

54<sup>th</sup> GEF Council Meeting  
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Da Nang, Viet Nam

Agenda Item 22

## **MEMBERSHIP OF THE ETHICS COMMITTEE**

**Recommended Council Decision**

The Council, having considered document GEF/C.54/12 approves the updated Membership of the Ethics Committee as follows:

- (a) Marita Olson, Sweden, to replace Mitchell Silk, United States, as Member of the Ethics Committee for the remainder of his term [Spring 2020].
- (b) Martha Cuba, Peru, to replace Jose Antonio Gonzalez Norris, Peru, as Member of the Committee, and also to serve as the new Chair of the Committee, for the remainder of his term [Spring 2019].

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1. The Council appointed Mr. Mitchell Silk, United States, and Mr Antonio Gonzalez Norris, Peru as Members of the Ethics Committee in November 2017. Since both persons are no longer serving on the Council, the Council must appoint their successors.

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## INTRODUCTION

1. At its 52nd Meeting in May 2017, the Council approved the following decision: The Council, having considered document GEF/C.52/04, *Proposed Policy on Ethics and Conflict of Interest for Council Members, Alternates, and Advisers*, approves the Policy as contained in Annex I and the Terms of Reference for the Ethics Committee as contained in Annex II.
2. The Council also approved the membership of the Ethics Committee.
  - (a) Peter Wisner, United States – Council Member, Chair of the Ethics Committee (3 years)
  - (b) Laura Camila Bermudez Wilches, Colombia – Council Member of the Constituency of Brazil, Colombia, and Ecuador (2 years)
  - (c) Josceline Wheatley, United Kingdom – Council Member (2 years)
  - (d) Rachna Ramsurn, Mauritius – Alternate Member of the Constituency of Comoros, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritius, Rwanda, Seychelles, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, and Uganda (3 years)
  - (e) Ayelen Maria Gheresi, Argentina – Alternate Member of the Constituency of Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay, Peru, and Uruguay (2 years)
3. At its 53<sup>rd</sup> Meeting in November 2017, the Council approved the updated membership of the Ethics Committee as proposed by the elected Co-Chair, as follows:
  - (a) Mitchell Silk, United States, to replace Peter Wisner, United States, as Member of the Ethics Committee for the remainder of the original term (3 years) of Mr. Wisner [Spring 2020].
  - (b) Jose Antonio Gonzalez Norris, Peru, to replace Ayelen Maria Gheresi, Argentina, as Member of the Committee, and also to serve as the new Chair of the Committee, for the remainder of the original term (2 years) of Ms. Gheresi [Spring 2019].
4. Mr. Silk and Mr. Gonzalez Norris are no longer serving on the Council. Therefore, it is necessary to appoint their successors.
5. Ms. Marita Olson, Council member for Sweden, has kindly accepted to become a member of the Ethics Committee for the remainder of the term of Mr. Silk.
6. Mrs. Martha Cuba, Alternate Council member for the Constituency of Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay, has kindly accepted to become a member of the Ethics Committee and to serve as its Chair, for the remainder of the term of Mr. Gonzalez Norris.