

Dear Olivier,

Please in continuation of my earlier paper (Mahmood's thoughts/suggestions - 1) and follow up comments on the subject from time to time via e-mails, attached are my initial comments/suggestions for consideration, after reviewing the draft document by the present drafting committee. I hope these are of help/useful in further improvement of the concept and the text of the draft document.

I strongly feel that we should consider very thoroughly and be most careful in changing the title "Global Civil Society Forum (GCSF)" to "Global Major Groups Environment Forum (GMGEF) and in the attached paper, I have given my reasons, not to change the title GCSF. I shall be happy to further clarify any of my comments/suggestions in the attached paper, if so desired.

I also wish to suggest that a "Draft Review Committee" may be constituted to consider all the comments suggestions received from the stakeholders. The committee may also include a member/(s) from the present drafting committee.

Please, as I also mentioned in my last e-mail (given below), there seems no representation from Asia-Pacific and African regions among the ED's invitees for the proposed workshop. You may kindly like to draw ED's attention to the same for any possible revision of the list of the invitees.

During GCSF general assembly, Nairobi, there were serious concerns expressed by some participants on representation of Civil Society by "Co-ordinators" of global/regional Networks, as in most cases these individuals do not have/belong to any NGO/organization of their own.

In a separate e-mail, I am also sharing (only) my attached comments/suggestions with GCSF - SC

Very best wishes

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