub-Programme 1 - Climate Change	Collaboration is well underway and will shift to the financing of energy efficiency measures.	Country baselines covering lighting and appliances were developed for 12 countries.	Positive contribution to the UN Environment Programme available in donor agreement.

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25.	Google Inc.	Stuart Crane, Ecosystems Division	(27.06.2018 – 27.06.2020)	Earth observation environmental data for supporting SDG monitoring and reporting	Sub-Programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems; Sub-Programme 7 - Environment under Review	The partnership was officially launched during the High-Level Political Forum in New York on 16 July 2018.  Since the launch, progress has been made towards developing and launching the end-user tool to provide freshwater data to all users.	The end-user tool (an interface to show and download freshwater data) will be ready for the World Data Forum in Dubai in October 2018.	None

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26.	Handelens Miljøfond		(15.08.2018 – 15.08.2020)	Marine litter, environmental policy, financing	Work related to		Not yet available.	None None

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27.	Honeywell International Middle East	Khaled Klaly/ Sami Dimassi, West Asia Office	(01.03.2017 – 01.03.2019)	Support the coherent implementation of the environmental dimensions of sustainable development, specifically SDG 6 and 13.  Programmes launched for raising awareness of the private sector on Sustainable Development Goals 7 and 13.  Enhance the use of the available communication means (conventional and electronic including social media) to raise awareness and promote sustainable developments programmes with respect to Goals 7 and 13.  Promotion of the concepts and best practices of sustainable production and consumption, as related to Goals 7 and 13.	Sub-Programme 1 - Climate Change;  Sub-Programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality;  Sub-Programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	The partnership was officially launched with a press release in Dubai on 1 March 2018.	No major achievements so far except for knowledge-sharing sessions on recent technological advancements in the foam sector.  The counterpart is open to actively cooperate, and respective colleagues have been called upon to suggest areas for collaboration.	None

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28.	Kenya Airways Limited	Lisa Rolls, Communication Division	(24.01.2017 – 24.01.2019)	Illegal Trade in Wildlife, plastic pollution	Sub-programme 1 - Climate change; Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	The Ecosystems Project on Tackling the Illegal Trade in Wildlife - but potential for broader engagement around greening transport and operations; and a broader campaign messaging. As part of its commitment to tackling wildlife crime, Kenya Airways (KQ) was one of the first signatories to the Wildlife Trafficking Transport Taskforce. KQ has run the Wild for Life campaign for the last two years on its in-flight entertainment system, reaching tens of thousands of passengers. It has undertaken two employee workshops with the UN Environment Programme and partners including USAID and Freeland, to build capacity and education on how to report and catch wildlife criminals. It will launch the Wild for Life Kids Pack and film series this fall on all KA flights.	We are now in the process of identifying a launch event for the Kids Pack and film series that would include both heads of organizations.  Kenya Airways is a valuable partner for dissemination of messaging in the short term and longer term for greening business practices. Furthermore, transport companies play a key role in tackling wildlife trafficking through both passenger and handling touch points and cargo operations.  There is huge potential to expand this relationship through its international SKYTEAM partner network, which includes 19 airlines.  Kids pack assets: https://bit.ly/2J3lgkH  Film series: https://bit.ly/2OxSnTF	None

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29.	KPMG Advisory Services Limited	Jessica Troni, Ecosystems Division	(25.05.2018 – 25.05.2020)	Adaptation technology acceleration.	Sub-programme 1- Climate Change	Preparing a study on the design features of the fund.	Partnership under review	None
30.	KT Corporation	Saiful Ridwan, Corporate Services Division	(18-12-2018 – 18-12-2020)	Adoption of emerging technologies such as big data, internet of things (IoT), and artificial intelligence for the environmental sector.	Sub-Programme 7- Environment Under Review	Currently in discussion for an agreement to use KT's Air Map Korea technology for air quality monitoring; and for the UN Environment Programme to have access to KT's big data infrastructure.	Newly signed Memorandum of Understanding.	None

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31.	Laboratoires de biologie végétale Yves Rocher	Sonia Gueorguiev, Science Division	(19.12.2018 – 31.12.2019)	Non-earmarked contribution to the IPBES trust fund, that will contribute, for the year 2019, to finance uptake events on the Global Assessment, co-authors' meetings and capacity-building meetings.	N/A N/A	IPBES, known as the 'IPCC of Biodiversity', does not have field projects to finance. Only scientific assessments and capacity-building activities of the Platform are financed.	A small financial contribution given without any incentive in return, with the promise of the partner to give more in the future.	Positive contribution to the UN Environment Programme available in donor agreement.

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32.	Foundation	Communication Division	(29.08.2018 – 29.08.2020)	Climate Change	Communication Efforts relate to all Sub- programmes	The UN Environment Programme is working with the Foundation to identify projects in which people have a positive impact on the environment.  The Foundation's 2019 calendar featured a number of the UN Environment Programme projects that met the selected criteria.	The 2019 calendar gave the UN Environment Programme projects increased visibility to broader audiences.	None
33.	Litterati LLC	Catherine Beltrandi, Communication Division	(26.07.2018 – 26.07.2019)	Plastic Pollution	Communication efforts relate to all Sub-programmes, but more specifically: Sub-programme 5-Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Development of an interactive app to identify most common found litter and brands.  Partnership to support World Environment Day and the Clean Seas Campaign.	15,500 pieces logged in a week with good media coverage.	None

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34.	Majid Al Futtaim Holding (L.L.C)	Abdelmenam Mohamed/ Sami Dimassi, West Asia Office	(01.03.2018 – 01.03.2020)	Resource efficiency and sustainable development, including the areas of energy efficiency, green buildings and construction, food waste and more.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	The partnership is actively ongoing, promoting joint events and campaigns related to sustainable consumption, green buildings and other awareness campaigns	There were successful joint World Environment Day celebrations in Bahrain. There has been an ongoing projection of the <i>Beat-Plastic-Pollution</i> video before every movie in all IMax and Cinnco movie theaters in Bahrain since June 2018.	None
35.	Media Monde	Roy Kanai/ Mohamed Atani, Africa Office	(02.03.2018 – 02.03.2020)	Development of audio-visual products and digital publishing.	Sub-programme 7 - Environment Under Review	Partnership under review	Partnership under review	None

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36.	MeshMinds PTE. LTD.	Imae Ann, Asia and Pacific Office	(17.08.2018 – 17.08.2020)	Utilizing creative and innovative technologies to promote action towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, with focus on the environmental dimensions of the Sustainable Development Goals.	All Sub-programmes	The partnership is ongoing and includes collaboration for the Global Landscapes Forum (14 May 2019, Kyoto) by providing participants with an immersive experience highlighting the importance of taking care of our forests.  We are also working with them in creating an augmented reality as part of the global social activation for World Environment Day 2019.	Over 20 immersive artworks have been made available using creative technology with the majority focused on Goals 11 to 15. We have used some of these artworks in four different regional events, including the third Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific held in Singapore in January 2019.  The exhibitions offered participants a virtual and augmented reality experience that sparked conversations and gave a sense on how our activities on land greatly affect our oceans and its ecosystem.  Increased visibility of the UN Environment Programme's brand to broader audiences, including media and social media mileage.	None

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37.	Meu Copo Eco Comergiacio	Fernanda Daltro, Communication Division	(07.12.2018 – 07.12.2020)	Clean Seas; Plastics; Waste	Sub-programme 3 - Healthy and Productive Ecosystems;  Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste, and Air Quality;  Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	Meu Copo Eco is an innovative solution to reduce single-use plastic cups.  The partnership is actively ongoing, the company supports Clean Seas Brazil events, disseminates plastic related content and is developing, with the UN Environment Programme a technical assistance and sustainable events guide.	The company developed a Clean Seas branded cup to disseminate the campaign in events all over Brazil.  During Volvo Ocean Race stopover in Itajaí, 500k plastic cups were avoided due to the use of Meu Copo Eco during the 20 days of the event.	None

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8. Mirova Capital Limited	Sofie Bruun, Ecosystems Division	(08.02.2019 – 08.02.2021)	Under this partnership, Mirova acts as the investment advisor for the vehicle set up to implement the AGRI3Fund and to strengthen the environmental and social (E&S) safeguards and solid monitoring and evaluation (M&E) tool of the AGRI3 Fund.  The partnership also works on identifying and facilitating development of projects that contribute to the Sustainable Blue Economy development.	Sub-programme 1- Climate Change; Sub-programme 3- Healthy and Productive Ecosystems; Sub-programme 5- Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Mirova is the Investment Advisor of the AGRI3 Fund and in that capacity, the UN Environment Programme is working closely with them.	Newly signed Memorandum of Understanding	None
9. New Delhi Television Limited (NDTV)	Madhur Das, Asia and Pacific Office	(13.12.2017- 12.12.2019)	Promote environmental issues in India through their network	Sub-programme 4- Environmental Governance	NDTV covered <i>Beat Plastic Pollution</i> for World Environmental Day 2018.	NDTV telecasted an independent series on the government Programme "Swachh Banega India" for World Environment Day 2018.	None

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40.	Nippon Television Network Corporation (Nippon TV)	Laura Fuller, North America Office	(12.03.2018 – 12.03.2020)	The cooperation with Nippon TV follows the priority programmes for the North America Regional Office, including: marine debris, food waste, circular economy and climate action.	Sub-Programme 1 - Climate Change; Sub-Programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste, and Air Quality; Sub-Programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	The partnership was officially launched with a press release and event in Japan on 1 June 2018, in the lead up to World Environment Day 2018.  Four Public Service Announcements have been developed (marine debris, air quality, food waste, recycling) and will appear throughout various media outlets to target a "teen" audience (8-12 years old).	The partnership was highlighted during the UN General Assembly/Climate Week in New York City beginning 23 September 2018.  It was featured at the Social Good Summit and at the SDG Media Zone.	None

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41.	NOFIMA AS through its Centre of the Ocean and the Arctic	Sofie Bruun, Ecosystem Division	(29.10.2018 – 29.10.2020)	Developing knowledge-based foresight analyses; Using sustainable solutions for blue growth in the Arctic; cooperating and exchanging knowledge on issues related to marine pollution, in particular plastics; collaborating in the China Council for the International Cooperation on Environment and Development (CCICED) Special Policy Study on Oceans.	Sub-programme 3- Healthy and productive ecosystems; Sub-programme 5- Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Newly signed Memorandum of Understanding	Newly signed Memorandum of Understanding	None
42.	OGCI Climate Investments LLP	Manfredi Caltagirone, Economy Division	(19.06.2017 – 19.06.2021)	Reduction of methane emissions from oil and gas operations	Sub-Programme 1 - Climate Change; Sub-Programme 7- Environment Under Review	Scientific studies that quantify methane emissions are contributing to a better understanding of where emissions of this potent Greenhouse Gas occur and what can be done to reduce them.	Peer-reviewed papers published in scientific journals are contributing to greater knowledge about methane emissions.	Positive contribution to the UN Environment Programme available in donor agreement.

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4	3. One 97 Communications Limited ("PayTm")	Madhur Das, Asia and Pacific Office	(20.02.2018 – 20.02.2020)	Communication campaigns on air and plastic pollution by uploading and promoting them on the Paytm App.  Launching and running outreach campaigns, in the run up to World Environment Day 2018 in India on the theme "Beat Plastic Pollution".	Sub-programme 6- Resource Efficiency;  Sub-programme 5- Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Launched extensive campaign on their App for Beat Plastic Pollution for World Environment Day 2018.  Launched a Donation Page on their App and a sustainability shelf on their online Mall.	Paytm collected donations on their App for the UN Environment Programme, but since it could not be accepted, they were donated directly to the Clean Air Asia Agency towards their air pollution programme.  Extensive promotion of World Environment Day on App.  125 Million Paytm users were inspired by the World Environment Day 2018 Campaign.  The UN Environment Programme and Paytm are launching a new campaign on Beat Air Pollution for World Environment Day 2019.	None

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44.	Petroleum Development Oman LLC	Abdelmenam Mohamed, West Asia Office	(12.09.2018 – 31.12.2021)	Resource efficiency and circular economy; Waste management; and Groundwater monitoring and modelling.	Agreement Sub-Programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste, and Air Quality; Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency; Sub-programme 7 - Environment Under Review	Donor agreement in advanced stage to cover capacity building activities until the end of 2019.	Preparatory phase finalized to agree on joint activities which resulted in identifying three capacity gaps (i.e. resource efficiency and circular economy, waste management & groundwater monitoring and modelling)	None

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45.	Promotora Ambiental SAB de CV Mexico	Dolores Barrientos, Mexico Office	(03.12.2018 – 03.12.2020)	Implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals;  Environmental education, sustainable production and consumption, green economy, blue economy and circular economy;  Climate change agenda to support projects related to the conservation of natural capital.	Sub-programmes 1-Climate Change; Sub-programme 3-Healthy and Productive Ecosystems Sub-programme 4- Environmental Governance Sub-programme 6- Resource Efficiency	Currently, there have been three meetings with the Ministry of Tourism, including international organizations like GIZ, UN Agencies and, the private sector on the National Strategy on Sustainable Tourism.  Additionally, agreement for seven presentations of the International Film Festival on the Environment will take place in different states. We expect, at least five more in the framework of the World Environment Day celebrations.	Thanks to this collaboration, we have the opportunity to offer the 25th International Film Festival on the Environment at national level.  With the support of Promotora Ambiental, we have provided support and technical assistance to promote the dialogues with the Ministry of Tourism towards the National Strategy on Sustainable Tourism.	None
46.	Red Moon Music	Catherine Beltrandi, Communication Division	(29.11.2017 – 29.11.2019)	Sustainable lifestyles	Communication efforts relate to all Sub-programmes	Inspire positive social and environmental change through storytelling and creative communications. Production of a live music show entitled "NOÉ, La Force de Vivre".	Production under way. The director has supported World Environment Day and the plastic challenge.	None

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47.	Responsible Finance & Investment (RFI) Foundation	Iyad Abumoghli, Regional Presence Office	(17.05.2018 – 31.12.2018) Expired	Financing for sustainable development		Consideration to renew the partnership exists as an annual mechanism to co host meetings.	The partnership has achieved its expected objectives and the outcome and has held a global round table on Faith-based investment. Through the partnership, new partners have been identified.	Expenditure from the UN Environment Programme available in Small Scale Funding Agreement.

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48.	Runtastic	Mattias Jurek/ Lisa Rolls, Europe Office	(11.07.2018 – 11.07.2020)	Run Wild campaign, WildforLife2.0	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change; Sub-programme 3-Healthy and Productive Ecosystems	A Memorandum of Understanding with Runtastic has been concluded.	A joint campaign and "Run Wild" concept has been developed that should also strongly link to Wild for Life (WildforLife 2.0) and relevant projects such as "Vanishing Treasures." Runtastic offers the possibility to reach out to a wide public (approx. 280 million downloads of the app) linking sports/athletes with wildlife issues. Currently, roles and responsibilities are being discussed and agreed upon. Runtastic will provide internal resources for further developing the campaign. A short teaser for Run Wild has been promoted via the UN Environment Programme channels on International Wildlife Life Day	None

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49.	Russian Fairs Limited Liability Company	Vladimir Moshkalo, Europe Office	(23.05.2018 – 23.05.2020)	Corporate Social Responsibility; Sustainable Consumption and Production; Waste management; Introduction of Environmental Standards ISO 14000; Annual Voluntary Environmental Reporting.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	After signing of the Memorandum of Understanding, we developed a Roadmap for joint activities. Activities will be started after approval of the Russian government on the plan for construction of the fair grounds in all 85 subjects of the Russian Federation. However, little progress has been made.	Terms of Reference for the position of Environmental and Compliance officer to be enlisted by the company has been developed and adopted.  A number of interviews with potential candidates have been taken.	

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50.	Safaricom	Communication Division/ Cyrille-Lazare Siewe, Africa Office	(16.08.2017 – 16.08.2019)	Affordable and clean energy, data, sustainable cities and communities, responsible consumption and production, climate action, and marine litter.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change; Sub-Programme 4 - Environmental Governance; Sub-programme 7 - Environment under Review	After the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding, we finalized an implementation plan that is now adopted and serves as a roadmap for both organizations.  However, little progress has been made.  A workshop is planned on the implementation of the agreed upon Sustainable Development Goals.	We started working on air quality monitoring pursuant to the UNEA-3 resolution on Air Quality for Nairobi county.  We also collaborated with Safaricom on waste management (Kenya Free Plastic Initiative for World Environment Day 2018).	None

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51.	Shenzhen Shenling Car Company Ltd	Rob de Jong, Economy Division	(28.02.2019 – 28.02.2021)	Electric mobility	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change; Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Actively working with the Company on 2&3 wheelers electric motorcycle pilot demonstration projects.	There will be 300 electric motorcycles donated to the UN Environment Programme to be used in pilot projects in Africa and South East Asia.	None
52.	Strathmore University - On behalf of the Office of Deputy Prosecutor of Kenya (ODPP) Kenya	Robert Wabunoha, Law Division	(08.05.2018 – 01.01.2019) Expired	Environmental Criminal Justice Education.  Strengthening institutional capacity of countries in environmental law through training, sharing expertise and legal guidance materials.	Sub-programme 4 - Environmental Governance	The activities mentioned in the Agreement were implemented on behalf of the ODPP of Kenya.	Development of Environmental Crimes handbook.	Expenditure from the UN Environment Programme available in Small Scale Funding Agreement.

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53	The Schmidt Family Foundation	Petter Malvik, Communication Division	(20.12.2017 – 20.12.2019)	Plastic pollution, marine litter	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	The Partner has provided financial support to the Clean Seas campaign through a grant from 11th Hour Racing.  We are currently in discussions with 11th Hour Racing about another round of funding for next year.	The funding has helped produce several campaign collaterals, including the animation video that was produced together with the German animation studio, Kurzgesagt. To date, the video has more than three million views.	Positive contribution to the UN Environment Programme available in donor agreement.

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54.	Unilever U.K. Central Resources Limited	Llorenç Milà i Canals, Economy Division	(04.05.2018 – 04.05.2020)	Promoting sustainable consumption and production in the areas where both institutions can add value and synergies; Foster the use of life cycle knowledge and approaches to inform decisions towards sustainable development through the Life Cycle Initiative partnership; Development of life cycle data; Development of impact indicators and; Development of sectoral approaches to incorporate life cycle thinking.	Sub-programme 6 - Resource Efficiency	May 2019: Active contribution from Unilever colleagues in the work on life cycle impact assessment indicators (particularly toxicity related categories), as well as participation in a joint workshop between the Life Cycle Initiative and the Alliance of Beverage Cartons and the Environment (ACE) on assessing sustainable land use in Life Cycle Assessment.  Unilever is engaged in a higher-level discussion on a potential new Memorandum of Understanding at a more strategic level, encompassing other areas of collaboration, specially (to be confirmed) on plastics and circular economy, sustainable food systems, financing sustainable agricultural commodities, and sustainable lifestyles.	As mentioned, continued engagement in life-cycle impact indicators development.	Positive contribution to the UN Environment Programme in relevant agreement.

B.V. Zacarias, Latin America and Caribbean Office   Tartegy Guyana   Tarte		Partner(s)	UN Environment Lead & Division	Duration of Agreement(s)	Themes and Areas of Cooperation	Sub- Programme of Work related to Agreement	Progress on Implementation of Agreement(s)	Achievements, Including Success Stories	Financial Implications /Transfer of Funds
	55.		Zacarias, Latin America and	(17.05.2018 – 17.02.2019)	/Green State Development	Sub-programme 6 - Resource	work with. They have great expertise and capacity to work on green economy and sustainable	Guyana. Development of three chapters of the Green State Development Strategy (GSDS). Report on the Financial Mechanisms for the GSDS. Presentation of the work at expert meetings, workshops and at Cabinet level, receiving very positive feedback and	the UN Environment Programme available

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56.	Volvo Ocean Race	Lisa Svensson, Ecosystems Division	(18.05.2017 – 18.05.2019)	Marine pollution	Sub-programme 5 - Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality	Though the Memorandum of Understanding is still valid, it was very much focused on the last edition of the Volvo Ocean Race which ended in June 2018.	The partnership with the Volvo Ocean Race has been a great success in terms of raising the profile of the Clean Seas campaign. Some highlights:  It has created print coverage worth almost US\$1 million;  Online coverage worth almost US\$1.5 million dollars;  Social media coverage worth almost US\$3 million dollars;  The Turn the Tide on Plastic Campaign won the Beyond Sport Award for best corporate campaign.	Expenditure from the UN Environment Programme available in relevant agreement.

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57.	Wizcraft International Entertainment Private Limited	Atul Bagai, Asia and Pacific Office	(10.12.2018 – 10.12.2020)	To promote greening of events, conferences and other entertainment platforms in India and overseas; To launch and sustain a communication, awareness and outreach drive; and to communicate effectively the solutions to sustainable alternatives.	Communication efforts relating to all Sub-programmes.	The International Indian Film Academy Awards (IIFA) announced its association with the UN Environment Programme, at a press conference held in Delhi, ahead of World Environment Day 2018 with four leading Bollywood actors and the UN Environment Programme including Goodwill ambassador, Dia Mirza.	In June 2018, IIFA gave two vast advocacy opportunities in Bangkok – one press conference and a chance to speak about the Beat Plastic Pollution campaign at the awards ceremony. Planning underway with Wizcraft, to detail the agenda for IFFA 2019 to be held in Beijing	None

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58.	World Sailing Limited	Petter Malvik, Communication Division	(05.06.2018 – 2019)	Marine pollution		In progress	Clean Seas was featured during the World Sailing Youth Championship and more outreach activities are in the pipeline.	None None

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59	D. YAPU Solutions Gmbh	Gustavo Mañez, Latin America and the Caribbean Office	(15.03.2018 – 15.03.2020)	Climate Change		Agreement is operational. YAPU is providing technical assistance to financial institutions in the region.	Improved methodology for gap assessment of financial institutions and green strategy implementation.	None

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0. Beijing Capital International Airport		(04.05.2015 – 30.05.2018)	Exhibitions at Beijing Capital International Airport.	Work related to		We have reached millions of people with the exhibitions on various campaigns and the UN Environment Programme's priority topics.	

## Additional Partnerships from the District Energy in Cities Initiative

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1.	Danfoss	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	(2016 – 2020)	District energy systems.	Sub-Programme 1 - Climate Change	Successful delivery to date as per letter of commitment provided by Danfoss and as per tri-partied Memorandum of Understanding between the collaborating centre, the UN Environment Programme and Danfoss Foundation.	Jointly mobilized US\$ 1.5 million from the Danfoss Foundation to provide technical advice through a team of experts seconded to the Initiative. This allowed us to help cities design financially and environmentally-sound district energy projects in more than 25 cities. In addition, Danfoss provided US\$ 1.2 million in-kind and co- financed to the partnership for study tours, communication activities, capacity building, and the provision of market data.  The Chief Executive Officer provided op- eds/opinion pieces and several media engagements on behalf of the <i>Initiative</i> . The Chief Executive Officer participated at political forums, such the Climate Summit, Conference of the Parties among other events.	Positive contribution to the UN Environment Programme.

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2.	ENGIE	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	(2016 – 2020)	District energy in cities.	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Successful delivery to date as per Letter of Commitment provided by ENGIE.	Through study tours, trainings and technical assessments, worked with the UN Environment Programme to help design Chile's national government Document of Strategy of Chile (DES). This strategy was adopted in the presidential plan and will result in significant reduction of Green House Emissions and air pollution (numbers can be provided).  Provided over US\$800,000 in capacity building through study tours for local and national delegates (from India, Malaysia, Chile); prefeasibility assessments in 10 cities; and joint design and delivery of trainings.	Positive contribution to the UN Environment Programme.

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3.	EMPOWER	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	(2016 – 2020)	N/A	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Agreement(s)  Successful delivery to date as per letter of commitment provided by EMPOWER.	Provided the time and expertise of the Chief Executive Officer by acting as a special advisor on district cooling to the Initiative.  Sent experts to conduct assessments in India.  Delivered training workshops.  Sponsored production of promotional video on district cooling.  Sponsored international	Positive contribution to the UN Environment Programme.
							conferences and forums on district cooling in Egypt and Dubai.  US\$1 million in cofinancing invested to date.	

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4.	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) (*in this instance treated as a private sector entity)	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	(2016 – 2020)	Financing of investments identified in the UN Environment Programme projects	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Successful delivery to date as per letter of exchange with the Programme, Economy Division, Climate Technology Centre and Network, and European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD).  Committed to invest in Egypt. Seawater district cooling is now considered feasible. Joint mobilization of US\$500,000 in funding from the Kigali Efficiency Climate Programme (KCEP) to the Initiative for a district cooling project in Egypt.  Provided technical data, detailed review and analysis of assessments to ensure that they are bankable and shared.  Previously undertaken feasibility studies in select cities to be improved upon.	Co-financed a feasibility study in Banja Luka (Bosnia and Herzegovina). Recommendations were adopted by the city council and a call for tender was issued based on the results of the feasibility study. Total project investment leveraged from Initiative activities: EUR 17.8 million (US\$21.3 M). EBRD approving a EUR 8.4 million (US\$10M) loan. The plant officially opened on 15 March 2018 and will cut carbon dioxide emissions by 91% and Sulphur dioxide emissions by 94%. Press releases, and other forms of outreach like presentation made to UNEP's CPR on the successful collaboration with EBRD. Hosted a study tour for delegates from Egypt in Jordan fostering South-South transfer of knowledge.	Positive contribution to the UN Environment Programme.

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5.	International Finance Corporation (*in this instance treated as a private sector entity)	Lily Riahi, Economy Division	(2017 – 2020)	Financing of investments identified in the UN Environment Programme projects	Sub-programme 1 - Climate Change	Successful delivery to date as per letter of commitment provided by the International Finance Corporation, India Office.	Provided US\$100,000 in cash co-finance of district cooling assessments in two Indian cities.  Joint workshop with six countries and participating cities financed by the International Finance Corporation.  Feasibility and regulatory analysis on district energy and public-private partnership potential in six countries shared with the Initiative.	Positive contribution to the UN Environment Programme.