

## COMMENTS ON DOC.9-9 JANUARY 2008

### **Background paper for the ministerial-level consultations, including policy options emanating from the President's Summary of the Ministerial Consultations of GC-24/GMEF**

Here are the comments of NESDA on this background paper.

#### **1. Globalization and the Environment: Mobilizing Finance to meet the climate challenge:**

- A list of abbreviations should be added to the document to make reading and comprehension easier.
- Conserving forests and hence enhancing biodiversity requires incentives and compensation measures from developed countries as the economies of most developing countries are agriculture-based (forest-based). Adequate international assistance and efficient funding are essential.
- Carbon finance has become a real market. For an effective response in developing countries, support for investment in CDM projects development is much needed.

#### **2. International Environmental Governance and the United Nations Reform:**

- Efforts to strengthen international environmental governance and calls for the transformation of UNEP into an international organisation or a UN environment organisation need to be supported by all Governments. UNEP is to be the leading global environmental authority and must play an authoritative role in international environmental governance.
- The Bali Strategic Plan for Technology support and capacity building should be stressed and widely implemented in developing countries by securing adequate financial resources taking into account the needs of the universities such as software and laboratory equipment.