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The Assembly and the Council Written Procedure Dec 3, 2018

Decision on the Summary of the Seventh Session of the Assembly and Eleventh Session of the Council (Joint Session)

The Assembly and the Council,

Recalling the Seventh Session of the Assembly and Eleventh Session of the Council (Joint Session) that took place on October 31, 2018, in Seoul, Republic of Korea;

Further recalling Rule 17 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly [A/4/DC/2/FINAL] and Rule 19 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council [C/8/DC/2/FINAL] relating to decisions by written procedure;

Approves the Summary of the Seventh Session of the Assembly and Eleventh Session of the Council (Joint Session), as attached in Annex 1.

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Summary of the Seventh Session of the Assembly and Eleventh Session of the Council (Joint Session)

Opening of the Meeting

- 1. The Seventh Session of the Assembly and Eleventh Session of the Council (Joint Session) was attended by representatives from the following Member countries: Australia, Cambodia, Costa Rica, Denmark, Fiji, Hungary, Indonesia, Jordan, Kiribati, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Mongolia, Norway, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Senegal, Tonga, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, Vanuatu, Viet Nam; and representatives from the following Observer countries: Burkina Faso, Chile, Colombia, Cote d'Ivoire, Ecuador, Morocco, Mozambique, Sri Lanka, Tunisia, Uganda, United States of America and Zambia.
- 2. The meeting was chaired by Mr. Ban Ki-Moon, President of the Assembly and Chair of the Council.
- 3. Annex 2 provides the list of participants.
- 4. Annex 3 provides the list of sessional documents.

Adoption of Agenda Items

- 5. Delegates adopted the Agenda as contained in [A/2018/AG/1 C/2018/AG/1], circulated by the Institute on October 1, 2018.
- 6. The President of the Assembly and Chair of the Council, Mr. Ban Ki-Moon, delivered a vision statement*, in which he outlined three priority areas he would contribute to: firstly, to give momentum to the Institute as it helps partner governments implement the Paris Agreement commitments and achieve their Sustainable Development Goals; secondly, to ensure that the Institute would always remember its vision and mandate to be both environmentally sustainable and socially inclusive and therefore never neglect the most vulnerable people; and thirdly, to help bring greater peace and prosperity to the Korean Peninsula by introducing the green growth model of development to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. The President of the Assembly and Chair of the Council further pledged to do everything in his power to build on his legacy at the United Nations to ensure a sustainable future for all.
- 7. Delegates expressed their appreciation to the President of the Assembly and Chair of the Council, acknowledged the progress the Institute was making and promised their continuing support. In particular, the United Arab Emirates pledged to contribute USD 4.5 million over the next three years and the United Kingdom pledged GBP 4 million in financial contribution to the Institute.

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^{*} Full text is contained in Annex 4.

Report of the Management and Program Sub Sub-Committee

- 8. Mr. Atle Hamar, Vice Minister, Ministry of Climate and Environment of Norway, as Chair of the Management and Program Sub-Committee (MPSC), presented a report on the work of the MPSC, providing an overview of the discussions held during the Seventh Meeting held in April 2018 and the Eighth Meeting held in July 2018.
- 9. It was noted that the key issues discussed by the Members of the MPSC included: (1) updates on the Work Program and Budget for 2017-2018, taking stock of the results and progress made; (2) development of a new Work Program and Budget 2019-2020, including discussions on the changing financial base with increasing earmarked resources, membership expansion activities and a new definition of vulnerable countries; (3) Updates on the work of the Office of Thought Leadership and the Green Growth Knowledge Platform (GGKP) and (4) review of the GGGI overhead costs.
- 10. Delegates expressed appreciation to the Chair of MPSC, Norway, for leading the important governance body providing key inputs to the Council to ensure transparency and good management of the Institute's funds. Delegates underscored the importance of the Institute sharing information on its internal processes and evaluation by government agencies, and in this regard called for further engagement with the Audit Contact Points.
- 11. Delegates also expressed support for the further lowering of overhead costs and expressed appreciation for the Institute's willingness to engage actively with Members on issues such as the reclassification of vulnerable countries.
- 12. <u>The Council took note of the summaries of the Seventh Meeting and the Eighth Meeting of the MPSC.</u>

Director-General's Progress Report

- 13. The Director-General presented an overview of his Progress Report on the work of the Institute, highlighting some of the opportunities found and successes in promoting renewable energy, accessing green and climate finance and in leveraging partnerships with the Green Climate Fund (GCF) and other private sector investors.
- 14. The Director-General proposed for the Institute to stay on a similar strategic direction for the next biennium, to continue to provide policy advisory support to the Members, to assist in gaining access to climate finance, and building upon new and existing partnerships with other international organizations and the private sector to further demonstrate that green growth is indeed an effective way of addressing the climate change and sustainable development challenges. The Institute will also undertake further institutional reforms to make the organization nimbler, including by decentralizing to country operations and expanding the financial base by sourcing further earmarked resources.

- 15. Delegates commended the achievements and progress made by the Institute and recognized the efforts of the Director-General in steering the Institute in the right direction. Delegates also recognized that the Institute is making significant efforts to achieve a stable funding structure and reforming its internal business practices to become a more efficient and effective organization with a strong pipeline of projects.
- 16. Delegates agreed that GGGI should stay on course and continue to deliver tangible results on the ground, including by developing bankable projects and supporting countries to access green and climate financing. Delegates also underscored the importance of partnerships and called upon the Institute to further engage with private sector partners.
- 17. <u>Delegates commended the achievements and progress made by the Institute and took note of the Director-General's Progress Report.</u>

Report on Programs and Operations

- 18. The Institute provided an overview of the progress made in its operations in the field. It was highlighted that in 2018, there were 45 policy advisory assignments completed, with 25 more expected to be concluded by the end of the year. This has led to the adoption of 17 policies, with 15 more expected to be adopted by the end of 2018. It was noted that this result is significantly more than assignments completed in 2017. Delegates heard examples of some of the key success stories achieved on the ground, including in Jordan, Rwanda, Senegal, Nepal, the Philippines, Myanmar, Thailand, Colombia and the United Arab Emirates.
- 19. The Institute also noted the recent opening of regional offices, in Addis Ababa for the African region and in Mexico City for the Latin American region, which would provide the base for further strengthening of the activities and engagement in the respective regions. The Institute also requested those Members and Partner countries where GGGI staff were operating to accelerate domestic processes to complete a Host Country Agreement, which is essential to provide the legal basis for GGGI to operate legally in the country.
- 20. The Institute further presented its results on the investments and finance mobilized, noting that GGGI is working to increase and accelerate flows to the developing countries by linking with private sector investors that are looking to make investments in infrastructure and long-term safe returns that lead to sustainable economies. It was noted that GGGI is employing a new business model to develop its pipeline of bankable projects by embedding investment specialists within country operations who would work together with policy experts that understand the market and the policy framework. The team is expanding to have investment specialists in about 10 countries.
- 21. The Institute further noted that it was on track to meet its target of mobilizing USD 500 million this year, with more than USD 400 million already in the portfolio and a healthy pipeline of projects to meet this target. GGGI is also developing strong

- partnerships with other international organizations to create synergies, including by working with the GCF, multilateral development banks such as the AfDB, ADB, AIIB, UN bodies and agencies as well as with new initiatives like WGEO.
- 22. Delegates commended the achievements made by the Institute and noted that it was expanding in a strategic way and making more impact internationally. Delegates expressed appreciation for the Institute's policy advisory support and looked forward to further collaboration, while also requesting to consider providing support to operationalize and implement the policies adopted, as well as for capacity building.
- 23. Delegates noted the importance for the Institute to periodically or regularly update and share a list of projects, country programs and policy advisory assignments with Members, especially with Contributing Members.
- 24. Delegates also suggested that programs should be designed with supporting Member countries' achievement of the Paris Agreement and the Sustainable Development Goals in mind, which in turn would draw attention by the international community in the Institute's work and activities.
- 25. Delegates took note of the updates on the Institute's programs and operations.

Private Sector Engagement

- 26. The Institute presented an overview of its engagement with the private sector partners, noting the 15 cases of private sector engagement sharing the lessons learned, the entry points and how the Institute was able to engage these partners. It was underscored that the projects came with very different sets of circumstances and every case required different business models and presented different lessons to be learned. The Institute would continue to engage with a diverse range of private sector partners as part of the learning process to improve upon its engagement procedures.
- 27. Delegates welcomed the increase in private sector engagements, noting that Public-Private Partnerships is essential to achieving the Paris Agreement and the Sustainable Development Goals. Delegates encouraged the Institute to provide information on the outcome of the projects to see whether it would be replicable and also called upon the Institute to continue to further develop the report to build in results as they become available and to report annually.
- 28. Delegates also shared their difficulties in engaging with the private sector, particularly in the Lao PDR where energy companies often present proposals that do not meet the cost effectiveness requirements and expect the government to provide subsidies. It was suggested that GGGI could provide support in this regard.
- 29. Delegates took note of the updates in the private sector engagements.

Update on the Green Growth Index and Campaign

- 30. The Institute made a presentation on the improvements that had been made to the Green Growth Performance Measurement (GGPM) project, including by undertaking a stepwise approach on concept building, empirical application, robustness check and presentation, while conducting a consultative process of engaging international and regional experts. Regional workshops had been held, with a final meeting expected in December 2018, where international experts have provided feedback to further improve upon the Green Growth Index.
- 31. The Institute also presented on the Green Growth 2030 Campaign, which would be a larger effort to promote awareness of green growth and the work of the Institute. The Campaign would consist of 3 parts: (1) State of Green Growth Report, planned as a flagship publication for GGGI that includes the Green Growth Index; (2) Global Green Growth Week 2019, that would also serve as a platform to launch the Campaign; and (3) Green Growth Champions, which would be a select group of eminent persons advocating for green growth and the Institute.
- 32. Delegates commended the consultations held and the participatory approach employed to finetune the Green Growth Index but also expressed some concerns about the usefulness and application of the Index. Delegates also suggested that the Index should be provided in a manner that Members and stakeholders could easily understand and use, with a suggestion to launch the Index on a web-based platform for wider utilization.
- 33. Delegates expressed some concerns on the proposed State of Green Growth Report, noting the difficulty of establishing a flagship publication. Delegates called upon the Institute to ensure that the Report, and the Campaign generally, should be structured around the Institute's work and showcase its achievements on the ground rather than duplicating similar reports produced by other organizations.
- 34. Delegates underscored that the Campaign should be good value for money; to which the Institute clarified that the opportunity to co-locate the Global Green Growth Week 2019 with IREC (International Renewable Energy Conference) 2019, scheduled to be held on October 23-26, 2019 in Seoul, presents an excellent opportunity to convene a meeting with almost none or little cost to the Institute for the meeting venue and with overlaps in attendees to convene relevant meetings and side events.
- 35. Delegates took note of the activities and consultations conducted to improve upon the Green Growth Performance Measurement (GGPM) framework, and called upon the Institute to continue its work, particularly on further developing the Green Growth Index and publishing the Index starting in 2019.
- 36. Delegates further took note of the updated concept note on the Global Green Growth Campaign 2030 and called upon the Institute to publish the first proposed flagship report in 2019.

- 37. The Institute presented an update on its membership expansion activities, noting the increasing interest in the Institute as a result of the efforts of the new President of the Assembly and Chair of the Council in his outreach to other Heads of States/Governments to raise awareness of GGGI. The Institute highlighted how it has grown since its establishment in 2012 to almost 30 Member in 2018 and the many more countries and organizations that are currently on the pathway to becoming Members of the Institute.
- 38. The Institute noted that the principles governing membership expansion included likemindedness and a commitment to green growth, mutual benefit and willingness to contribute to knowledge sharing, as well as geographical balance and income status of the Members. Membership expansion activities will be driven by the following criteria: where there is a demand by the government; where GGGI could add most value, especially those countries highly vulnerable to impacts of climate change or who would otherwise find it difficult to access climate finance without assistance; and where there is opportunities to fund programmatic engagements not only in core but earmarked resources, in order not to overstretch the Institute's resources.
- 39. Delegates noted the need for GGGI to expand but also cautioned against spreading resources too thin and to further focus on delivery of impact in existing programs. Delegates suggested strategic expansion to bring in major regional integration bodies such as the European Union and additional donors.
- 40. Delegates noted the importance of close cooperation between Members and the Institute on membership expansion so Members can assist the Institute where possible to invite potential donor countries to consider membership.
- 41. The representative of Ecuador reiterated the decision taken by the Ecuadorian government to join the Institute and looked forward to further collaboration with the Institute.
- 42. <u>Delegates took note of the updates on the Institute's membership expansion activities.</u>

Revised Disclosure Policy

- 43. The Institute provided an overview of the proposed revisions to the Disclosure Policy, underscoring its commitment to promote transparency through a range of actions. The Institute had started providing project-level results reporting since 2016; the GGGI website was refreshed to improve user accessibility; and will undertake IATI (International Aid Transparency Initiative) reporting from 2018, which requires information on GGGI programs to be presented in a standard format uniform to other development organizations.
- 44. The Institute noted that in response to discussions and recommendations made by the MPSC, it conducted a comparative study between the GGGI Disclosure Policy with those of AIIB, IRENA, UNDP, WB and proposed to revise the Disclosure Policy to further enhance the procedures in improving transparency in the Institute's work.

- 45. The representative of the United Kingdom welcomed IATI reporting and project-level documents.
- 46. The Council decided to approve the Draft "Decision on the Disclosure Policy" [C/2018/DC/8].

GGGI Staff Council

- 47. The GGGI Staff Council, represented by its Chairperson, showcased the activities and achievements in 2017-2018. The key progress made included the revisions to the GGGI Staff Rules and Regulations to include improved provisions for learning and development, more clarity on staff compensation and benefits, improved paternity, maternity and surrogacy leave, increased compensatory leave and flexible working arrangements. Other achievements included a respectful workplace initiative that saw the hiring of an external ombudsperson, a gender pay gap analysis and the establishment of the Position Evaluation Committee to ensure improved job design.
- 48. The Staff Council noted that its priorities for 2019 included making improvements to the staff rotation and redeployment process, increasing female representation in senior positions, strengthening HR planning and contracting practices in response to the Institute's changing business model from a mainly core funded structure to one with increased earmarked funding, as well as to promote workplace diversity. It was also noted that the Staff Council would continue to improve on its engagement and communication with the staff and management.
- 49. The representative of the Republic of Korea commended the efforts of the Staff Council to improve working conditions for staff and emphasized that principles such as transparency, fairness, diversity, efficiency and productivity, and accountability should be considered in conducting its activities. It was also noted that GGGI was envisioned as a hybrid organization that possesses the dynamism, vitality and effectiveness of the private sector and not an intergovernmental bureaucracy that is slow in responding to requests from Members.
- 50. In response to increasing female representation in senior roles, the representative of Australia made an offer to share their experience on the DFAT "Women in Leadership" strategy, which is a range of actions to support women's career advancement and an inclusive culture.
- 51. Delegates took note of the updates on the activities of the GGGI Staff Council.

Work Program and Budget 2019-2020

- 52. The Institute provided an outline of the proposed Work Program and Budget (WPB) for the biennium 2019-2020. It was noted that the WPB includes a green finance target of USD 600 million and USD 700 million for 2019 and 2020 respectively, and a target of 30 policy assignments completed with 20 policies adopted. The Institute will also target to originate at least 60 investment project ideas and complete at least 20 deals with a total value of at least USD 600 million. The Institute will endeavor to enhance its financial sustainability by mobilizing at least USD 60 million in earmarked projects and build strategic partnerships with 6 potential new donors. The Institute proposed 2 scenarios for the budget, a base case projecting USD 11.89 million and a plus case, with more earmarked resources, totaling USD 137.64 million. The Institute would continue to undertake institutional reforms and development to increase its efficiency and effectiveness, including by investing in project management systems. The Institute anticipates more new members in the next biennium, with at least 5 countries that are in the advanced stages of its ratification process and corresponding expansion of country program operations.
- 53. The Institute also presented its plans for its programmatic and non-programmatic operations, noting that GGGI will continue to focus on the four thematic areas of sustainable energy, water and sanitation, sustainable landscapes and green cities, providing integrated solutions combined with advice from the Office of Thought Leadership and Safeguards, Poverty Reduction and Social Inclusion experts. The Institute will also make further efforts to integrate values, behaviors and change communications to build a stronger GGGI to deliver a greater impact.
- 54. Delegates expressed broad support for the draft WPB presented, agreeing with the proposals contained therein to continue working across the four thematic sectors while urging for alignment with the Sustainable Development Goals in designing of programs. Delegates also welcomed that the Institute expects to receive similar levels of resources for the next biennium.
- 55. Delegates sought more information on an 'exit strategy' for the Institute to leave a country operation; how projects would be developed for the WGEO partnership; and how to mitigate the risks in budgeting as the Institute shifts to a financial model with increasing earmarked funds. The Institute noted that it is yet to formulate a concrete exit strategy and would revert to Members with proposals; the Institute would continue to develop project proposals with Members States and present such proposals to WGEO, which would in turn provide USD 300,000 in project preparation fee for those projects selected; and that there are improved systems and management processes being put in, including a project management system and timesheets to better account for staff hours and other resources, in order to mitigate the risks in budgeting.
- 56. Delegates requested the Institute to continue demonstrating real results on the ground, those that bring direct benefits to the people and improving livelihoods, creating green jobs and building climate resilience, underscoring that this is should be the main focus of the Institute's work.

57. The Council decided to approve the Draft "Decision on the Work Program and Budget for the biennium 2019-2020" [C/2018/DC/9].

Note on Development of Strategic Plan 2020-2030

- 58. The Institute made a presentation on the development of the GGGI Strategy 2030, seeking for views and guidance on the timeline, scope, stakeholder engagement and resources. The Institute presented two approaches, firstly, approach A which would require the completion of the development of the 10-year strategy for approval by the Council at its next meeting in October 2019; and secondly, approach B, which is a two-year approach that will allow an additional eight months to dive deeper into national consultations to present the strategy in the year 2020.
- 59. Delegates expressed a unanimous preference for approach A, noting the innovative and fast-moving landscape that the Institute operates in, but at the same time urged for a deep stakeholder analysis to engage all the right stakeholders and to conduct an inclusive consultations process within the given timeframe. Members stressed the need to actively engage the Council Members and the MPSC in this regard.
- 60. Delegates suggested the consideration of emerging megatrends including ecotourism, circular economy and the impact of technology and industry 4.0; as well as to engage emerging global initiatives such as the P4G. Delegates further suggested that the strategy formulated should be a general one in line with the Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Agreement, which would allow for Member countries to determine their own national strategies.
- 61. The Council called upon the Institute to implement Approach A, to develop Year 2030 overall 10-year vision and 5-year strategic action plan with specific KPIs by October 2019.

Effective and Inclusive Governance Organs

- (a) Election of Members to Serve on the Council for the Period January 1, 2019 December 31, 2020
- 62. The Institute made a presentation on the applicable rules pertaining to the Election of the Members to the Council for the period January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2020, noting that there were 8 Members whose terms are ending as of December 31, 2018. The Institute also provided an update on the informal consultations held with Members.
- 63. The representatives of the United Arab Emirates, Indonesia, Australia, Senegal, Rwanda and Costa Rica expressed their interests to continue serving on the Council.

- 64. The Institute made a proposal to continue consultations with Members, taking into account the absence of the representative of Ethiopia, one of the Members whose terms are ending on December 31, 2018.
- 65. The Assembly called upon the Institute to continue consultations with the Members with a view to electing, through written procedure, the 8 Members of the Council whose terms will begin on January 1, 2019.
- (b) Appointment of Expert/Non-State Actors to Serve on the Council for the Period January 1, 2019 December 31, 2020
- 66. The Institute made a presentation on the applicable rules in the appointment of the Expert/Non-State Actor Members of the Council, noting that there were four vacancies to be filled as of January 1, 2019 for a term of two years. Delegates were informed that Dr. Lee Hoe-Sung and Mr. Mark Watts, who are serving their second terms were not eligible for re-appointment, while Ms. Inger Andersen, who is serving her first term, was eligible for re-appointment and had expressed her availability and willingness to continue on the Council for a second term.
- 67. The Institute also provided an update on the informal consultations held with Members, noting that the consultations were inconclusive.
- 68. The Council decided to reappoint Ms. Inger Andersen, Director General, International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN), for the period January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2020.
- 69. The Members called upon the Institute to continue consultations with a view to filling the remaining three vacancies for the period January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2020.

(c) Provisional Dates for the 2019 Sessions of the Governance Organs

- 70. The Institute made a presentation on the proposed schedule of Governance organ meetings to be held in 2019. For the Management and Program Sub-Committee (MPSC), the Ninth Meeting was proposed to be convened in late April 2019, and the Tenth Meeting, if deemed necessary by the Members, was proposed to be convened in July 2019. For the next Assembly and Council Joint Session, the Institute proposed convening the Joint Session during the Global Green Growth Week 2019 (GGGW2019). GGGW2019 was proposed to be co-located with the International Renewable Energy Conference (IREC 2019), tentatively scheduled to be held on October 23-26, 2019 in Seoul, Republic of Korea.
- 71. On the proposal to convene the GGGW2019 alongside IREC 2019, the Institute further explained that initial consultations had been held with the Korean Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy (MOTIE) and the Seoul Metropolitan Government, for the provision of meeting facilities and programming options for the week. The Institute reiterated that it would be possible to convene the GGGW2019 with little or no extra cost, building on the arrangements for the IREC 2019 and the Assembly and Council Joint Session.

72. Members called upon the Institute to take note of the comments made when finalizing the schedule of 2019 sessions of the governance organs and the Global Green Growth Week 2019.

Any Other Business

- 1. The representative of Hungary made a statement to convey a decision by the Hungarian Government to continue providing in-kind support to the GGGI staff located in Budapest, to establish a European presence as well as to continue the current work in supporting green growth in the Western Balkans region.
- 2. In response, the Institute noted that its European presence office in London was closed recently, due to the associated costs and in part due to the inability to conclude a Host Country Agreement with the United Kingdom. The Budapest office, as the new European presence, would continue to support program development in partnership with the Hungarian government and support liaison with other Members and partners in Europe and the European Union.
- 3. Delegates viewed a video on the Vanuatu Story of Change.

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Annex 2: List of Participants

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Annex 3: List of Sessional Documents

A/2018/AG/1 – C/2018/AG/1	Agenda for the Seventh Session of the Assembly and Eleventh Session of the Council (Joint Session)
MPSC/2018/18	Summary of the Seventh Meeting of the Management and Program Sub-Committee
MPSC/2018/22	Summary of the Eighth Meeting of the Management and Program Sub-Committee
A/2018/1	Note on the Election of Members to Serve on the Council for the Period January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2020
C/2018/1	Note on the Appointment of Experts and Non-State Actors to Serve on the Council for the Period January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2020
A/2018/2 - C/2018/2	Director-General's Progress Report 2018
A/2018/3 - C/2018/3	Programmatic Progress Update
A/2018/4 - C/2018/4	Overview on GGGI Private Sector Engagements
A/2018/5 - C/2018/5	Green Growth Performance Measurement (GGPM) Concept and Methods
A/2018/6 - C/2018/6	Global Green Growth 2030 Campaign Concept Note
A/2018/7 – C/2018/7/REV*	Update on Accession *revised to include developments between the circulation of documents and the Assembly and Council Joint Session
A/2018/8 - C/2018/8	Enhancing GGGI's Transparency: Review of the Disclosure Policy
C/2018/DC/8	Decision on the Disclosure Policy
A/2018/9 - C/2018/9	Progress Update by the Staff Council
A/2018/10 - C/2018/10	Draft Work Program and Budget 2019-2020
C/2018/DC/9	Decision on the Work Program and Budget for the Period January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2020
A/2018/11 - C/2018/11	Concept Note on Development of GGGI Year 2030 Strategy
A/2018/12 - C/2018/12	Provisional Schedule for the 2019 Sessions of the Governance Organs

Annex 4: Vision Statement by the President of the Assembly and Chair of the Council (verbatim)

Excellencies, Ministers, Distinguished delegates, Ambassadors, Director-General Frank Rijsberman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

This is my first year as the President of the Assembly and Chair of the Council, and I am honored to convene and chair my first Joint Session of such distinguished Members of the Assembly and Council.

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you my vision about the future of GGGI. As you know well by now, only a few weeks ago, the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, the chair of which is Dr. Lee Hoe-Sung—a non-state actor member of the Council—reconfirmed once again this very simple message: take action now to address global warming or risk causing irreversible damage to the only planet we have.

This is the message I have been sending out all the time during my time as Secretary-General and as former Secretary-General of the United Nations on the urgency of taking action.

At my inauguration reception at the start of this year, I delivered my first address as the Institute's President and Chair, in which I laid out three priority areas and how I would like to contribute: first, give momentum to GGGI as it helps partner governments implement their Paris Agreement commitments and achieve their Sustainable Development Goals; second, ensure that GGGI will always remember its vision and mandate to be both environmentally sustainable and socially inclusive and therefore never neglect the most vulnerable people; and third, help bring greater peace and prosperity by waving the flag of green growth to the entire Korean peninsula which claims some of the world's most vulnerable people as its residents.

Ladies and gentlemen, I believe these are still very relevant today.

The Mission and work of the Institute is a very good cause. If we do not have a sustainable future, if we neglect those who are vulnerable, then we, as a global community, will fail. Since I iterated these three priorities, North Korea has started experiencing a détente with the rest of the global community. With some luck and wise planning, I hope GGGI can seize the momentum to introduce the green growth model to all of the Korean Peninsula, particularly North Korea, and foster an age of greater peace and stability to the region.

Let us show people that together we can tackle these challenges, that GGGI can help them implement their Paris Climate Change Agreement commitments and achieve their SDGs, and that it will help the most vulnerable groups, including the most isolated ones.

I am proud to continue with GGGI what I started at the United Nations twelve years ago, and I intend to do everything in my power to build on my legacy at the United Nations for a sustainable future for all. I hope you will join forces with me and the Institute.

I thank you very much for your attention.