



World Business Council for  
Sustainable Development

## Self-Selection Process for Private Sector Observers to the Climate Investment Funds

### **Forest Investment Program (FIP) Trust Fund sub-committee**

The World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) is designing and facilitating the self-selection process for **private sector observers** to the Forest Investment Program (FIP) Trust Fund sub-committee. Two observers plus two alternates are being sought.

#### **Background**

The Climate Investment Funds (CIF) are designed to support low-carbon and climate-resilient development through scaled-up financing channeled through the African Development Bank, Asian Development Bank, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Inter-American Development Bank, and World Bank Group. The CIF includes the Clean Technology Fund (CTF) and the Strategic Climate Fund (SCF), which has three programs: the Pilot Program for Climate Resilience (PPCR), the Forest Investment Program (FIP) and Scaling-up renewable energy program in low-income countries (SREP).

The WBCSD is facilitating the self-selection of private sector observers to these Funds. Further background and information on the selection process for the CTF, SCF and PPCR may be found at [www.wbcd.org/web/CIF.htm](http://www.wbcd.org/web/CIF.htm). The Call for application for the SREP will be announced shortly.

The self-selection process is directed at business associations to facilitate the broadest possible representation of the business community in the meetings based on the [guidelines for inviting representatives of civil society to observe meetings](#).

#### **Role of the Advisory Board**

To ensure transparency in the design and implementation of the self-selection process, an Advisory Board has been created. The [Advisory Board](#) is comprised of recognized forest and climate change experts, who have been selected through consultations with the private sector, a broad range of stakeholders, the CIF Administrative Unit and the accredited UNFCCC business and industry organizations.

If your organization wishes to participate in this selection process and believes it can offer a candidate who complies with the criteria outlined in the **terms of reference of the FIP fund subcommittee**, please complete and return the application form to [climate@wbcd.org](mailto:climate@wbcd.org) before **5 January 2010**.



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#### FIP selection process timeline

- October 2009: The WBCSD was requested to prepare a self-selection process for private sector observers to the FIP.
- 1-20 November 2009: The WBCSD identified and invited a small group of recognized experts to join the Advisory Board.
- 25 November-5 December 2009: Advisory Board prepares the guidelines and criteria for the self-selection process.
- 5 December-5 January 2010: The call for applications is opened.
- 5-15 January 2010: The Advisory Board assesses and selects.
- 15 January 2010: The WBCSD communicates the decision of the Board to the CIF Administrative Unit and the applicants.
- 1 February 2010: FIP SC Meeting in Washington, DC.

The design and facilitation of the self-selection process for the Permanent Observer Seats has been done in consultation with those undertaking the [Civil society self-selection process](#) and the CIF Administrative Unit to ensure a transparent and fair process and continuity of criteria, timelines and processes.

The WBCSD will post the relevant documents for the self-selection process on this page, so please check for updates. Please contact WBCSD ([climate@wbcSD.org](mailto:climate@wbcSD.org)) with any questions or comments.

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