

September 18th, 2018

To: Ms. Adriana Dinu

Executive Coordinator, UNDP-GEF United Nations Development Programme 304 East 45<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 982

New York, NY 10016, USA

United Nations Development Programme



Subject: Endorsement for project: "Towards joint management of the Pacific Central American Coastal Large Marine Ecosystem (PACA)"

In my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point for Panama, I confirm that the above project proposal (a) is in accordance with my government's national priorities and our commitment to the relevant global environmental conventions; and (b) was discussed with relevant stakeholders, including the global environmental convention focal points.

I am pleased to endorse the preparation of the above project proposal with the support of the GEF Agency listed below. If approved, the proposal will be prepared and implemented by United Nations Development Program (UNDP). I request the GEF Agency to provide a copy of the project document before it is submitted to the GEF Secretariat for CEO endorsement.

The total financing (from GEFTF) being requested for this project is US\$7,700,000, inclusive of project preparation grant (PPG), if any, and Agency fees for project cycle management services associated with the total GEF grant. The financing requested for Panama is detailed in the table below.

Source of Funds	GEF Agency	Focal Area	Amount (in US\$)			
			Project Preparation	Project	Fee	Total
GEFTF	UNDP	International Waters	154,338	6,877,626	668,036	7,700,000
Total GEF Resources			154,338	6,877,626	668,036	7,700,000

Sincerely.

Antonella Finis

Head of the International Technical Cooperation Office, a.i.

**GEF Operational Focal Point**