

2020 Selection Process for Civil Society Organization (CSO) Observers to the Climate Investment Funds (CIFs) Process Description and Timeline

[RESOLVE](#) has been invited to facilitate the selection process for civil society observers to the Climate Investment Funds. The proposed timeline for the selection process is below.

Establish Selection Committee and Process	September 2020	RESOLVE will establish a Joint Observer Selection Committee (JOSC) composed of former observers and other qualified individuals to assist with the selection process. During this time, RESOLVE will consult with the JOSC on the selection process and related materials.
Voter Registration	Early-September – Mid-November	Beginning in September, we will invite CSOs involved with climate change issues to register for the voting process that will take place in November. Registration will remain open until shortly before voting begins. Voter registrations are due by 23:59 UTC on Friday, November 13.
Observer Application Process	Mid-September – Late-October	A call for applications for the observer positions will be distributed to civil society organizations and networks around the world. Candidates will have four weeks to submit applications. Observer applications are due by 23:59 UTC on Friday, October 30.
Application Review and Shortlisting	Early-November – Mid-November	RESOLVE will screen applicants against the observer eligibility requirements and selection criteria and develop a suggested list of qualified candidates for consideration by CSO members of the JOSC. CSO members of the JOSC will select a shortlist of candidates to advance to the voting phase. As needed, RESOLVE will set up calls between JOSC members and candidates.
Voting	Mid-November – Early-December	RESOLVE will notify registered voters that the electronic voting process is open. Organizations may vote for observer candidates from their region (the four regions are Africa/Middle East, Eastern Europe/Central Asia/Asia/Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Donor countries). RESOLVE will verify the votes are submitted by qualified, registered CSO organizations.
Final Selection	Early – Mid-December	After voting closes, RESOLVE will draw on both the voting results and the observer selection criteria to ensure proper representation and balance across each committee and sub-committee to develop a proposed list of selected CSO observers. The JOSC will be consulted on ties or questions, consider balance criteria across the CSO, PSE, and IPO observers, and will be responsible for final selection decisions. RESOLVE will notify the candidates of the selection decisions and request confirmation of acceptance.
Announce Observers	By Late-December	RESOLVE will announce and publish the final list of selected CSO observers via the RESOLVE website and email distribution list.