

SEAF Managing Director Receives Award from GSG Chair Sir Ronald Cohen to Recognize Colombia as a Member of Distinguished Impact Investing Network

Bogota, Colombia – February 13, 2020 – In November of 2019, SEAF Managing Director [Mauricio Samper](#), head of the SEAF Colombia Agribusiness Fund, received an award signifying Colombia’s acceptance to the global network of the [Global Steering Group for Impact Investment](#) (GSG). The prestigious award was presented by [Sir Ronald Cohen](#), Chair of GSG, during the GSG Annual Summit that took place in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Mr. Samper accepted the honor as Chair of GSG’s Colombia National Advisory Board (NAB).

The GSG is an independent global steering group catalyzing impact investment and entrepreneurship to improve the lives of people and the planet. The organization was established in 2015 as the successor to the Social Impact Investment Taskforce under the UK’s presidency of the G8. Chaired by Sir Ronald Cohen, the GSG brings together leaders from the impact investment ecosystem, with the objective that measurable impact is embraced as a deliberate driver in every investment and business decision affecting people and the planet.

The acceptance of Colombia to the GSG followed a year-long effort from the SEAF team as co-leaders in a gathering of the country’s preeminent impact investing community, including asset managers, owners, government, and academia, to collectively define a strategy and an agenda to strengthen the country’s impact investing ecosystem. The resulting submission was a success, and Colombia was accepted into the prestigious global impact investment network. Colombia joins 23 other member countries plus the EU in the group, underscoring the country’s commitment to solving social and environmental issues at home and abroad.



Sir Ronald Cohen presenting Colombia’s acceptance award to Mauricio Samper, Chair of GSG’s National Advisory Board. Buenos Aires, Argentina, November 2019

About SEAF

SEAF is a global fund management company headquartered in Washington, DC that invests in small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in emerging and frontier markets, seeking both financial returns and impact on economic and social development; and providing technical assistance to improve the performance of the enterprises. SEAF, with committed capital of \$1.3 billion, has more than 30 years of experience with 40 funds in over 30 countries. SEAF also supports 11 Centers for Entrepreneurship and Development (CEED) around the world (www.ceed-global.org), providing training, mentoring, professional networks and global access to entrepreneur-run businesses. For more about SEAF, see www.seaf.com. ###

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