

Extract from the Report of the Fourth Board Meeting (GF/B5/2)

Decisions:

1. The Board approved for funding, proposals recommended by the Technical Review Panel as reflected in the summary contained in Annex II attached to the present decision document (as Annex 2), according to the categories listed below, with the clear understanding that budgets requested are upper ceilings rather than final budgets and the Secretariat should report to the Board the results of the negotiations with the Principal Recipient on the final budget for acknowledgement (See Annex 2).
 - a. **Category 1:** Recommended proposals with no or minor modifications, which should easily be answered within 6 weeks and given the final approval by the TRP Chair and Co-Chair.
 - b. **Category 2:** Recommended proposals provided clarifications are met within a limited timeframe (6 weeks for the applicant to respond, at most 6 months to obtain the final TRP approval should further clarifications be requested). The primary reviewer, secondary reviewer as well as TRP Chair and /or Co-Chair need to give final approval.
 - c. **Category 3:** Not recommended in its present form but strongly encourage to re-submit.
 - d. **Category 4:** Not recommended for funding.
2. The Board acknowledged the lessons learnt of the Secretariat and the TRP during this process and allow adequate measures to be taken to improve Round 3.