

**The World Bank and  
Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund  
A Shared Agenda**



**Powerful Alliances**

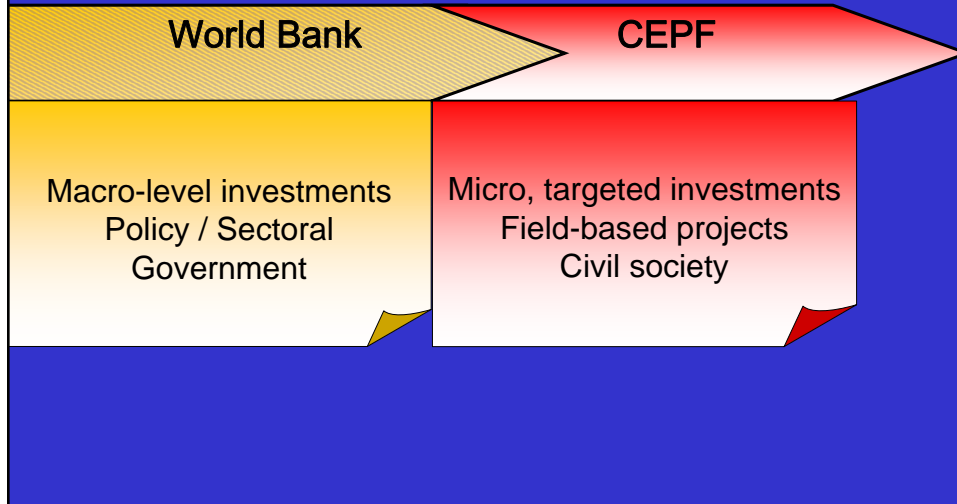
**Lasting Impact**

## Macro Perspective

- Development Grant Facility funding
  - \$5 million / year for 5 years
- Global Partnership Program
- Direct World Bank involvement
  - President currently serves as Chairman of the CEPF Donor Council
  - Task Manager acts as technical Working Group member
  - Supervision Missions
  - Mid-term Evaluation



## Combining Proven Strengths and Expertise Different Approaches – Shared Agenda



## Major Milestones To Date



- Memorandum of Understanding  
– Signed Dec. 2000
- Financing Agreement
- Mid-term evaluation for DGF  
– June 2003

## Rational for World Bank Involvement in CEPF

### CEPF strengthens the World Bank's

- Access to the non-profit sector
- Engagement with local communities

### CEPF builds

- National awareness for critical sites for biodiversity conservation
- Institutional capacity of local communities / NGOs in Bank client countries



## Incremental Value to the Bank

- Geographically prioritized and thematically concentrated
- Access to a global portfolio of biodiversity conservation projects
- Accommodate low cost, time-sensitive projects that support larger Bank investments
- Engage a non-traditional constituency
- Promoting and reinforcing partnerships at all levels
- Widely sharing lessons learned (> 27,000 final project reports were downloaded from [www.cepf.net](http://www.cepf.net) in the last six months)



## Notable Findings from the Mid-term Evaluation of CEPF

- “Underlying rationale for creating CEPF is sound and well founded”
- CEPF is successfully complementing GEF grantmaking, responding to a great demand
- Tighten link between priority setting and implementation
- The Fund supports a wide variety of grantees in a relatively timely and agile manner



## Objective for Asia Workshop

Improve linkages between World Bank  
and CEPF operations

Shared Goals  
Complementary Approach  Powerful partnership

