Joint Project Document

Joint Project Title: **Poverty-Environment Action for Sustainable Development Goals (Poverty-Environment Action- PEA)**

UNDP Strategic Plan Outcome(s):   Outcome 1 – Eradicate poverty in all its forms and dimensions

UN Environment Midterm Strategy Outcome(s):   Expected Accomplishment b: Institutional capacity and policy and/or legal frameworks enhanced to achieve internationally agreed environmental goals, including the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals.

UNDP Strategic Plan Output: Output 1.1.1: Capacities developed across the whole of government to integrate the 2030 Agenda, the Paris Agreement and other international agreements (footnote – includes Addis, Istanbul, Quito, SAMOA, Sendai) in development plans and budgets, and to analyze progress toward the SDGs using innovative and data-driven solutions.

UN Environment Midterm Strategy Outputs: Output 1: Advisory services and capacity development to strengthen institutional capacity and policy and legal frameworks for effectively and inclusively addressing the environmental dimension of Sustainable Development Goals.

Output 2: Advisory services to support countries in applying integrated approaches to the three dimensions of sustainable development in planning and policymaking, including in United Nations common country programming processes and in the context of promoting poverty and environment linkages in countries' policymaking, planning and budgeting.

Expected Joint Project Outcome: Strengthened and more coherent policies, plans, regulations and investments to support Poverty-Environment priorities.

Project Duration: 4 years
Anticipated Start/End Dates: 01 Sept 2018–31 Aug 2022
Fund Management Option: Pooled
Managing Agent: UNDP

PAC Meeting Date: 28th June 2018

Total estimated
donor funded project budget*:   **US$ 20M**

Out of which approximately:
Funded budget: US$ 15.7M
Unfunded budget: US$ 4.3M

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Source of funded budget:
UN Environment (pooled funds)
(Norway/Sweden Pooled Funds)   US$ 4M**
European Commission   € 8.8 M/US$11M ***
Government of Austria   € 600K/US$ 735K****
Core agency contributions:
UNDP (parallel, in kind staff and TRAC)   US$ 6M
UN Environment (in kind staff)   US$ 6M

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* Total estimated budget includes both project costs and indirect project support costs

** Pending continued core support from Norway and Sweden to UN Environment at current level or higher, and inclusive of direct project costs for UN Environment

*** Estimated as US$11 million, actual values dependent on exchange rate in place at time of contracting/funds transfer

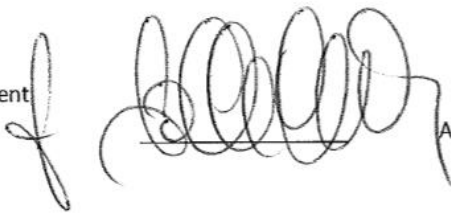**** Estimated as US$735K, actual values dependent on exchange rate in place at time of contracting/funds transfer

Agreed by United Nations Organizations:

	Signature	Date	Name and Title
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)		August 2018	Mr. Abdoulaye Mar Dieye Assistant Secretary General Bureau for Policy and Programme Support
United Nations Environment Programme (UN Environment)		23 August 2018	Ms. Monika MacDeVette Director, Ecosystem Division a.i

III. RESULTS AND RESOURCES FRAMEWORK

Joint Project Outcome:
Strengthened integration of poverty-environment-climate objectives into policies, plans, regulations and investments of partner countries to accelerate delivery of the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs
Outcome Indicator 1: Number of countries demonstrating alignment between poverty-environment objectives in plans and related budget allocations[11]
Outcome Indicator 2: Number of countries with increased investments in support of environmental sustainability and climate priorities for poverty eradication
Outcome Indicator 3: Number of tools and approaches applied by regional and global partners in support of poverty-environment nexus for SDG acceleration

Joint Project Outputs	Joint Project Output Indicators[12], Baselines[13] and Targets [14]	Participating UN organisation[15]	Participating UN organisation corporate priority	Implementing Partner	Indicative activities for each output	Indicative Resource Allocation and Time Frame				
						Y1 (USD)	Y2 (USD)	Y3 (USD)	Y4 (USD)	Total (USD)
Output 1: Development planning, budgeting and monitoring systems integrate environmental sustainability and climate	1.1 Number of planning frameworks, legislation and regulations that integrate the poverty-environment nexus (per country) 1.2 Policy positions(s) on poverty-	UNDP/UN Environment	UNDP SP Output/ UN Environment PoW+ MTR Output	UNDP	**Deliverable 1.1**: Capacity to apply integrated approaches and tools for mainstreaming environmental sustainability and climate objectives for poverty eradication in development planning and budgeting	1.365M	1.365M	1.365M	1.365M	5.46M

[11] Budget allocations towards poverty-environment objectives will be monitored annually. Links to the UNDP Strategic Plan Output 1.1.1, Indicator 1: Number of countries that have development plans and budgets that integrate international agreements across the whole-of-government: a) 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development; b) Paris Agreement; c) other international agreements; and to the UN Environment Midterm Strategy Output Indicator: Number of countries reporting the integration of the environment in national and subnational planning and budgeting processes on sustainable development.

[12] Poverty-Environment Action has developed an indicator definition sheet for each indicator to measure implementation of gender and rights-based approaches in relation to relevant deliverables across the three outputs.

[13] Country level assessments will include gender disaggregated data to determine relevant baselines and indicated in the indicator definition sheets

[14] Means of verification for Output 1 will include: Government decrees, Parliamentary acts, Government-sanctioned regulation, Government-endorsed policies and plans, Annual sector working plans and budgets, Minutes of government coordination meeting, Local government mainstreaming guidelines, development plans and reports, National sector progress reports , (Sub-) national monitoring frameworks, National system of accounts and annual financial reports, National statistical surveys , National voluntary SDG reports

[15] In cases of joint projects using pooled fund management modalities, the Managing Agent is responsible/accountable for achieving all shared joint project outputs.

objectives for poverty eradication Gender Marker Code: GEN1	environment issues formulated by non-government actors 1.3 Number of government-led inter-sectoral coordination mechanisms that promote coherence of planning, frameworks, legislation and regulations 1.4 Number of countries where environmental/social/economic data are collected, analysed and reported applying a poverty-environment nexus perspective through national development and SDG monitoring systems Baselines: TBD[16] Targets: TBD[17]				**Deliverable 1.2**: Institutional mechanisms promote policy coherence to accelerate implementation of environmental sustainability and climate objectives for poverty eradication					

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[16] Baselines for each output will be established during the inception phase of the project by December 2018.

[17] Targets for each output will be established during the inception phase of the project by December 2018.

Output 2: [18]	2.1: Number of key budget policy documents (e.g. budget statements, economic surveys, budget call circulars) that reflect environmental sustainability and climate priorities for poverty eradication (per country)	UNDP/UN Environment		UNDP	Deliverable 2.1: Public expenditure and emerging national SDG financing frameworks support shift in government allocations towards environmental sustainability and climate objectives for poverty eradication	2.535M	2.535M	2.535M	2.535M	10.14M
Public finance and investment frameworks incentivize shift in public and private investments towards environmental sustainability and climate objectives for poverty eradication	2.2. Number of countries with increased annual and medium-term sector budget allocations (including national and sub-national levels) that reflect environmental sustainability and climate for poverty eradication									
Gender Marker Code: GEN1					Deliverable 2.2: Economic, financial and regulatory incentives and private sector initiatives encourage shift in private investments towards environmental sustainability and climate objectives for poverty eradication					
	2.3: Number of countries with fiscal instruments (tax, incentives, user fees, etc.) adopted in policies and regulations that prioritise quality investments									

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[18] Means of verification for Output 2 will include: Ministry of finance guidance (e.g. budget call circulars), Legislative/civil society organization oversight processes (scorecards, budget committees etc.), Ministry of finance budget statements, Local government budget statements, Poverty and social impact analysis/cost benefit analysis; economic surveys, Sector ministry reports (e.g. fisheries, forestry), Tax authority reports, Oversight reports from relevant ministry (planning, investment, finance, environment and natural resources, commerce, etc.), National statistics office data on investment expenditures

	2.4: Number of guidelines and tools to manage private sector investment decisions that facilitate or prioritize quality investments Baselines: TBD[19] Targets: TBD[20]									
Output 3:[21] SDG implementation and acceleration processes leveraged to scale up use of integrated	3.1: Number of Poverty-Environment Action knowledge-sharing and learning products that are referenced by regional and global networks	UNDP/UN Environment		UNDP	**Deliverable 3.1**: Poverty-Environment Action knowledge products synthesize country-level experience and lessons in the use of integrated poverty-environment mainstreaming approaches and tools	1.1M	1.1M	1.1M	1.1M	4.4M

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[20] Targets for each output will be established during the inception phase of the project by December 2018.

[21] Means of verification for Output 3 will include: Google Scho, UN and other development agencies' websites and publications, Knowledge Products Inventory (database), Terms of reference for the South-South exchanges, Reports and presentations from global and regional fora that make specific reference to Poverty-Environment Action/PEI approaches and tools, Interviews with key individuals from global and regional programmes and agencies

| poverty-environment mainstreaming approaches and tools

Gender Marker Code: GEN1

Baselines: TBD[22]

Targets: TBD[23] | 3.2: Number of countries adopting Poverty-Environment Action tools/ approaches resulting from South-South knowledge collaborations

3.3: Number of regional and global Poverty-Environment Action partner programmes and agencies that apply an integrated mainstreaming approach | | | | **Deliverable 3.2**: Uptake of integrated poverty-environment mainstreaming approaches and tools by global, regional and local institutions supporting SDG implementation in 'non-Poverty Environment Action' | | | | | |
| **TOTAL PROGRAMMABLE BUDGET (inclusive of General Management Service and Project Implementation Support/DPC)[24]** | | | | | | **5M** | **5M** | **5M** | **5M** | **20M** |

Out of the annual budget of USD 5 million, a total average amount of USD 2.4 million per year will go to the eight full-fledged country projects (USD 300,000 per country per year); while around USD 1.5 million per year will be dedicated towards the implementation of the broadening/technical assistance component.

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[22] Baselines for each output will be established during the inception phase of the project by December 2018 and presented to the project board.

[23] Targets for each output will be established during the inception phase of the project by December 2018 and presented to the project board.

[24] The resource framework budget reflects only cash resources available for implementation through UNDP Poverty-Environment Action Project ATLAS accounts and does not include in-kind staff or core TRAC funds as reflected on the cover page.