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UNEP/GCF/PCA/RPPF/ROLAC /2023/ SB-010864.04/S1-32GCL-000019-11229-32GCL-14AC0001 USD 6,000.70
UNEP/GCF/PCA/RPPF/ROLAC /2023/ SB-010864.05/S1-32GCL-000019-11229-3208GCL-14AC0001 USD 23,150.00
Total Amount of Cooperation: USD 272,342.27

Bridging Agreement to PCA-CC-001/2023: No additional cost to UNEP
Second Bridging Agreement to PCA-CC-001/2023: No additional cost to UNEP

Second Bridging Agreement to PCA-CC-001-2023

BETWEEN

Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources of the Dominican Republic (hereinafter referred to as "the Implementing Entity")

AND

The United Nations Environment Programme (hereinafter referred to as "UNEP")

GREEN CLIMATE FUND PROPOSAL

FOR READINESS AND PREPARATORY SUPPORT for "Building capacity to advance National Adaptation Plan Process in the Dominican Republic"

This Second Bridging Agreement and its Annexes is made:

BETWEEN: The United Nations Environment Programme (hereinafter referred to as "UNEP" and represented by its Director, Ecosystems Division, an international inter-governmental organization established by the General Assembly of the United Nations, and having its office at P.O. Box 30552, Nairobi 00100, Kenya.

AND: Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources of the Dominican Republic (hereinafter referred to as "the Implementing Entity"), Government Agency represented by its Vice Minister of of Climate Change and Sustainability and having its office at Avenida Cayetano Germosén corner of Avenue Gregario Luperón, El Pedregal, Santo Domingo, R. D.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES:

WHEREAS: UNEP and the Implementing Entity concluded a Project Cooperation Agreement for the maximum amount of USD 272,342.27 (Two hundred seventy-two thousand, three hundred forty-two United States dollars and twenty-seven cents) in support of the project entitled ""Building capacity to advance National Adaptation Plan Process in the Dominican Republic", PCA-CC-001-2023 (hereinafter referred to as the original PCA). The end date of the agreement was 8 October 2023.

WHEREAS on 13 October 2023 the Parties have concluded a First Bridging Agreement for the purposes of extending the validity of the Agreement up to 08 June 2024 and adjusting the implementation plan to the new implementation period of Agreement.

WHEREAS a new extension of the Grant was granted by the Green Climate Fund on June 3, 2024, prompting the need to extend the Agreement currently in effect until the same date.

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As a result, and pursuant to Article 67 of the Agreement, UNEP LACO expressed to the IP the need to amend the agreement to extend its implementation time. With the internal procedures mentioned above still going, in an extraordinary case, the extension of the agreement is requested a few days before its expiration, considering the need to comply with UNEP's internal policies and procedures. The Parties have agreed to the signing of the present second bridging agreement to enable the extent of the duration of the PCA as set forth in the following clauses.

Clause I Interpretation

For the purpose of interpretation of this Agreement, the modified Implementation Plan appended as Appendix 1 as well as the Annexes to this Agreement, including original PCA signed (Annex 1) and the Previous Bridging Agreement signed on 13 October 2024 (Annex 2) shall be construed as an integral part of this Agreement.

Clause II Objective and Scope

The purpose of this Second Bridging Agreement is to:

- a) Extend the validity of the PCA until June 08, 2025¹, modifying Article 5 of the agreement.
- b) Modify the Project Implementation Plan to reflect the new duration of the Agreement, modifying Annex 5. Modified Annex 5 of Original Agreement is appended to this agreement as Appendix 1 and shall be construed as an integral part of this agreement.

Clause III Duration

The term of the Agreement shall commence on the last day of signature and shall remain in force until 08 June 2025. However, the project's effectiveness shall be the date of receipt by the Implementing Entity of the first installment of funds.

Clause IV Financial and Operational Obligations

UNEP shall provide all cash advances in US dollars up to the maximum amount of US\$ 272,342.27.

- a) The first installment shall be advanced to the Implementing Entity approximately 15 days after the following signature and delivery and acceptance of Product 1 of the Original Agreement.
- b) Advance the second installment to the Implementing Entity within 3 months after the entry into force of the Original Agreement and after a financial report and delivery and acceptance of Product 2 as referenced in Section VII of this Agreement, in line with Disbursement Schedule as set forth in Table 2 of Annex 5B of the Original Agreement, has been received by UNEP, showing satisfactory progress of activities and adequate management and use of Green Climate Fund resources. This requires evidence that the total funds previously disbursed by UNEP have been fully committed on Eligible Expenditures. Requests for subsequent cash advances shall be made using the Annex 7B of the Original Agreement.
- c) Make the final disbursement, normally amounting USD 23,385.49 of the agreement amount, upon submission and acceptance of Products 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, in line with Disbursement Schedule set

¹ The legal instrument remains in force for 6 months after the proposal technical completion date on Annex 1 of 08/06/2025 to allow for receipt for all terminal reporting.

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forth in Table 2 of Annex 5B of the Original Agreement, the final report, all outputs, final audited expenditure report, co-finance report and final inventory of non-expendable equipment together with signed transfer agreement (if applicable). UNEP reserves the right to withhold the final payment in case of the Implementing Entity's non-compliance of the abovementioned reporting obligations.

The payment of the above installments is subject to UNEP having received the funds associated with the Project from the Green Climate Fund.


Clause V
Dispute Settlement

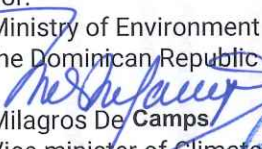
The Parties shall settle amicably through direct negotiations, any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or relating to the present Agreement, including breach and termination of the Agreement. Should such negotiations fail, the matter shall be referred to arbitration in accordance with United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Arbitration Rules (UNCITRAL). The Parties shall be bound by the arbitration award rendered in accordance with such arbitration, as the final decision on any such dispute, controversy or claim. The "place of Arbitration", within the meaning of the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules, shall be determined by the conciliator or the arbitrator after consultation with the parties, having regard to the circumstances of the case.

Clause VI
Privileges and Immunities

Nothing in or relating to this Agreement shall be deemed a waiver, express or implied, of any of the privileges and immunities of the United Nations and UNEP.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto, have on behalf of the Parties hereto signed the present Agreement at the place and on the day below written.

For:
United Nations Environment Programme

Juan Bello
Regional Director and Representative
Latin America and the Caribbean Office
Date: 20 June 2024

For:
Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources of
the Dominican Republic

Milagros De Camps
Vice minister of Climate Change and Sustainability
Date: 22/7/2024



APPENDIX 1: Modified Annex 5 named "Project Implementation Plan"

ANNEX1: Original PCA-CC-001-2023
ANNEX 2: First Bridging Agreement of 13 October 2024

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GCF Readiness Proposal Title:

Project executing partner:

Project implementation period (add additional years as required):

Note: Plan should cover an additional 6 months after the project is completed to cover requirements for final reporting and terminal evaluation

Executing Agency | UN Environment

Building capacity to advance National Adaptation Plan Process in the Dominican Republic
Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources of the Dominican Republic

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- Inception meeting/workshop + report of meeting
- Procure equipment
- Hire consultants and project staff
- Prepare sub-contracts (if required)
- Establish M&E system
- Expenditure report - 1 October, 1 Enero, 1 Abril and 8 June + 30 days
- Progress report - by 1 October, 1 Enero, 1 Abril and 8 June + 30 days
- Annual co-financing report
- Annual audit report December and June 8 + 40 days
- Annual non-expendable equipment report June 8 + 30 days
- Year end review of project accounts June 8 + 30 days
- Project Implementation Review (APR) - December 31
- Project revisions
- Mid-term review/evaluation
- Progress reports to GCF - Jun 8
- Project brochure/newsletter/banner (where applicable)

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17	GCF communications																		
18	Training workshops/seminars																		
19	Project website design & development + updates/revamps																		
20	Project steering committee meeting + minutes of meeting																		
21	Site visits + mission reports																		
22	Technical/substantive completion																		
23	Final report + outputs																		
24	Completion revision																		
25	Final audit report for project - June 8 + 40 days																		
26	Terminal evaluation																		
27	Return unspent funds (if applicable)																		
28	Closing revision - June 8 + 30 days																		

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