**Terms of Reference (ToRs) for the Steering Committee for the GEF V Project**

There shall be a Steering Committee comprising representatives from relevant Ministries and other key stakeholders. The Committee will be chaired by the Permanent Secretary from the Ministry responsible forestry and natural resources.

The Steering Committee will have the following responsibilities:

* Providing policy guidance and oversight to the Project;
* Ensuring good governance in project management by ensuring a functionally devolved structure;
* Approving strategic documents including work plans and budgets for the project;
* Carry out Project monitoring and evaluation by quality assuring that process and products, and using the evaluations for performance improvement, accountability and learning;
* Ensuring that required resources are made available to the Project;
* Arbitrates on any conflicts within the project implementation;
* Approves the appointment and responsibilities of the Project Manager and any delegation of its Project assurance responsibilities;
* Link the project to national processes and programmes in line with other inter-ministerial programmes.

**Composition:**

* + - 1. Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources (Chair);
      2. Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Tourism and Arts (Alternate Chair)
      3. United Nations Development Programme
      4. Department of Wildlife and National Parks
      5. Forestry Department
      6. Department of Tourism
      7. Department of Natural Resources and Climate Change (Secretariat with PIU)
      8. Department of Environment Management, the GEF Operational Focal Point
      9. Ministry of Higher Education
      10. Ministry of Justice
      11. Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries – Fisheries Department
      12. Ministry of Energy and Water Development - Department of Energy
      13. Ministry of Chiefs and Traditional Affairs - National Heritage Conservation Commission
      14. Zambia Environmental Management Agency
      15. Zambia Climate Change Network
      16. World-Wide Fund for Nature – International