FINAL DECISIONS

BM.09/DEC.01: Ambassador Paul Foley of Australia, Japan, and New Zealand constituency is appointed as the Rapporteur of the 9th Board meeting.

BM.09/DEC.02: The agenda for the 9th Board meeting (BM.09/DOC.01) is approved.

BM.09/DEC.03: The Board notes the following change in its membership (each without signatory authority) since the 8th Board meeting:

a. Australia, Japan and New Zealand: Mr Daisuke Namioka is the Alternate Board Member;
b. Canada and United Kingdom: Ambassador Miriam Shearman replaces Ms Sue Breeze as the Board Member;
c. Canada and United Kingdom: Ms Michelle Cameron is the Alternate Board Member;
d. Civil Society: Ms Selena Victor is the Alternate Board Member;
e. European Union and France: Ambassador François Rivasseau is the Alternate Board Member;
f. Kenya (Horn of Africa, East and Southern Africa): Ambassador Cleopa Kilonzo Mailu replaces Ambassador Stephen Ndungu Karau as the Board Member;
g. Mali and Nigeria (West and Central Africa): Ambassador Mamadou Henri Konate is the Alternate Board Member;
h. Policy, Think and Do Tanks: Mr Eelco Kessels is the Alternate Board Member;
i. Private Sector: Mr Tam Robert Nguyen is the Alternate Board Member;
j. Switzerland: Mr Daniel Frank is the Alternate Board Member;
k. Tunisia (North Africa and Middle East): Mr Mokhtar Ben Nasr replaces Mr Hedi Mekni as the Board Member;
l. United States of America, the Netherlands and Norway: Mr Huib Mijnarends is the Alternate Board Member.

BM.09/DEC.04: The Board:

a. approves the appointment of the following experts to the international Independent Review Panel (IRP):
   1. ACHALEKE, Mr Christian Leke
   2. ROURE, Ms Maud

b. approves the extension of the present term of all nine current IRP members until 31.12.2019:
BM.09/DEC.05: The Board:

a. welcomes the National Application submitted by the Nigeria Country Support Mechanism ("CSM") and the recommendations and feedback provided by the Independent Review Panel ("IRP") as detailed in BM.09/DOC.05;

b. approves the National Application of the Nigeria CSM as presented in Annex 6 “Signed Nigeria National Application in full” of BM.09/DOC.05; subject to the recommendations and feedback provided by the Independent Review Panel ("IRP") as detailed in BM.09/DOC.05;

c. requests the Secretariat to proceed with the finalisation of grant agreements with the selected Potential Principal Recipients (“PPRs”) as described in Section 7 “Next Steps” in BM.09/DOC.05; and

d. authorises the Secretariat to enter into grant agreements with the selected PPRs as identified in BM.09/DOC.05 for a total of not more than USD 5 million.

BM.09/DEC.06: The Board:

a. approves an amount of up to USD 5 million to be invested to Bangladesh in accordance with the Board-approved 2019 budget and in line with the GCERF Country Strategy for Reinvestment in Bangladesh, and

b. authorises the Secretariat and CSM to commence grant making when at least USD 3 million of firm donor commitments can be allocated to this purpose.

BM.09/DEC.07: The Board:

a. approves an amount of up to USD 5 million to be invested to Mali in accordance with the Board-approved 2019 budget and in line with the GCERF Country Strategy for Reinvestment in Mali, and

b. authorises the Secretariat and CSM to commence grant making when at least USD 3 million of firm donor commitments can be allocated to this purpose.
BM.09/DEC.08 The Board:

a. reiterates the necessity to review the efficiency and cost-effectiveness of the organisation in the light of funding realities and a dynamic PVE context;

b. takes note of the proposals made regarding strategy implementation plans on strategy management, resource mobilisation, portfolio investment, governance, communications and branding, and corporate management;

c. looks forward to receiving the strategy management, portfolio management and governance plans for approval and other plans for information;

d. encourages the Executive Director to prioritise finalising and implementing these plans.

BM.09/DEC.09: The Board:

a. approves the 2019 budget as follows:
   - Revenue: USD 22.887m
   - Expenses, including grant commitments and operating expenses: USD 22.767m;

b. notes that one third of the proposed 2019 budget is funded; one third of the proposed 2019 budget is pledged; and one third of the proposed 2019 budget is unfunded at this time; and

c. the Board invites donors to confirm their pledges promptly and to identify further funding to ensure that the approved budget can be fully funded.

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Paul Foley Carol Bellamy
Rapporteur Chair