

## Update to the FCPF by the UN-REDD Programme

### Progress since the last joint meeting (March 2012)

- **Four** more countries accepted as members in 2012 taking the total number of member countries to **46**
  - Malaysia and Uganda joined in June 2012
  - Morocco and Lao PDR joined in October 2012
- **One** additional country now entered into implementation phase of their National Programme (Nigeria as of 31 August, 2012) taking the total number of countries in the implementation phase to 14. A budget of 67 M allocated to these countries.
- **Three** of those about to finish: DRC, Indonesia and Viet Nam
- **Two** new National Programmes approved and about to start: The Republic of the Congo and Sri Lanka are both expected to sign their programmes in October, 2012 (Funding allocation approved at PB 8).
- **One** new country invited to prepare a National Programme: Colombia
- Joint FCPF-UN-REDD Country Needs Assessment (CNA)
- Operationalising targeted support to also support those countries that do not yet have a NP or where a specific technical need has been identified and which was not foreseen in the original National Programme. Since January this year, a total of 18 countries have taken advantage of this for a total amount of US\$ 2.4 M
- Legal preparedness workshop in September
- Document on MRV and Monitoring prepared aimed to support countries establish their national forest monitoring system
- Knowledge sharing:
  - 2011 Year in Review
  - Lessons learned Asia-Pacific
  - Lessons learnt Africa (will be launched this week)
  - Updated web-site
- Closer collaboration with FCPF:
  - Joint CNA
  - Mapping out support provided by each initiative to Indigenous Peoples and civil society stakeholders
  - The joint UN-REDD Programme and FCPF Guidelines on Stakeholder Engagement have been improved and finalized by incorporating inputs received in a public review process carried

out in 2011 and have been incorporated into the harmonized FCPF/UN-REDD RPP Template.

- Collaboration on engagement of the private sector
  - Legal preparedness workshop in September
  - PB8 and PB9 back-to-back with FCPF PC meetings
  - Upcoming: Sharing of experiences on the development of a comprehensive M&E system
- Yemi Katerere, the Head of the UN-REDD Secretariat in Geneva left the Programme in August this year. The process of recruiting a replacement is underway. In the meantime, Mette Wilkie is the Interim Head of the Secretariat.

### **Key agenda items for Policy Board 9**

Detailed update on progress in the last year

The outcome of the joint FCPF and UN-REDD Country Needs Assessment and the response to it and the implications of this for the work plan and budget for 2013 and 2014.

Lessons learnt by countries – in particular the 3 that are about to finish, but also on those that are in implementation – focusing on some of the challenges and the innovative solutions found by countries to overcome these challenges

A discussion on how to assist countries assess additional resources for REDD+ related activities and at the same time take advantage of the approach and methodologies used by the UN-REDD Programme through what is called a Tier 2 mechanism

Presentation on the work of the UN-REDD Programme on Gender; MRV & Monitoring; and on Safeguards and multiple benefits

#### **Decisions expected:**

- Approval of the revised budget and work plan for 2013-2014
- Adoption of some specific measures to enhance delivery of national programmes
- Move of the annual meetings in March to June/July to better align with the budget and reporting cycle

#### **Key activities foreseen for 2013**

- Review of the UN-REDD Programme Policy Board Structure
- Independent external evaluation