



Development of a National REDD+ Strategy-Framework *The DR Congo Experience*

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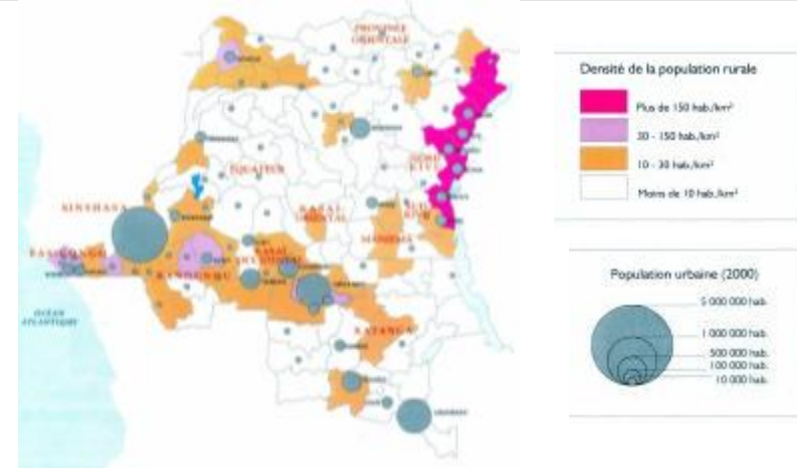
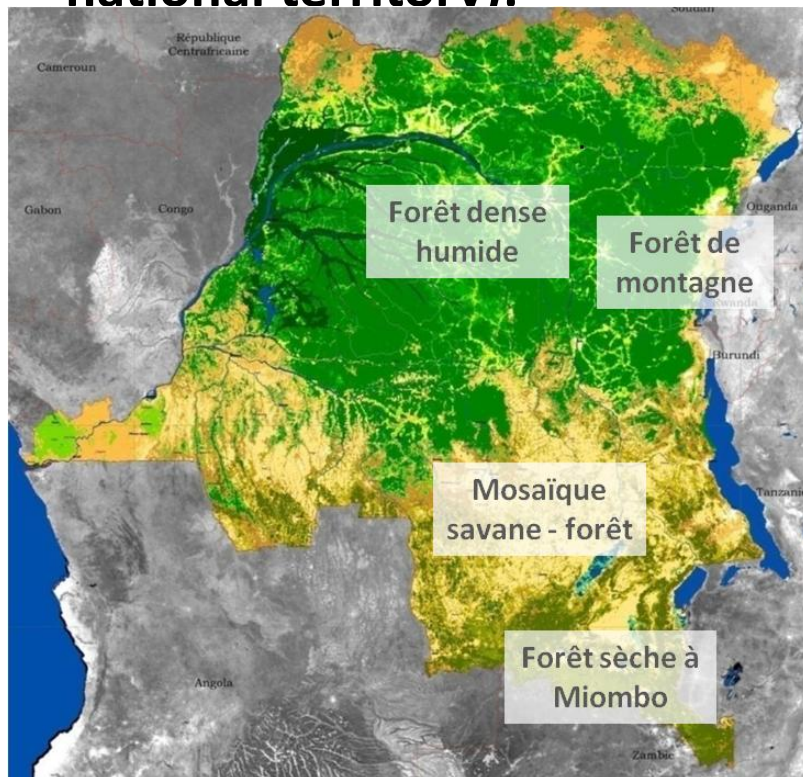
PROGRAMME
ONU-REDD



Democratic Republic of Congo - Context

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- Vast country: 234 million ha
- 70 million inhabitants (2010), unevenly distributed
- 155 millions ha of forests* (67% of national territory):



- DSCR National Development Document : Vision of Sustainable development
- Forest Law Framework
- Environment Law Framework

REACHING A NATIONAL CONSENSUS ON THE DRIVERS



At the beginning : divergent and conflictual views on the main drivers of deforestation, based on specific interests of different stakeholders.

The process of identification of main direct and indirect drivers of deforestation therefore key in paving a way to build a national consensus:

- ① **Sound technical analyses, both quantitative and qualitative**, with technical support from different partners (FAO, Université Catholique de Louvain, UNEP) and strong involvement of the civil society which commissioned a set of studies => **5 studies**
 - ② **Importance of the reality check** : studies carried on the ground, in different Provinces
 - ③ **Multi-stakeholders process** with broad and strong participation as well as direct involvement of different entities to establish, review, discuss and validate the conclusions (civil society, technical partners, private sector, etc)
- ➔ 2 years-process of intensive work and extensive consultations
- ➔ National consensus reached = the very first premise to build a REDD+ Strategy



The National REDD+ strategy framework : drivers & pillars

- A strategy based on current (& future) drivers of DD
- DD processes accelerating
- A very high national consensus & support

Direct causes

- Shifting agriculture
- Artisanal timber logging
- Fuelwood
- Mining*
- Bushfires*

Indirect causes

- Population growth
- Institutional aspects
- Infrastructures & urbanization
- Poverty

Challenges at that time

- National consensus
- Multiple and diverse interests
- Law and regulation frameworks
- REDD+ New concept
- Information Education and Consultation (EIC)

Sectoral Interventions:

- ✓ Agriculture
- ✓ Energy
- ✓ Forest
- ✓ Demography

Enabling Interventions:

- ✓ Land use planning
- ✓ Land tenure
- ✓ Governance

FOR EACH PILLAR:

- Objectives
- Results
- Activities



THE DESIGN PROCESS OF THE NATIONAL STRATEGY

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AN ENTREPRENEURIAL EFFORT WITH POLITICAL, TECHNICAL & STAKEHOLDERS CONSULTATIONS

TECHNICAL

- Piloted by the **National REDD+ Coordination**
- Regular Oversight of the Minister of Environment
- **Peer-reviews** by international and national experts in and outside DRC
- Multiple **studies** on land tenure, PES, etc.

POLITICAL

- **High-level political dialogue**, starting with a High-Level Forum on 'Forests and Sustainable Development of DRC'
- Series of intensive thematic **working sessions with 10 sectoral Ministries** (*Heads of Administration and Cabinet*) to ensure alignment with sectoral policies

STAKEHOLDERS

- **16 Thematic Groups engaging 500 participants** (civil society, private sector, technical partners & gov.)
- **Close dialogue with GTCR** (civil society network), with a series of provincial consultations
- Experiences from **pilot projects**

Steps for writing, consultations and validation

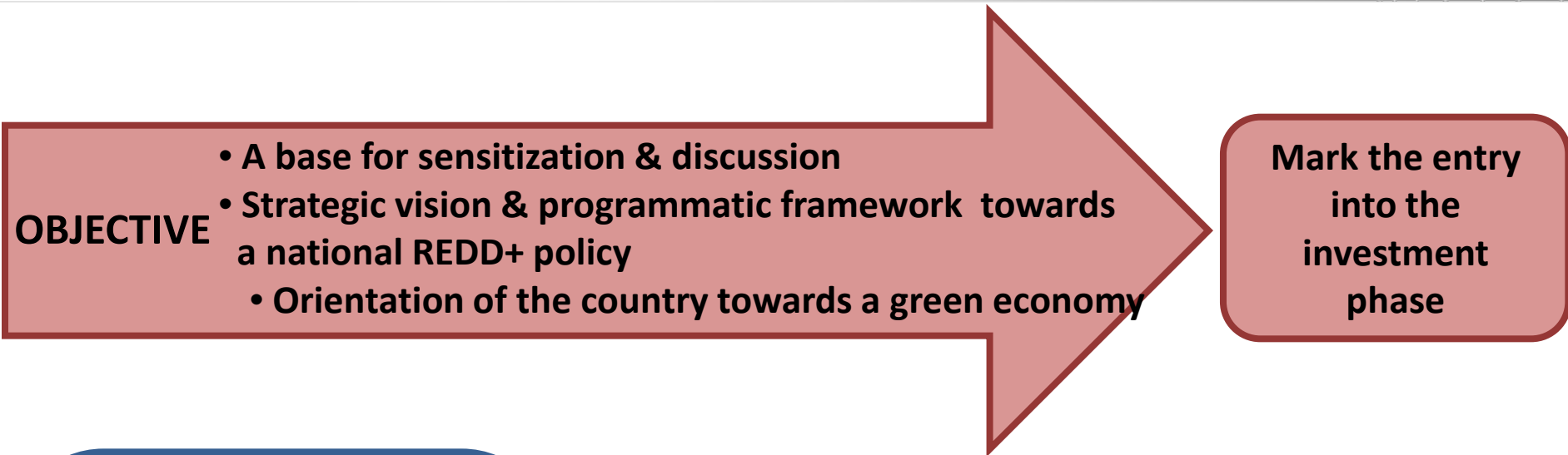
In order to guaranty its legitimacy, the Strategy was developped according to an approch based on consultations of all stakeholders, follow by a national validation. The Consultation and validation Plan iclude the following steps, for year 2012

	Steps for development and consultation	Periode
1	Brainstorming Corpus programmatique with the Thématique Coordinations (TC) → v0	Avril- Mai
2	Writing by the CN-REDD experts → v1.0	Août- Sept
3	Consultations with the Thématique Coordinations → v1.1	Sept- Oct.
4	Consultations in 2 Provinces	Début nov.
5	Politic consultations with sectoral ministries and the Premier Minister Cabineton the strategic pillars and orientations	Début nov.
6	Consultations (a) Members of the Comités National et Interministériel REDD, (b)civil society, (c) private sector, (d) other stakeholders	Octobre - novembre
7	Writting of other sections of strategy -framework → v2.0	Fin oct. début nov
8	Consultations with the TC	Début nov.
9	Writing finalisation based on consultations → v3	Début nov.

	Etapes de validation	Période
1	National Workshop	Mi novembre
2	Comité National REDD	Mi novembre
3	Government Validation	Fin novembre



Why a REDD+ framework-strategy?



The (necessary) framework for investment is set :

- ✓ National REDD+ Framework Strategy
- ✓ National REDD+ Fund
- ✓ Social & environmental standards
- ✓ National forests monitoring system
- ✓ National registry & projects approval process

Consolidation of the Policy Dialogue

Within the Government :

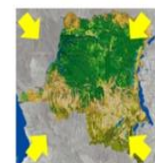
- *Integration into sectoral & transversal policies*
- *Definition of objectives*

Government & International Community :

- *Relevance of DRC propositions*
- *Respective commitments (DRC & Partners)*
- *ODA alignment to take REDD+ into consideration*

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL STRATEGY

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Programmes thématiques & sectoriels

Principalement
Politiques & Réformes, et
interventions de portée à
vocation nationale

		Activités habilitantes	Activités sectorielles
Prog 1	Agriculture		
Prog 2			
Prog 3	Energie		
Prog 4	Forêt		
Prog 5	Gouvernance		
Prog 6	Démographie		
Prog 7	Foncier		
Prog 9	Aménagement du Territoire		

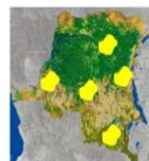
REFORMS

*REDD+ Agenda supports the
implementation of key
national reforms*



Fortes synergies à établir

2 grands
types
d'approches



Programmes intégrés

Mise en œuvre transversale,
intégrée et à large-échelle
des 7 piliers de la Stratégie-
cadre REDD+ dans des zones
d'enjeux REDD+ fort

		Activités habilitantes	Activités sectorielles
Prog 7 (Zone A)		Agriculture Energie Forêt	
		Gouvernance Démographie AT Foncier	
Prog 8 (Zone B)		Agriculture Energie Forêt	
		Gouvernance Démographie AT Foncier	

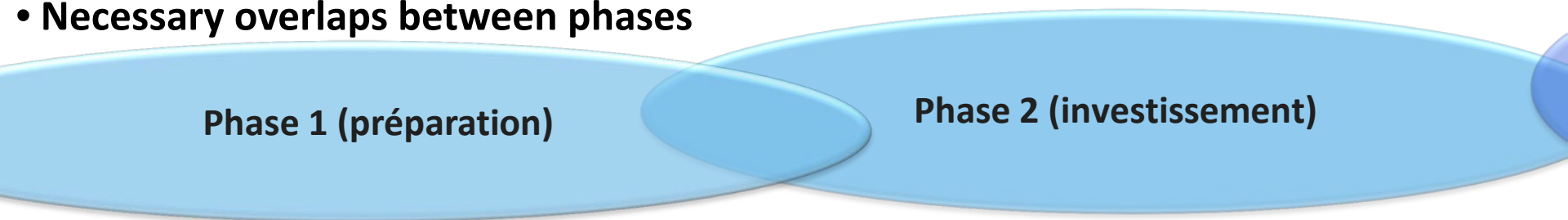
IMPLEMENTATION

*Integrated Area-based
Programmes with the aim of
aligning main national
investments to REDD+
objectives*

DRC REDD+ Process

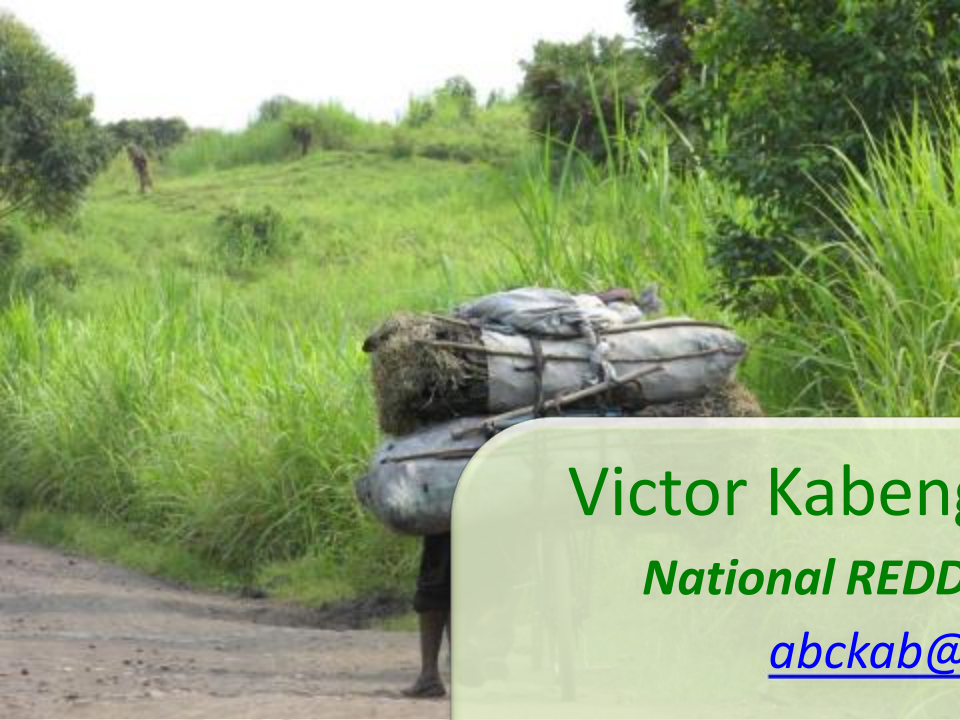
Rapid progress in different phases of REDD+

- A process launch in 2009
- Necessary overlaps between phases



Key Elements for success

- Large and inclusive participation of all stakeholders
- Politic ownership at a high level
- Dynamic and permanent consultation
- Strengthening IEC (Information, Education and Communication)
- Capacity building
- Implementation on the ground (reforms, pilot projects)
- Means of implementation (finances)



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Thank You!

Documents available on

www.redd.cd