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## Short Report of the Meetings and Conclusion

### Topics Discussed:

- Establishment of the Global Mountain Facility (GMF): as a platform different from the existing funds facilities and programs, to specific funding actions linked to the mountains, with clear rules to access funds. Was discussed about who is responsible for its creation (MPS or ST, or both).
- Need for capacity building/training for fund raising: specifically about how to develop projects to apply for funding and what are the necessary management steps, also how to read calls and avoid wasting valuable time on proposals that are not within the priorities of the funders.
- About fund raising process: need for both advises and monitoring mechanisms to assess on how the fund raising process has performed each year.
  - Need for an overall Mountain Partnership (MP) strategy to address fund raising.
  - Need of national budget allocation: taking into account the specifications, needs and priorities of each country.
  - Need for strong involvement of governments: the role and intervention of focal point is crucial.
- Resource needs related to different expenses should be addressed with different approaches: for the coordination, for the administration, for the management and for project implementation.

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- Linking mountains and other socio-environmental issues: Mountain Partnership (MP) members should engage their governments to see if some funds that they receive for Climate Change, Biological Diversity, Desertification, and others, can be dedicated to Sustainable Mountain Development (SMD), taking into account the country's specificities needs and priorities.
- Management of funds and allocation: Mountain Partnership Secretariat (MPS) and the Steering Committee (SC) need to undertake the management for an equitable distribution among the different countries and members.
  - Need to be aware of when decisions about funds allocation are taken so to act timely.
- Need to establish National Committees with enough experience and multidisciplinary background.
  - Instill political will: Need to have a strong position to address Ministries.

### Any decisions made

- Invite more members to join the Resource Mobilization Working Group, especially donors, governments and inter-governmental organizations;
- Think about development of parallel actions in the short and long term;
- Ensure the same chances for Civil Society Organizations (CSO) members from countries who are not Mountain Partnership (MP) members;
- Stress the point of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) to attract private sectors;
- Build upon Mountain Partnership (MP) inter-governmental organizations to involve the governments;
- Try to involve private sector through the members, especially Non Governmental Organizations (NGO), with which they have already a relationship;
- Need of joint planning the advocacy and fund raising, since there is a lot of interconnection between both.

### Support expected from the MP Secretariat

- To stronger national and regional networks;
- To facilitate donor contacts for Mountain Partnership (MP) members who require funds;
- To facilitate the establishment of the Global Mountain Facility (GMF) (or similar) as soon as possible, to which the investors can contribute in order to support the Mountain Partnership (MP) and the Sustainable Mountain Development (SMD) projects;

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- To open a brainstorm on the entry point to ignite influential governments and invite them to participate;
- To inform members about available source of funding;
- To establish clear assessment criteria for the membership of donors and private sector organizations (companies);
- To establish a fundraising strategy and an accountability mechanism, through which secure the transparency and report to the Steering Committee (SC);
- Put forward the received funds so that members can apply for them to develop targeted projects;
- Ensure equal opportunity for allocation of funds, especially in the context of the Global Mountain Facility (GMF);
- Training support to fund raising proposals preparation allowing to know where the funds are and how to apply for them;
- Liaise with national focal points to be aware of how and when allocation of funds takes place;
- Support to the continuing of the Resource Mobilization Working Group and invite more members to join, especially donors.

### Follow-up actions

- Organize an event (i.e. related to the International Mountain Day (IMD) addressing the invitation to the private sector);
- Targeted campaign to extend Mountain Partnership with committed members, potential donors and private sector;
- Find the way to access to Global Climate Change Fund, European Union, among others, and assess if they can contribute to Global Mountain Facility (GMF);
- Find a focal point within UNFCCC for the Mountain Partnership;
- Move the resource mobilization and fund raising discussion forward and open it to other interested member.

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## Summary Table

Decisions	Parallel Actions	Follow-up actions	Support from the MPS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More members involved in this working group (donors)</li> </ul>	<b>Now</b>	<i>(internal communication)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Move this discussion forward <i>(communication)</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support the continuing of this working group.</li> <li>• Transparency by reporting to the SC (fund raising strategy and accountability)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joint planning advocacy and fund raising</li> <li>• Involve more countries by build on MP intergov. org.</li> <li>• Stress CSR to attract private sector</li> <li>• Involve private sector by the CSOs that already have relationship with them</li> </ul>	<b>Immediately (or short term)</b>	<i>(external communication)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Targeted campaign to extend MP</li> <li>• Organize events to invite private sector and donors</li> <li>• Find focal point within UNFCCC for MP <i>(and other conventions)</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessment criteria to join the MP and be a donor</li> <li>• Facilitate donor contacts for MP members</li> <li>• Brainstorm to ignite influential governments</li> <li>• Training support to fund raising</li> <li>• Liaise with focal point on MP and others</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Same chances from CSOs of countries not MP members</li> </ul>	<b>Long Term (in the 4 years strategy)</b>	<i>(as a communicational process)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Find the way to access to fund for GMF <i>(as a process)</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facilitate the establishment of the GMF</li> <li>• Ensure equal allocation of fund by the GMF</li> <li>• Inform about financing opportunities</li> <li>• Inform of available source of funding</li> </ul>

## Summary Report

This working group focused on the importance of **parallel actions to mobilize resources** to carry out the Four Years Strategy. To do this were raised concrete actions to implement now, in the short and in the long term (defined by the extension of the strategy). To implement these actions are required, on one hand, decision and in the other side, the support of the Mountain Partnership Secretariat (MPS).

The action **to carry out now** is linked to the internal communication of the MP. If want to continue this working group is necessary the support of the MPS to continue discussions after the meeting in Erzurum (either through virtual meetings and workshops or by the interchange by emails). Likewise, members of this group emphasized from the beginning the need to involve at this working group the donors and other MP members, particularly those with more reach to sources of resources.

For the **short term**, to begin carrying out the Strategy, the group suggested actions related to the external communication, proposing the development of events and campaigns targeted specifically to potential donors and private sector organizations (companies), as well as the

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approach to special funds for environment through focal points to the UN conventions. In this regard special attention was given to the discussion about the need to establish clear assessment criteria to give a special category of members to private sector organizations (companies) and donors. In this regard, requires the support of the MPS to establish a mechanism (and is proposed to create a task force). Also, the MPS can facilitate the contact between members and donors, training to fund raising proposal preparation, and to find a way to ignite interest in influential governments and conventions focal points, as well as other sources of resources.

The working group considers that short-term actions need to plan together advocacy and fundraising strategies, while also engaging governments through intergovernmental members, and the private sector through their Corporate Social Responsibility involving them through the Civil Society Organizations with which already have relationships.

With regard to **long term**, understood by those four years of the Strategy, the action to develop in parallel to the above, is to establish the GMF through which investors, international organizations and development partners, can contribute to the support for the MP and SMD projects. MPS will also initiated the process to recognize GMF under the UNFCCC, CBD, UNCSD, UNCCD and others international organization. In this regard, it is important that it must be a framework to finance both projects as the coordination, administration and management of the MP, and at the same time is different from the global funds to existing (GEF, GCC, etc.). In this respect it is expected that funds are distributed equitably, which provides opportunities for CSOs (even if the government of the country where they work is not a member of the MP). In this regard the support of the MPS is highlighted to ensure that the GMF be established with these parameters, and at the same time, is responsible for reporting about the available resources, sources, priorities, where and when of those. In summary, it must be a mechanism approachable, friendly, equitable and efficient.