PANEL 3:

FINANCING INNOVATION IN TOURISM: PROMOTING CONSERVATION, COMPETITIVENESS, SUSTAINABILITY AND INCLUSION

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STAR
System of Transparent Allocation of Resources
FOR GRANTS

Table 1: GEF-6 STAR Country Allocations ($ million)

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<th>Country</th>
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<th>Land Degradation</th>
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Who is eligible?
144 COUNTRIES RECEIVE AN ALLOCATION

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NGI
Non-Grant Instrument

(a) Credit guarantee (partial/full);
(b) Performance risk guarantee;
(c) Structured financing;
(d) Equity/investment fund;
(e) Revolving equity fund;
(f) Contingent loan;
(g) Concessional loan; and
(h) Revolving loan fund.
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Pillars for Successful Wildlife-based Tourism

1) Political Will
2) Wildlife populations
3) Large conservation areas
4) Will of wildlife tourism operators
5) Benefits for Local Communities
Policy Frameworks

Self-financing PAs, wildlife tourism, CBNRM.

Protected Areas

Management and Infrastructure

Wildlife-Based Tourism

For Local Communities and Wildlife.

Local Communities

CBNRM – benefits from wildlife

Private Sector

Partnerships with public and/or communities

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1. The GEF is interested in supporting Wildlife-Based Tourism that benefits local communities as well as conservation.

2. Sources of funding: STAR (Grants - Governments) and the NGI (Non-Grants – Private Sector)

RESOURCES

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