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**Mr Artur Cardoso de Lacerda,
Secretary to the Board & Director of Governance Affairs,
Green Climate Fund, 175 Art Center-daero,
Yeonsu-gu, Incheon 406-840,
Republic of Korea.**

Dear Mr Secretary,

Selections for the 5th term of Membership of the GCF Board, 2025-27

Thank you for your letter dated 5 June 2024 regarding the above matter and our apologies for the late response.

On behalf of Small Island Developing States (SIDS), I wish to submit our selection as follows:

- (1) Member: Dr Teuea Toatu, Vice President of Kiribati; and
- (2) Alternate member: Mr Amjad Abdulla, DG Climate Change Department of the Ministry of Climate Change, Maldives. Phone: (960) 3018481

Should you require further information please do let us know.

Yours sincerely,

**Fatumanava-o-Upolu III Dr. Pa'olelei Luteru
Ambassador and Chair of AOSIS**

cc: H.E. Teuboro Tito, Ambassador of Kiribati to UN;
Mr Ahmed Waheed, Director, Ministry of Climate Change, Environment and Energy, Maldives.



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His Excellency
Mr. Fatumanava-o-Upolu III Dr Pa'olelei Luteru
Permanent Representative
Permanent Mission of Samoa to the United Nations
New York, United States of America

Date: 05 June 2024

Reference: OGA/Corr/006

Selections for the fifth term of membership to the GCF Board, 2025–2027

Your Excellency Mr. Fatumanava-o-Upolu III Dr Pa'olelei Luteru,

As the current fourth term membership of the Green Climate Fund (GCF) Board will expire on 31 December 2024, the Secretariat of the GCF, in its capacity as depository of the selection of members of the GCF Board, would like to bring to the attention of the Chairs and Coordinators of regional groups and constituencies¹ the process for the selection of Board members and alternate members for the fifth term membership of the Board, which will cover the period from 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2027.

In this connection, **the selection** of the members of the Board and their alternates will be made by their respective constituency or regional group within a constituency. **The notification** shall be made as follows:

- In the case of developed country Parties, the notification shall be made by the developed country Party or group of these that the member(s) represent, *as determined by the constituency*. In recent practice, the notification has been made by the Co-Chair of the GCF Board representing the developed constituency.

- In the case of the developing country Parties, the notification shall be made by the corresponding regional group. In practice, the notification has been made by the Chair or Coordinator of the concerned regional group.

Please note that the notification to the Secretariat of the Board of the members and alternate members selected for the term 2025–2027 **shall be made in writing** and be directed via e-mail to Mr. Artur Cardoso de Lacerda, Secretary to the Board and Director of Governance Affairs, (SecretarytotheBoard@gcfund.org). It shall be transmitted to the Secretariat **before 30 September 2024**, and include:

- the name(s) and contact details of the member(s); and
- the name(s) and contact details of the alternate member(s).

¹ Contact information for the Chairs and Coordinators of regional groups and constituencies as of 3 June 2024: [UNFCCC Negotiating Group Chairs and Coordinators June 2024.pdf](#) and [Contact information of Chairs \(unfccc.int\)](#)

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For your ease of reference, Annex I details the main provisions of the GCF Governing Instrument and Rules of Procedure of the GCF Board; Annex II details the Board membership selection process; Annex III presents the current composition of the Board.

An update on the status of selections for the fifth term of membership will be provided at the fortieth meeting of the GCF Board, to take place in October 2024. This information will also be included in the addendum to the Thirteenth Report of the GCF to the Conference of the Parties (COP) to be submitted to the UNFCCC prior to the twenty-ninth session of the COP.

Please feel free to contact the GCF Secretariat at (SecretarytotheBoard@gcfund.org) for any further information you may require.

We thank you for your attention and please receive our best regards.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Artur Cardoso de Lacerda".

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Annex I: Board composition: main provisions of GCF Governing Instrument and the Rules of Procedure of the Board

In accordance with paragraphs 9 and 10 of the Governing Instrument for the GCF (“Governing Instrument”), *“the Board will have 24 members, composed of an equal number of members from developing and developed country Parties. (...)”, and “[e]ach Board member will have an alternate member (...)”.*

Paragraph 12 of the Governing Instrument specifies that *“[m]embers and alternate members will serve for a term of three years and be eligible to serve additional terms as determined by their constituency”.*

Paragraph 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the Board (“Rules of Procedure”) sets out that *“[f]or each new term, pursuant to paragraph 11 of the Governing Instrument, the selection and notification to the Secretariat of the Board member or alternate member shall be made by the developed or developing country Party or group of these that the Board member or alternate member represents as determined by the constituency in the case of the developed country Parties, or by his or her respective regional group consistent with paragraph 3 above in the case of the developing country Parties.”*

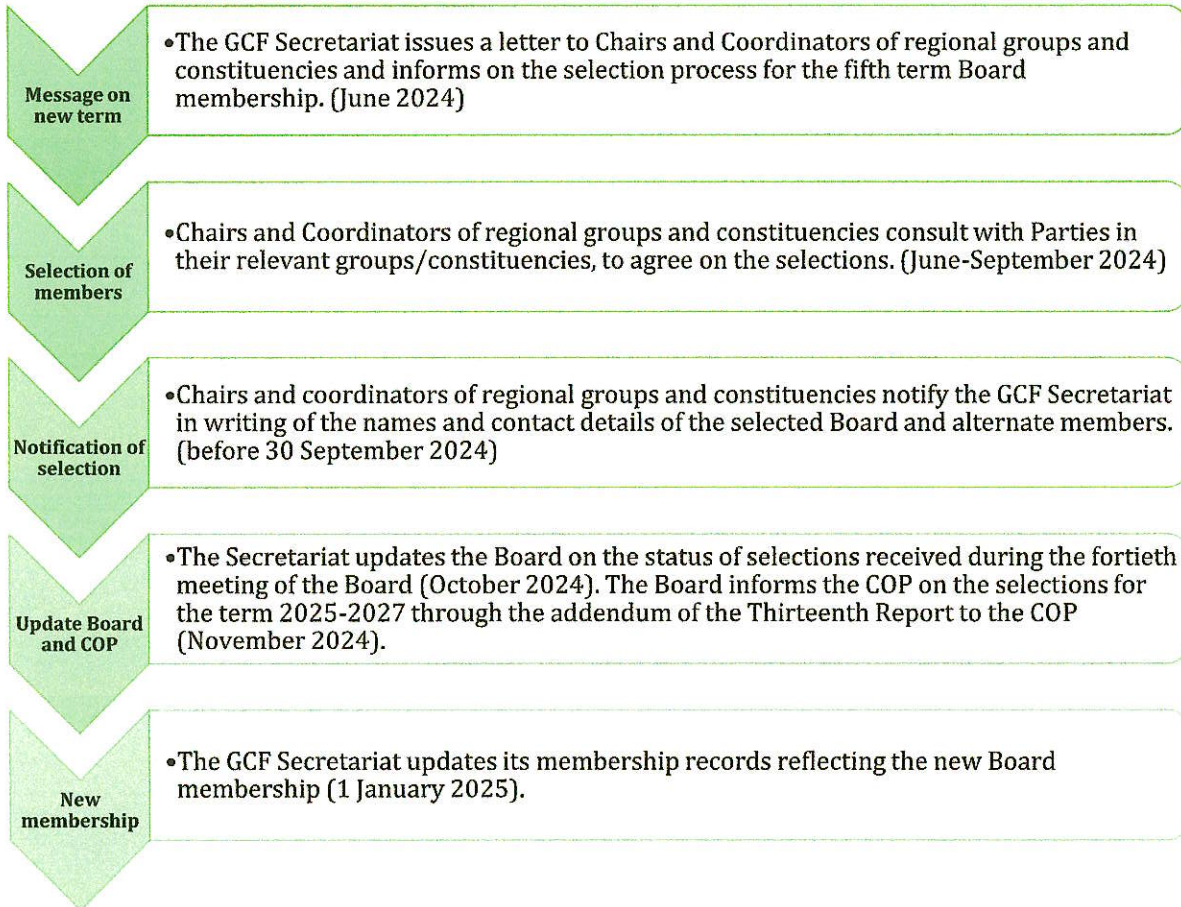
Paragraph 3 of the Rules of Procedure sets out that *“[the] representation on the Board from developing country Parties will include:*

- (1) Three members and alternate members from the Asia-Pacific States;*
- (2) Three members and alternate members from the African States;*
- (3) Three members and alternate members from the Latin American and the Caribbean States;*
- (4) One member and alternate member from small island developing States;*
- (5) One member and alternate member from least developed country Parties; and*
- (6) One member from developing country Parties not included in the regional groups and constituencies above; and one alternate member to rotate between developing country Parties included in the groups and constituencies listed above”.*

Pursuant to paragraph 11 of the Governing Instrument, *“[t]he members of the Board and their alternates will be selected by their respective constituency or regional group within a constituency. Members of the Board will have the necessary experience and skills, notably in the areas of climate change and development finance, with due consideration given to gender balance”.*



Annex II: Fifth term of Board membership selection process





**Annex III: Composition of the Board of the Green Climate Fund as at
05 June 2024**

		Board member	Alternate member
DEVELOPING CONSTITUENCY	African States	Mr. Tlou Emmanuel RAMARU (South Africa) Policy Analyst, Higher Council for Environmental and Natural Resources Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism	Ms. Pacifica F. OGOLA (Kenya) Director, Climate Change Programmes Coordination Ministry of Environment and Forestry
		Mr. Wael Ahmed Kamal ABOUL- MAGD (Egypt) Ambassador Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Mr. Antwi Boasiako AMOAH (Ghana) Deputy Director, Climate change adaptation and vulnerability Environmental Protection Agency
		Mr. Tanguy Guillaume GAHOUMA-BEKALE (Gabon) Special Advisor to the Gabonese President, Permanent Secretary of the National Climate Council	Mr. Hussein ALFA NAFO (Mali) Secretary General Africa Adaptation Initiative (AAI) Coordinator, Technical Support Unit (TSU)
	Asia-Pacific States	Mr. Jae Hwan Kim (Republic of Korea) Director General, Development Finance Bureau Ministry of Economy and Finance	Mr. Yingzhi LIU (People's Republic of China) Director Ministry of Finance
		Mr. Mohammad AYOUB (Saudi Arabia) Climate Policy and Negotiations Ministry of Energy	Ms. Maria Luwalhati C. DOROTAN TIUSECO (Philippines) Undersecretary for Climate Finance Policy Department of Finance



		Mr. Nauman Bashir BHATTI (Pakistan) Ambassador Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Mr. Massoud REZVANIAN RAHAGHI (Iran) Director, International Affairs of Environment Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Latin America and the Caribbean		Vacant	Mr. Walter SCHULDT (Ecuador) Director of Environment and Sustainable Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs
		Mr. Alejandro SOLANO ORTIZ (Costa Rica) Vice Minister, Ambassador Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Mr. Jaime TRAMON (Chile) Senior Advisor, Financial and International Affairs Division Ministry of Finance
		Ms. Milagros de CAMPS GERMAN (The Dominican Republic) Deputy Minister for Climate Change and Sustainability Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources	Mr. Javier Antonio GUTIERREZ RAMIREZ (Nicaragua) Secretary of Climate Change of the Presidency and Vice Minister of Environment Government of Nicaragua
	Least developed countries	Mr. Karma TSHERING (Bhutan) Chief, Policy and Planning Division Ministry of Agriculture and Forests	Ms. Isatou F. CAMARA (Gambia) Deputy Director Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs
Small island developing States	Ms. Diann BLACK-LAYNE (Antigua and Barbuda)	Mr. Teuea TOATU (Kiribati)	



		Director and Ambassador for Climate Change, Department of the Environment	Vice President and Minister Ministry of Finance and Economic Development
	Rotating Seat	Ms. Nino TANDILASHVILI (Georgia) Deputy Minister Minister of Environmental Protection and Agriculture	Mr. Ruel YAMUNA (Papua New Guinea) Special Envoy Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Climate Change
DEVELOPED CONSTITUENCY	Spain, Ireland, and New Zealand	Mr. José PEREZ (Spain) Senior Advisor Ministry of Economic Affairs and Digital Transformation	Ms. Gillian NAUGHTON MURPHY (Ireland) Advisor, International Climate and Sustainability Finance Department of Finance
	Canada, Belgium, Poland	Mr. Andrew HURST (Canada) Executive Director, Climate Finance Bureau Global Affairs Canada	Ms. Katrijn COPPENS (Belgium) Secretary, Embassy Directorate for Climate and Environment Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Cooperation
	Finland, Hungary, Monaco, Liechtenstein, and Switzerland	Ms. Lucretia LANDMANN (Switzerland) Senior Policy Adviser Federal Office for the Environment	Ms. Anna MERRIFIELD (Finland) Director, Climate and Environmental Diplomacy Unit Ministry of Foreign Affairs
	France	Mr. Stéphane CIENIEWSKI (France) Senior Adviser on Environment and Climate	Mr. Pierre MARC (France) Deputy Head, Multilateral Financing for



		Ministry for Economy, Finance and Recovery	Development and Climate Unit French Treasury
Germany	Mr. Gerhard SCHLAUDRAFF (Germany) Head, Division for Financing International Climate Action, Multilateral Development Banks Sustainable Finance, Forests Federal Foreign Office	Ms. Lena BRETAS (Germany) Senior Policy Officer Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development	
Japan	Ms. Yukiko OKANO (Japan) Assistant Minister, Deputy Director General, International Climate Change Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Mr. Tsuyoshi HYOKAI (Japan) Director for Climate Change and Environmental Issues Ministry of Finance	
Denmark, Luxembourg, and Netherlands	Ms. Charlotte JUST (Denmark) Chief Advisor, Dept. for Green Diplomacy and Climate Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Ms. Alexandra LOUISZON (Netherlands) Senior Policy Advisor Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
Norway, Iceland, and Czech Republic	Mr. Hans Olav IBREKK (Norway) Special Envoy, Climate and Security Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Ms. Malin MEYER (Norway) Senior Adviser Ministry of Climate Change and Environment	
Italy, Austria, and Portugal	Ms. Gisella BERARDI (Italy) Senior Advisor, Global Public Goods Office, International Financial Relations Directorate Ministry of the Economy and Finance	Mr. José DELGADO (Austria) Senior Climate Policy Advisor Federal Ministry of Finance	



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