



Country: Guyana
Engagement Facility

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| Project Title: | Acceleration Facility |
| UN MSDF Outcomes 2,3 & 4: | Access to equitable social protection systems and quality services and sustainable economic opportunities improved; Inclusive and sustainable solutions for the conservation, restoration and use of ecosystems and natural resources; Equitable access to justice protection, citizens security and safety reinforced. |
| UNDP Strategic Plan Outcomes | (1) Advance Poverty Eradication in All its Forms and Dimensions and (2) Accelerate Structural Transformations for Sustainable Development |
| CP Expected Output(s): | National and subnational institutions, private sector and civil society capacities strengthened to deliver effective entrepreneur programmes to women, youth and Amerindians and develop related opportunities. Effective legal, policy and institutional frameworks in place for conservation and sustainable use of and access to natural resources. Capacity of Ministry of Natural Resources strengthened to monitor and enforce regulations in the oil and gas sector. Government and non-government institutions working on constitutional reform, fulfilment of human rights and local administration enabled for improved transparency, participation and effectiveness. Citizens have increased access to Government services through ICT at the national and subnational levels. |
| Expected Outputs: | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. CO positioned in new key programmatic areas2. Resources mobilised for the CO3. Support for acceleration of programme delivery provided |
| Executing Entity: | UNDP Guyana |
| Implementing Agency: | UNDP Guyana |

Brief Description

UNDP Guyana's work is guided by the 2017-2021 Country Programme. At this mid-point of the programme, it is required to jump-start a number of areas that are yet to see traction. Critical amongst these is support to the Oil and Gas sector. Concomitantly, resource mobilisation must be increased with pursuit of emerging opportunities for funding. Programme delivery requires acceleration through trouble shooting issues and supporting the removal of bottlenecks.

This Acceleration Facility will allow the Office to quickly deploy expertise to address new and emerging areas, increase resource mobilisation and address the deficits of programme delivery. In so doing the Facility will contribute to capacity building and knowledge transfer to internal staff as well as expand the depth and range of UNDP's offer as a trusted delivery partner and neutral broker.

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| Programme Period: 2017- 2021 | |
| Key Result Area (Strategic Plan): | Poverty and Sustainable Development |
| Atlas Award ID: | _____ |
| Engagement Facility Start date: | June 1, 2019 |
| Engagement Facility end date: | May 31, 2020 |
| PAC Meeting Date | _____ |
| Management Arrangements: Direct Implementation (DIM) | |

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| Total resources required | US\$150,000 |
| Total allocated resources | US\$150,000 |
| • Regular | US\$150,000 |
| • Other: | |
| o Donor | |
| o Donor | |
| o Donor | |
| Unfunded budget: | |
| In-kind Contributions: | |

Agreed by
UNDP:



Luca Renda, Resident Representative a.i.

June 1, 2019

I. PURPOSE

UNDP Guyana's work is guided by the 2017-2021 Country Programme. At this mid-point of the programme, it is realised that there are a number of areas that are yet to see traction. Critical amongst these is support to the Government of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana to monitor and enforce regulations in the Oil and Gas sector. The focal agency would be the Department of Energy which was established in 2018 with direct responsibility for the sector. The Department has requested UNDP's assistance in a number of areas based on expertise available. The Office is engaging in discussions to determine its response and must be supported by credible technical knowledge and skills.

The Country Office needs also to develop a robust pipeline and increase its resource mobilisation efforts. The preparation of quality proposals and concept notes in a timely manner in response to emerging opportunities is necessary. Already there are possibilities through several openings including the SDG Fund, Spotlight Initiative and Adaptation Fund that warrant submission of quality proposals and concept notes in a timely manner.

To enhance its viability, it is essential for the Office to accelerate programme delivery. This entails a troubleshooting of delivery issues to identify implementation bottle necks. Eliminating such obstacles would be advantaged by relevant capacity to for example review and strengthen processes such as procurement.

This Acceleration Facility will allow the Office to quickly deploy expertise to address these targeted areas. Foreseeable engagements include fielding of consultants/specialists, technical review of processes and hosting of workshops. In so doing the Facility will contribute to capacity building and knowledge transfer to internal staff as well as expand the depth and range of UNDP's offer as a trusted delivery partner and neutral broker.

II. EXPECTED OUTPUT

The ultimate objective is for the Country Office to fund consultancies and missions that will help with strategic positioning in key areas; develop project proposals for resource mobilization; and accelerate programme delivery.

III. MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

The Engagement Facility will be implemented by UNDP. The Project Manager will be the Business Development and Results Management Analyst. The UNDP Resident Representative a.i. will provide project assurance through oversight and guidance. UNDP policies and guidelines as described in the Programme and Operations Policies and Procedures (POPP) will be adhered to in the discharge of the Facility.

IV. MONITORING

In accordance with UNDP's programming policies and procedures, the Engagement Facility will be monitored through the following mechanisms:

Monitoring Plan

| Monitoring Activity | Purpose | Frequency | Expected Action |
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| Track results progress | Progress data against the results indicators will be collected and analysed to assess the pace of the project in achieving the agreed outputs. | Quarterly | Slower than expected progress will be addressed by project management. |
| Monitor and Manage Risk | Identify specific risks that may threaten achievement of intended results. Identify and monitor risk management actions using a risk log. | Quarterly | Risks are identified and suggestions proposed to so manage. |
| Progress Report | A final progress report will be prepared consisting of progress data showing the results achieved against pre-defined targets at the output level, an updated risk log with mitigation measures, and any evaluation or review reports prepared over the period. | At the end of the Engagement Facility | A Progress Report will be prepared at the end of the Engagement Facility, using the standard format available in the UN Executive Snapshot. |

WORK PLAN: JUNE 2019 TO MAY 2020

| EXPECTED OUTPUTS | PLANNED ACTIVITIES | TIMEFRAME | | | | RESPONSIBLE PARTY | PLANNED BUDGET | | |
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| | | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | | Funding Source | Budget Description | Amount (US\$) |
| Output 1: CO positioned in new key programmatic areas Baseline: 0 Indicators: number of new key areas to which CO contributes Targets: 1 GEN01 | 1. Technical assistance determined and provided for the following areas: - Oil and Gas | | | | | Management Support Assistant Business Development and Results Management Analyst | 71200 | International Consultant | 34,000 |
| | | | | | | | 71600 | Travel | 6,000 |
| Total Output 1 | | | | | | | | | 40,000 |

