

**Global Green Growth Institute**

The Council

Written Procedure

April 26, 2017

**Decision to approve the Director-General to serve as a member of the Council of the Technology Bank for LDCs**

The Council,

*Acknowledging* the letter by U.N. Secretary General, the Hon. Antonio Guterres, dated March 28, 2017 to the Director-General of the Global Green Growth Institute to invite him in his official capacity to serve on the Council of the Technology Bank for Least Developed Countries (hereinafter referred to as the "Technology Bank") for a term of office ending on December 31, 2019,

*Recalling* Paragraph 3 of the Director-General's Letter of Appointment, which provides that the Director-General is bound to, among other things:

- *"undertake [his] duties and responsibilities with a view to achieving the purpose and objectives of GGGI rather than personal concerns, and will comply with and respect the Code of Conduct and the principles expressed therein"; and*
- *"devote [him]self to the activities of GGGI on a full-time basis and dissociate [him]self from any other public or private position that [he] may hold, unless prior written approval has been given by the Chair of the Council in the interest of GGGI",*

*Further recalling* the Code of Conduct, whose relevant provisions provide the principle to be followed in relation to prior authorization being required for a GGGI staff member to hold an office or engage in occupations, whether remunerated or not, outside their employment duties with the Institute, that:

- *"47. The request for authorization must disclose the nature and scope of the proposed activity or employment, whether any honorarium or other compensation will be received and, if so, the amount(s) involved.*
- *48. Authorization shall not be granted when the Director-General finds that the proposed outside employment or activity would be incompatible with the status and/or obligations of the individual concerned, or with the interests or objectives of the GGGI.",*

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*Noting* that the Technology Bank aims to assist the world's poorest countries in building their national and regional capacities in the areas of intellectual property rights and technology related policies which is a longstanding priority of the LDCs reaffirmed in Sustainable Development Goal 17, and that the Institute is of the view that accepting the said invitation for the Director-General of the Institute to serve on the Council of the Technology Bank is not incompatible with the Director-General's status or duties and responsibilities and is not incompatible with the interests or objectives of the Institute,

*Further noting* that the said invitation letter clearly states members of the Council of the Technology Bank are not entitled to receive any form of pecuniary remuneration from the United Nations, other than travel and daily subsistence costs for participating in meetings under and in accordance with the applicable United Nations rules,

*Decides* to approve the Director-General to serve on the Council of the Technology Bank for the term specified.

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