Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

3a. Readiness Package

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Readiness Package

- Key questions to be discussed:
  - What are the key principles for the R-Package?
  - What is the scope of the R-Package?
  - When is the R-Package submitted?
- Discussion will not conclude today
  - This meeting will provide initial inputs
  - Discussion will continue at PC9 and PC10

R-Package: Proposed Key Principles

- Focus on Progress
  - R-Package is not the end point, but a key milestone
- Feasibility
  - Contents of the R-Package should be achievable given the country's circumstances (e.g., institutions, development priorities)
- Relevance
  - Provide the national REDD+ infrastructure to enable future REDD+ implementation at scale appropriate for the country
- Consistency
  - With agreed concepts and principles (i.e., UNFCCC, FCPF Charter and Issues Note), but also need flexibility to adapt/improve

R-Package: Purpose

- Charter, Information Memorandum and Issues Note are vague on the R-Package
- R-Package will provide confidence and transparency to national and international actors that
  - The country is making progress on REDD+
  - It is testing activities within a transparent framework
  - It mitigates social and environmental risks

R-Package: Contents (1)

- Two key questions arise:
  - What are the core elements that countries need to document in the R-Package?
  - How are these core elements assessed? What standards need to be met?
    - What are the indicators/criteria?
      - UNFCCC, other regime?
      - FCPF Carbon Fund?
      - Technical standards for any future ERPAs?
      - Primarily technical (MRV, REL/FRL) or broader (governance, etc.)?
    - What process will be used to define these?

R-Package: Contents (2)

Proposed core elements:

1. REDD+ Strategy
2. Implementation Framework
3. MRV System
4. REL/RFL
5. Safeguards

R-Package: Contents (3)

1. REDD+ Strategy

- Sound analysis of drivers of deforestation/degradation and corresponding mitigation strategy
- Broad-based, meaningful consultations
- Inter-linkages with national policy and legal framework
- Country-ownership and cross-sectoral
- Prioritized and costed/budgeted action plan
- Other?

R-Package: Contents (4)

2. Implementation Framework

- Scale of implementation and corresponding management framework
- Regulations on Emission Reductions from REDD+
- Regulations on cost and benefit sharing (e.g., REDD+ fund management structure, other mechanisms)
- Other?

R-Package: Contents (5)

3. MRV System

- Apply Cancun decision + SBSTA modalities
- Country may need to design its MRV system before all the details are available from SBSTA
- How creative will the REDD Country Participants be willing/able to be in their R-Packages?
- Once designed, how can MRV system be adjusted to meet emerging standards of UNFCCC and other compliance regimes?
- Carbon and non-carbon, but how detailed?
- Key is capacity for measurement (M) and reporting (R)
- System needs to be enabling for future implementation (including ER Programs under the Carbon Fund)

R-Package: Contents (6)

4. REL/FRL

- Apply Cancun decision + SBSTA modalities
- Country may need to set REL/FRL before all the details are available from SBSTA
- How creative will the REDD Country Participants be willing/able to be in their R-Packages?
- How willing/able will the PC be to determine what is an acceptable REL/RFL?
- Once set, how can REL/FRL be adjusted to meet emerging standards of UNFCCC and other compliance regimes?

R-Package: Contents (7)

5. Safeguards

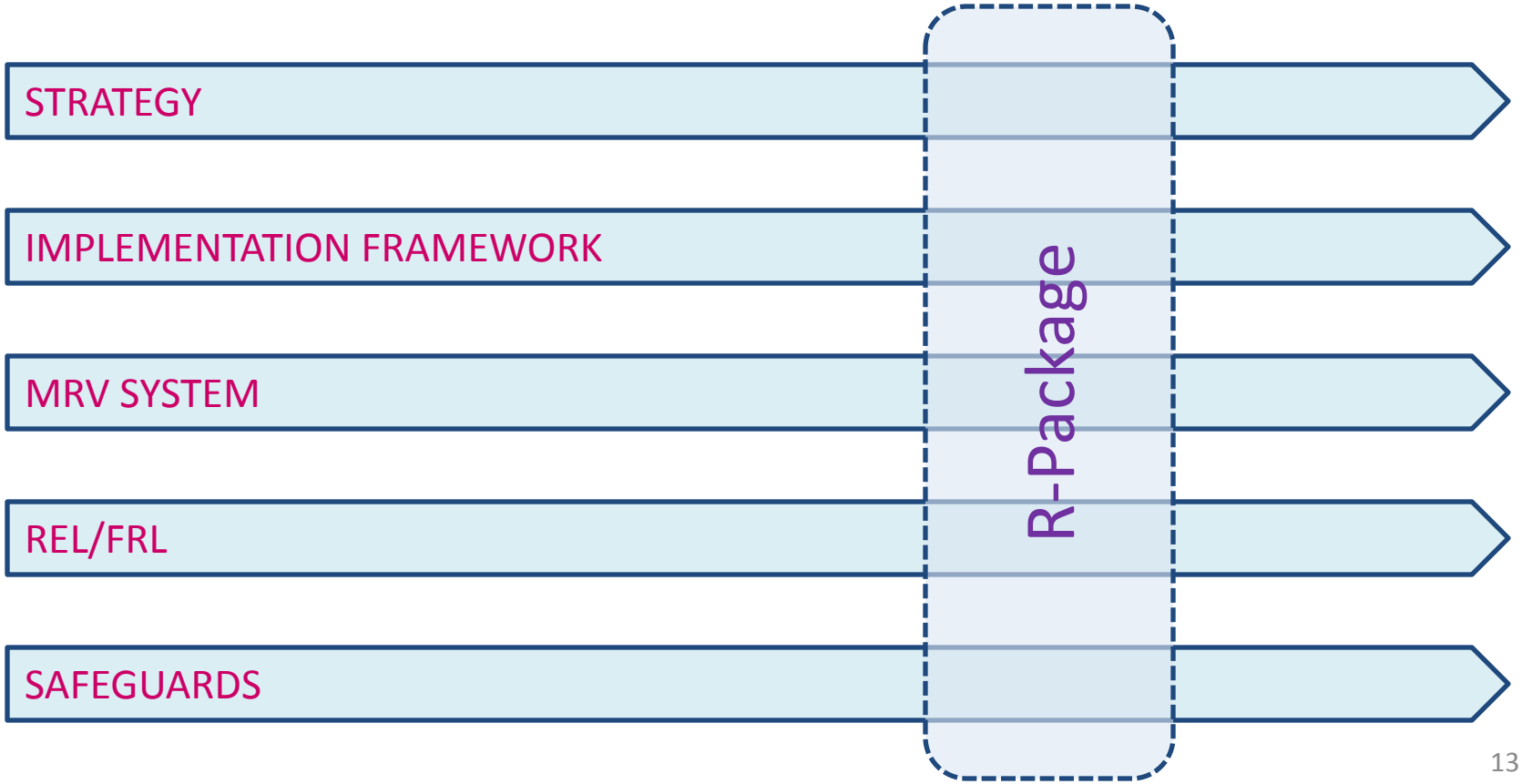
- Apply Cancun safeguards + follow SBSTA guidance
- Apply FCPF "Common Approach" to be agreed among Multiple Delivery Partners and adopted by PC
  - Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment (SESA)
  - Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF)

R-Package: Assessment (1)

- How are these core elements assessed? What standards need to be met?
  - What are the indicators/criteria?
    - UNFCCC, other regimes?
    - FCPF Carbon Fund?
    - Technical standards for any future ERPAs?
    - Primarily technical (MRV, REL/FRL) or broader (governance, etc.)?
  - What standards need to be met in relation to the indicators/criteria?
  - What process will be used to define these indicators/criteria and standards?

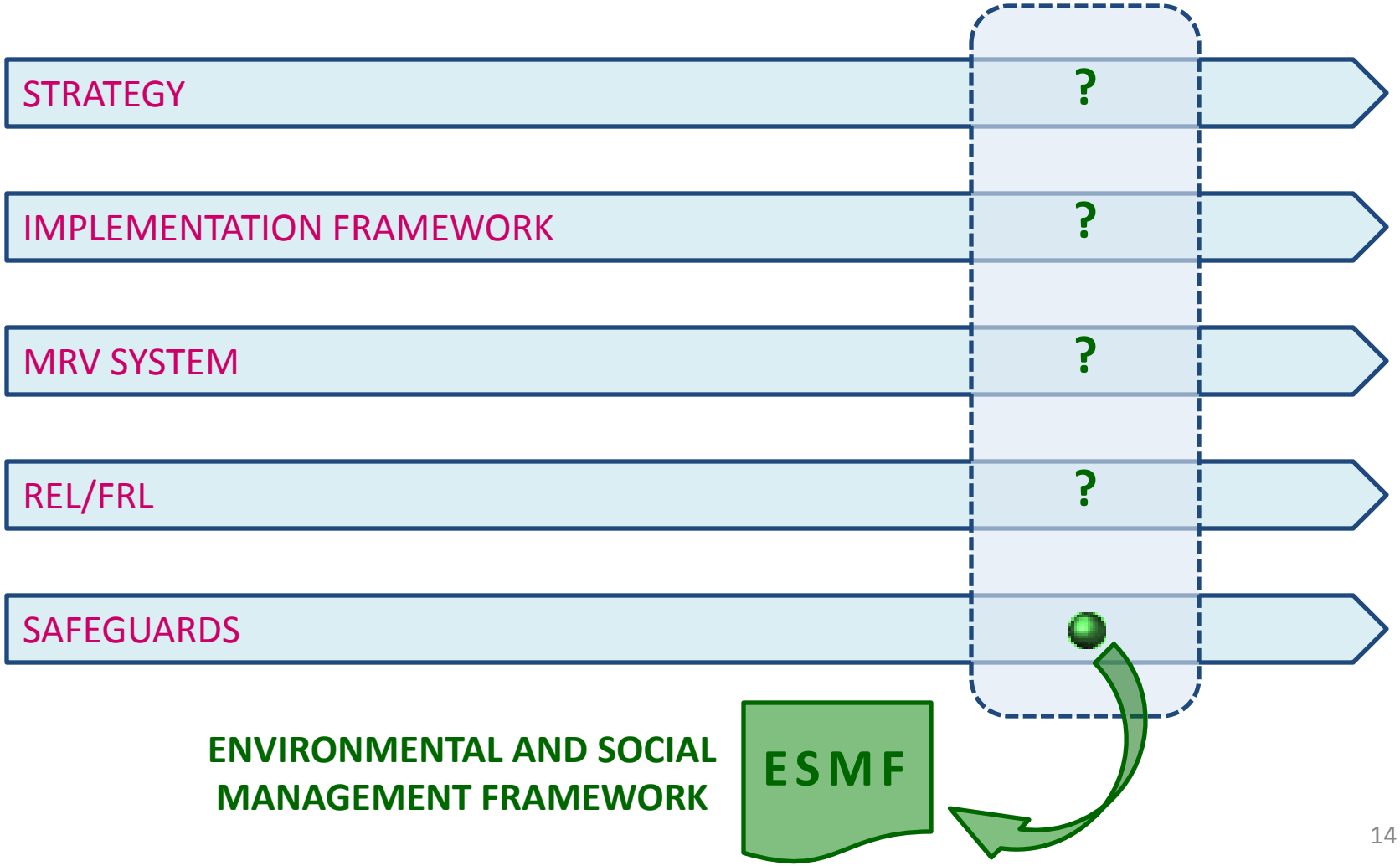
R-Package: Assessment (2)

- Preparation for REDD+ Readiness is a continuum
- Readiness is not a single point in time
- How far along the continuum should the R-Package be assessed?

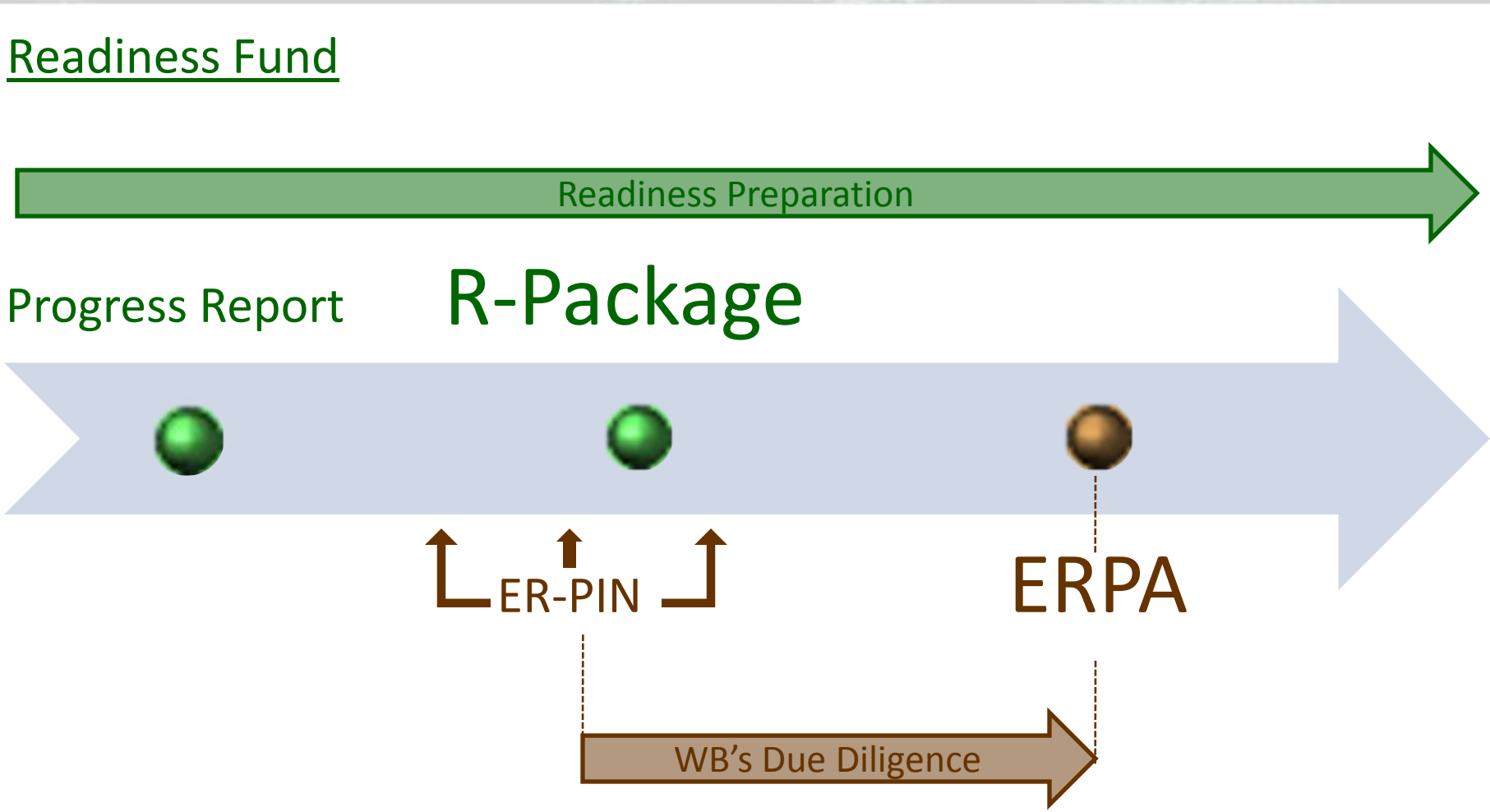


R-Package: Assessment (3)

What criteria and standards should the R-Package meet?



Basic Sequencing:
Readiness Package is 'Gateway' to Carbon Fund



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