

# Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

# 3a. Enhancement of the R-PP Template and Process: Update

Eighth Meeting of the Participants Committee (PC8)

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#### R-PP Template Guidelines Are Growing Organically



- 23 R-PPs submitted to date (drafts and formal) using evolving template:
   widespread acceptance
- PC7 requested FMT to review comments on the R-PP template, continue cooperation with UN-REDD, and provide a revised draft template.
- Evolution of template driven by :
  - Country experience using template, and beginning to implement R-PPs
  - PC and Stakeholder viewpoints
  - Cancun COP 16 REDD-plus decision.

#### R-PP Guidelines Revised into Version 5, December 22, 2010

- ~ 200 comments received on draft template Version 4 (January 28, 2010) and early draft of Version 5 (October, 2010) from: countries, observers, WB, UN-REDD, TAP
- Harmonization with UN-REDD into use of single R-PP document largely completed
- R-PPS for PC8: Countries could use either:
  - January 2010 Version 4 of template (6 used), reviewed against Version 4 standards, or
  - Draft December 22<sup>nd</sup> 2010 version 5 (Cambodia and Liberia used), reviewed against Version 5 standards
- R-PPs for PC9 due in April should use Version 5 on web

#### Overview of December 22 Version 5 Draft Template (1)

- Version 5 updates October 2010 draft of Version 5 discussed at PC7 in Washington, reflecting many comments and:
  - Split component 1b on Consultations into: 1b on Information Sharing, and 1c on Consultation and Participation
  - Added UNFCCC Cancun COP 16 REDD+ decision text into components
  - Added R-PP review standard to be met into each component's text
  - Revised annexes, including some guidelines and resource references.
- "Country Submission template": version a country uses to submit its R-PP (without the guidelines)
- Enhanced guidelines, especially for:
  - 1b: Information Sharing and Early Dialogue with Key Stakeholder Groups
  - 2c: Implementation Framework
  - 2d: Social and Environmental Impacts
  - 3: Develop a Reference Level
- Package of revised template (Ver. 5) plus Stakeholder Guidelines and other annexes provides basis for \$200k formulation grants.

#### Continuing Consideration: FPIC, in Component 1c

Several topics in the template draft Version 5 are under further discussion in FMT, WB and with UN-REDD.

- FPIC: "free, prior and informed consent"
- Proposed revised language requires countries that have endorsed or adopted UNDRIP, and enacted legislation to implement FPIC domestically, to conform to such legislation.
- World Bank is currently undertaking a two-year review of its safeguard policies and procedures, including review of the Bank's use of "free, prior and informed consultation leading to broad community support".

### Continuing Consideration: 1c and 2c: Grievance Mechanism

- Grievance redress mechanism: Process for evaluating and addressing grievances from affected communities, as alternative to more formal dispute resolution processes.
- Current Version 5 text (December, 2011) briefly calls for:
  - Grievance mechanism to be established and accessible in a country during consultations and afterward (in 1c, Consultations)
  - Country to assess options for accessible, affordable mechanism to handle REDD+ issues (2c: Implementation Framework).
- FMT considering adding a work plan element to component 2c for countries to propose their grievance redress mechanism, to:
  - Conduct rapid assessment of existing formal and informal local dispute processes, and build on them where feasible
  - Propose activities to define the functions and governance of the mechanism
  - Propose transparent information sharing and consultation on the proposed mechanism.
- Resource implications need to be considered.

#### **Continuing Consideration: 2d: Joint Co-Financing**

- Relevant to cases where multiple funding sources or Multiple Delivery Partners support work under an R-PP. (in R-PP version 5, 2d, 2<sup>nd</sup> par.)
- <u>Current text</u>: "In cases of joint co-financing of activities by multiple donors (i.e., co-mingling of funds for a single activity), or of involvement of delivery partners other than the World Bank, the parties will come to an agreement on which standards and processes will be applied for a country..."
- WB Board recently approved a paper on carbon finance issues that includes draft language being considered:
- <u>Draft new text</u>: "In the context of joint co-financing situations, where there is comingling of funds (including from the Bank) for a single REDD-plus readiness activity, the donors and the government will agree on which procedures and safeguards will apply, in accordance with the principle that the most stringent rules apply to all donors. In the context of parallel co-financing situations in which the Bank's safeguards would not apply, where a REDD-plus readiness activity is financed by a different donor and is not included in the Bank's grant agreement, the Bank will not apply its procedures and safeguards, even though the activity may have been reviewed by the Participants Committee of the FCPF and by the Bank as part of the country's readiness proposal. "

# **Schedule for R-PP Submission (tentative)**

R-PP Draft Received by FMT	Revised R-PP, Final TAP and PC Reviews on Website	PC Meeting: Tentative Dates
January 10, 2011 (New submission) January 25, 2011 (Resubmission)	March 9	March 23-25, 2011 PC 8, Hanoi, Vietnam
April 11, 2011 (New submission) April 25, 2011 (Resubmission)	June 6	June 20-22, 2011  PC 9,Oslo, Norway
August 1, 2011 (New submission) August 22, 2011 (Resubmission)	October 3	October 17-19, 2011  PC10, Berlin, Germany

## **Proposed Next Steps**

- Countries use existing Version 5 draft (December 22, 2010) to submit R-PPs by :
  - April 11<sup>th</sup> (new R-PPs)
  - April 25<sup>th</sup> (revised R-PPs)
- FMT posts proposed revisions to Version 5
- Version 5, or as eventually revised, used for submissions for PC10

