REVIEW OF DRAFT
GFDRR CHARTER

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WHY AND WHY NOW?

Simplification and Streamlining:
Charter to reflect GFDRR’s operational experience and lessons learned since its inception in 2006

Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030:
Charter to include external developments in international policy

The way GFDRR operates has evolved:
New Trust Fund, work planning, prioritization of resources and activities, stronger reporting and M&E system
Consultative Process:

- **Discussion Note**
  - Fall 2014 CG

- **Updated Discussion Note**
  - December 2014

- **Draft Charter & Updated Discussion Note**
  - 16th CG, May 2015

- **Charter and Discussion Note for CG approval**

- **16th CG, Oct 2015**
Background and Mission

**Background**

- Explains how GFDRR was established
- Provides institutional memory

**Mission**

- Aligned with and in support of the Sendai Framework
- GFDRR’s Pillars of Action are not included in the Charter, as the overall results framework is presented and reviewed via the annual work planning process and Annual Report.
Mission

A. Aligned with the Sendai Framework

- GFDRR’s mission supports the Sendai’s Framework Goal, which is to:

  “prevent new and reduce existing disaster risk through the implementation of integrated and inclusive economic, structural, legal, social, health, cultural, educational, environmental, technological, political and institutional measures that prevent and reduce hazard exposure and vulnerability to disaster, increase preparedness for response and recovery, and thus strengthen resilience.”

- GFDRR supports this mission by:
  i. Coordinating and scaling up technical and financial assistance
  ii. Strengthening global, regional, and country partnerships

- GFDRR’s operating principles have been updated following the guiding principles of the Sendai Framework
**Mission**

**B. Operating Principles**

1. Targeting countries with high **exposure and vulnerability** to disaster and climate hazards.
2. Responding to countries’ **commitment to and demand** for building resilience.
3. Supporting **coherent policies** across sustainable development agendas.
4. Integrating gender, disability, age, and other social vulnerability dimensions to **promote equity**.
5. Promoting **coordination and collaboration**.
6. Demonstrating the **potential to leverage**.
7. **Preventing and mitigating undue harm** to people and their environment.
Program Structure

A. Organization

Track 1
UNISDR grant funding for global and regional partnerships

Track 2
Ex ante support for mainstreaming DRM

Track 3
Ex-post disaster resilient recovery and reconstruction

NEW

Country Programs
Activities that promote the mainstreaming of disaster risk management and climate change adaptation in country development strategies, national adaptation plans, and investment programs.

Thematic Programs
Technical support, capacity, and knowledge development in specialized areas of disaster risk management and climate change adaptation.

Special Programs
Dedicated programs supported separately by one or several donors that target specific priorities.
B. Trust Fund Architecture

- **Multi-Donor Trust Fund (GFDRR’s MDTF)**: Fund activities falling within the GFDRR Work Plan, including support for GFDRR governance, partnerships, and trust fund management.

- **Callable Fund**: Support recovery and reconstruction activities following a disaster.

- **Single Donor Trust Funds**: Support to a Special Program according to specific preferences, requirements, and supplemental governance arrangements as agreed to with the single contributing member.
After consideration of the role of the principal operational documents of GFDRR (i.e., work plan and annual report), the Secretariat proposes to:

- Remove reference to the Pillars in the Charter
- Present its overall results framework via the annual work planning process.
- Track progress in contributing to the implementation of the Sendai Framework via its Annual Report and monitoring and evaluation activities.
Governance Structure

A. Consultative Group
   - Members
     - Chair
     - Co-Chair
   - Observers

B. Secretariat

C. Trustee
Governance Structure

Consultative Group Members may include:

- The World Bank.
- United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR).
- Countries, international organizations, international financial institutions, and UN agencies.
- Developing countries.
- Low income countries, recipients of GFDRR support.
- Other countries or entities, due to exceptional cases.
Governance

Membership Contributions

- Applicable to:
  - Countries, international organizations, international financial institutions, and UN agencies contributing at least $3M over 3yrs.
  - Developing countries contributing at least $0.5M over 3 yrs.
Governance

Non-contributing Members

- **Low income countries**, recipients of GFDRR support, for one year term.
  - Membership is renewable
  - No limit to number of non-contributing members
Paragraph 12 (vi) makes considerations for exceptional cases of countries or entities:

- Per recommendation of the Secretariat
- Approved by the Consultative Group

An infrequent, but useful mechanism for allowing the membership of:

- Donors with administrative or regulatory constraints towards contributing to the MDTF
- Donors contributing into Special Programs.
Consultative Group **Observers** can include:

- Former and prospective Members.
- Intergovernmental organizations, international financial institutions, and UN agencies
- Developing countries.
- Civil society representatives.
- Private sector representatives.
- Private Foundations.
- Donors whose contribution is below the membership threshold.
Governance

Advisory Groups:

- May be created:
  - Per recommendation of the Secretariat
  - After approval from the CG

- Composition and terms of reference of advisory groups to be defined by the CG for each initiative, program or theme at the time of approval.
General

- New section introducing regulatory elements related to amendments.
- For operational continuity, further amendments applicable to AA’s without the need to amend the AA’s.
Thank You!