

# Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

# 2a. Report of the Working Group on Multiple Delivery Partners

Seventh Meeting of the Participants Committee (PC7) Washington, DC November 2-3, 2010

## Working Group (WG)

- First meeting in Washington on September 15-16, 2010
  - Self-selection:
    - PC members (REDD countries + financial contributors)
    - Civil society and Indigenous Peoples observers
    - Potential delivery partners
  - Reviewed relevant precedents in detail
  - Discussed modalities of relying on multiple delivery partners
  - Background materials and presentations accessible at <a href="http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/node/288">http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/node/288</a>

### WG Recommendations

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  - Recommendations + an appendix outlining a process for developing common principles and standards on procurement, financial management, and social and environmental safeguards,

#### Status

- Due to limited meeting time, the WG was not able reach an agreement on the recommendations at its September 15-16 meeting
- FMT circulated the draft recommendations and received comments from the WG members
- The draft recommendations are presented in a track-change version to show the comments received (see USB sticks)

#### WG Draft Recommendations (1)

- Potential delivery partners and reasons for such selection:
  - The African Development Bank
  - The Asian Development Bank
  - The Inter-American Development Bank
  - The United Nations Development Programme
  - The United Nations Environment Programme
  - The Food and Agriculture Organization
    - These entities are either Implementing Agencies or executing agencies of the GEF
    - They bring expertise and value added for REDD+
- FMT to propose several pilots for approval by the PC
- FMT to set out the criteria for selecting pilots:
  - Pilots are only for R-PP formulation
  - Maximize learning
  - Country –specific situation where other delivery partners currently appear to be more effective for formulation activities than the World Bank (priority is given to countries where the Bank has no presence)
  - Based on requests and needs of the REDD Country Participants

### WG Draft Recommendations (2)

- PC9 to review the lessons learned from the pilots
  - Options for what a decision the PC would make on the arrangement for multiple delivery partners:

#### Proposals from WG members :

- A: How to operationalize the arrangement (modalities of operation) under the Readiness Fund
- B: Whether and under what circumstance the arrangement for multiple delivery partners should be operationalized under the Readiness Fund
- C: How to operationalize the arrangement and consider expanding the multiple delivery partners from the Readiness Fund to the Carbon Fund

### WG Draft Recommendations (3)

- Common principles and standards on social and environmental safeguards, procurement and financial management
  - Establish a Task Force to develop a common approach
- Principles:
  - Develop 'FCPF overlay guidance' on environmental and social standards (much work has already been done in the areas of financial management and procurement, and potential delivery partners already adhere to similar fiduciary standards)
  - FCPF overlay guidance should be informed by the UNFCCC AWG-LCA draft decision text from Copenhagen
  - Overlay guidance would respect the operating policies and procedures of each of the delivery partners
    - Overlay guidance should help fill in gaps that may be identified between the standards and the operating policies and procedures of the various delivery partners

#### Next Steps on Overlay Guidance (1)

- Task Force will need supporting work:
  - Background research
  - Facilitation
- Concept notes are being drafted for this supporting work
- FMT would liaise with Bureau on next steps

#### Next Steps on Overlay Guidance (2)

- Before this overlay guidance is prepared, <u>for the pilot phase, i.e.</u>, <u>the \$200,000 grants supporting R-PP formulation</u>, FMT proposes that all delivery partners use the following:
  - Enhanced draft R-PP template (incorporating UN-REDD comments)
  - Draft guidance note on stakeholder engagement (joint between FCPF and UN-REDD)

### Pilots for Consideration and Approval by PC (1)

- Pilots recommended for PC7 approval:
  - Cambodia
    - World Bank does not have an active forest sector portfolio in Cambodia
    - Other development partners are active in Cambodia
    - Cambodia intends to submit at least a draft R-PP for discussion at PC8
    - Cambodia has expressed desire to work with UNDP
    - UNDP is tentatively interested
  - No other countries have expressed interest so far
  - Other countries may express interest after PC7, including a number who have already requested assistance from some of the candidate delivery partners regardless of the FCPF's situation

### Pilots for Consideration and Approval by PC (2)

- FMT's proposal for inter-sessional pilot approval by the PC (between PC7 and PC8):
  - Proposed process:
    - Country to express interest to FMT
    - FMT to review expression of interest based on PC7 Resolution
    - FMT to discuss expression of interest based with potential delivery partner
    - FMT to inform PC members and observers (by email) of the interest and justification, and to request PC approval on a no-objection basis.
    - If objection is received from PC member(s), FMT to request PC to vote (by email) following Charter procedure
  - Proposed maximum number of pilots to be proposed by the FMT to the PC = 5 (including Cambodia)
  - Draft guidelines to be followed by the REDD Countries and delivery partners:
    - Draft enhanced R-PP template (available on USB sticks and on website, to be discussed in session PC7 2g)
    - Draft guidance note on stakeholder engagement (available on USB sticks and on website)

#### Possible PC7 Action: FMT's Proposal

- Adopt a Resolution
  - Reflecting the WG's recommendations
  - Confirming the WG and Task Force mandates
  - Approving Cambodia as pilot
  - Adopting process for approving additional pilots before PC8
  - Specifying the guidelines applicable to the pilots



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