

Resolution PC/5/2010/3

Ghana's Readiness Preparation Proposal

Whereas:

1. Ghana submitted a Readiness Preparation Proposal (R-PP) to the Facility Management Team (FMT) in February 2010, which was reviewed by a Technical Advisory Panel (TAP), a working group consisting of Participants Committee (PC) members established for this purpose, and the World Bank;
2. The PC reviewed the R-PP in accordance with Section 11.1 (b) of the Charter Establishing the FCPF (Charter) at its fifth meeting; and
3. The PC acknowledged the extensive efforts made by Ghana and the high quality of its R-PP.

The Participants Committee,

1. Decides to allocate grant funding to Ghana to enable it to move ahead with preparation for readiness; and
2. For this purpose, requests:
 - i. Ghana to submit a revised R-PP (Revised R-PP) to the FMT, reflecting the key issues in the summary report prepared by the FMT included in the annex to this resolution;
 - ii. The FMT to check the Revised R-PP for completeness, make it available on the FCPF website and notify the PC of its availability;
 - iii. The World Bank, as the Trustee of the Readiness Fund (Trustee), to complete its due diligence, in particular with regard to the World Bank's Operational Policies and Procedures, working closely with Ghana, in order to provide a grant of up to US\$3.4 million, in accordance with PC Resolution PC/3/2009/4;
 - iv. Ghana to consider the issues identified in the TAP's R-PP assessment as well as those raised by the PC at this meeting during readiness preparation; and
 - v. Ghana to report to the PC on progress made in accordance with Section 6.3 (b) of the Charter and to carry out its responsibilities in accordance with the grant agreement.

Annex

Summary Report Prepared by the FMT

The PC noted the extensive effort made by the Government of Ghana and commended the quality of the R-PP and its presentation.

The PC also noted that the R-PP formulation process to date has improved significantly from the previous submission and offers lessons for other REDD countries, particularly in establishing the needed structures for REDD readiness management.

Key Issues

The following are the key issues that Ghana needs to address before entering into a Readiness Preparation grant agreement with the Trustee of the Readiness Fund:

1. Clarify how the stakeholders, in particular civil society, will be engaged in the consultation process to ensure that adequate opportunities are provided for their inputs into the Readiness preparation process;
2. Provide information on how the existing consultation structures such as those provided by the FLEGT VPA could contribute to the consultations for REDD readiness;
3. Include an analysis of experiences and lessons learnt from past and ongoing initiatives addressing deforestation and forest degradation. The linkages between the investment strategy to be submitted to the Forest Investment Program (FIP) and the REDD readiness process should be clarified; and
4. Confirm (with appropriate Terms of Reference) that REDD-plus is part of the mandate of the Environment and Natural Resource Advisory Council (ENRAC), the apex body at the Cabinet level for providing oversight on the national climate change issues.