Green Climate Fund: Raising Ambition and Empowering Action

The Green Climate Fund (GCF) represents global commitment and solidarity to help raise and realise ambitions for transformative climate action in developing countries.

Partnership is at the heart of the GCF’s mandate. Today, a network of 88 Accredited Entities (AEs) span multilateral and national banks, international financial institutions, development finance institutions, UN agencies, conservation organisations, equity funds, government agencies, regional institutions, civil society organisations, and more. Since its inception, the GCF has recognised the importance of civil society participation. Currently, 281 Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) have been registered as observers to the Green Climate Fund. GCF’s Governing Instrument grants two CSOs the right to participate in its meetings as Active Observers, one each from a developed and developing country.

For GCF its engagement with civil society organisations is critical as they play a central role in voicing CSO’s interests and build awareness about the GCF at local and national levels. CSOs can also help raise GCF’s profile globally and shape public opinion contributing to strengthening overall support for GCF’s mandate and build a sense of collective responsibility to ensure that the international goals to combat climate change are addressed.

In this context, the briefing will provide an update on the outcomes of the UN Climate Action Summit for GCF focusing on the replenishment. Discussions will also cover how GCF and civil society networks could further promote efforts for an ambitious and successful replenishment. The briefing will also provide an opportunity for civil society representatives to voice their ideas on how to further strengthen GCF’s overall engagement with civil society moving forward.