



*UGANDA'S R-PACKAGE  
WORLD BANK REPORT  
AS DELIVERY PARTNER*

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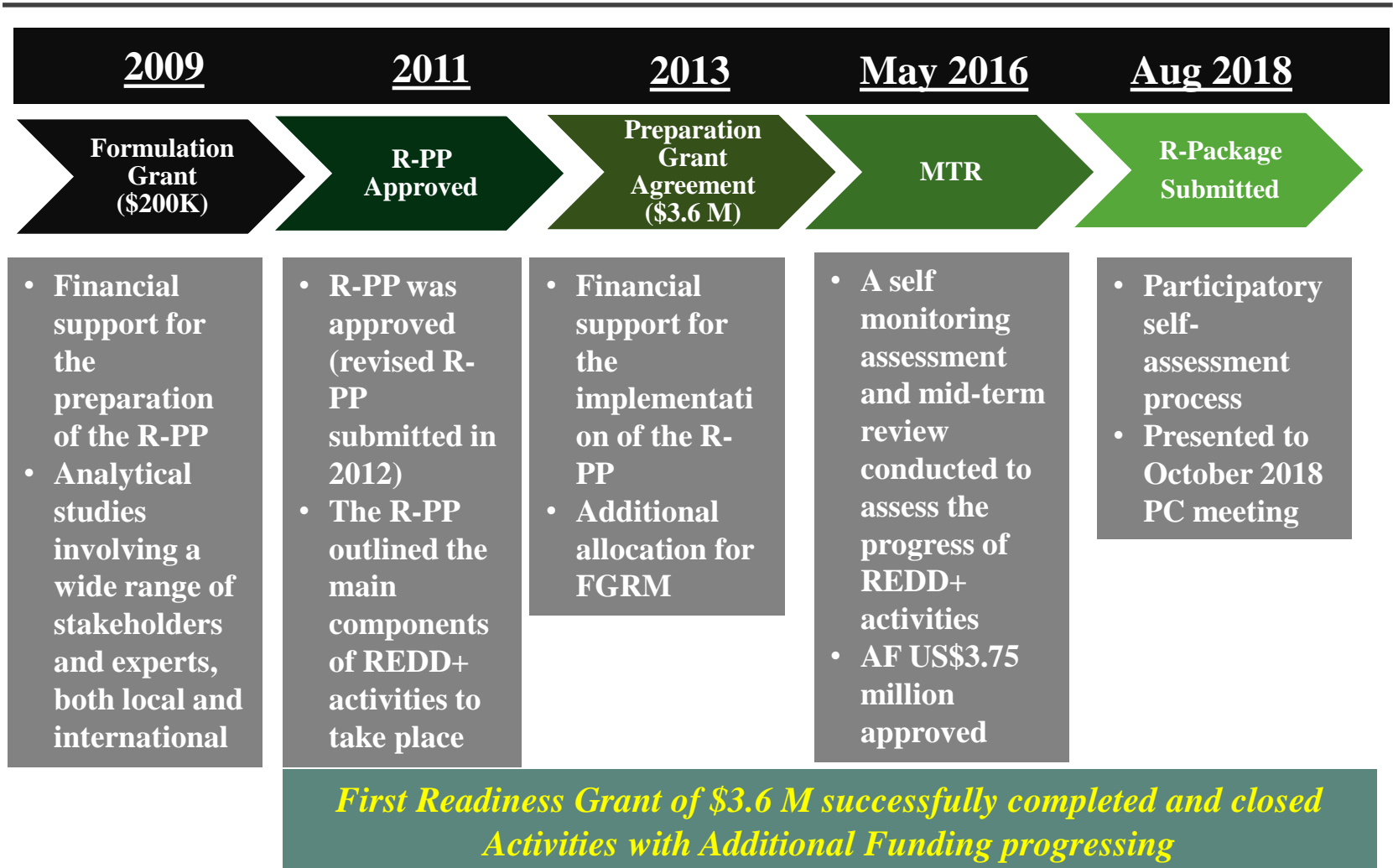
# UGANDA'S FOREST

- Important to economy
- Support high levels of biodiversity and provide a base for tourism
- Livelihoods (fuel wood, food sources)

Forests cover 12% of land area and are rapidly declining



# STEPS TOWARDS REDD+ READINESS



*UN REDD National Programme – 2013-2017 – US\$1.98 million*  
*Austrian Development Cooperation support – 2014-2017 – US\$0.9 million equivalent*  
*Government of Uganda funding*

## FCPF GRANT OBJECTIVE

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### **The Project Development Objective:**

To design a socially and environmentally viable national strategy for reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation as compared to a reference level

**Aligned with Uganda Country Partnership Framework FY16-FY21 - Strategic Focus Area B: Raising Incomes in Rural Areas, objective of enhancing resilience of the poor and vulnerable**

### **Specific Components supported by FCPF include:**

- 1. Coordination and Monitoring of REDD+ Readiness Process***
  - 2. Stakeholder Engagement and Feedback in Readiness Process***
  - 3. REDD+ Strategy and SESA***
  - 4. REDD+ Implementation Framework***
  - 5. National Reference Scenario and Inventory of Forest Resources***
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## ALLOCATED FUNDS AND DISBURSEMENT

FCPF grant Components	Total funding, \$ mln	Original grant, \$ mln	AF grant, \$ mln
<b>1. Coordination and Monitoring of REDD+ Readiness Process</b>	<b>1.125</b>	0.6	0.525
<b>2. Stakeholder Engagement and Feedback in Readiness Process</b>	<b>0.76</b>	0.66	0.1
<b>3. REDD+ Strategy and SESA</b>	<b>1.13</b>	0.83	0.3
<b>4. REDD+ Implementation Framework</b>	<b>1.13</b>	0.18	0.95
<b>5. National Reference Scenario and Inventory of Forest Resources</b>	<b>2.54</b>	1.14	1.4
<i>Contingency</i>	<b>0.705</b>	0.23 <i>unutilized</i>	0.475
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7.384</b>	<b>3.634</b>	<b>3.75</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENT</b>		Closed (June 2017)	1.43 million disbursed to date On track to use all funds by Dec 2019

## R-PACKAGE PROCESS

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- Over 100 persons consulted as part of the assessment exercise – including National REDD+ Secretariat, National Technical Committee for REDD+, task forces, NGOs. Final results validated by the National Climate Change Advisory Committee (apex body on CC and REDD+ in Uganda) and a meeting of Civil Society Organizations.
- Independent consultant (with experience of supporting R-Package process in GH and LR) engaged to guide the assessment team
- R-Package is comprehensive & has been validated by stakeholders
- A voluntary effort to support future ER Program development
- Scores reflect the different opinions of the stakeholders on each criterion or set of criteria

## PROGRESS ON KEY ACTIVITIES SINCE MTR IN MAY 2016

<b>R-PP Component</b>	<b>Status</b>
Organize and consult	Well advanced as evidenced by the continued operations of national and subnational management arrangements. Comprehensive stakeholder consultations and engagement throughout the process. Special attention to the inclusion of women, indigenous peoples and marginalized groups in the national REDD+ process and gender integration. Self selection of civil society and indigenous peoples' representatives to the national governing structure for REDD+.
Prepare the REDD+ Strategy	REDD+ Strategy, including a detailed analysis of Strategic Options, prepared, endorsed in country and launched at the UNFCCC COP in Dec 2017. Simultaneous REDD+ Strategy preparation and SESA processes; env and soci analysis informed choice of Strategic Options
Develop a Reference Level	FREL developed and submitted to UNFCCC in Jan 2017. Technical Assessment completed, positive feedback
Designing a Monitoring System	Design of and capacity building for NFMS and SIS ongoing, to be completed by Dec 2019

## GRANT MANAGEMENT, COORDINATION AND COLLABORATION

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- Additional Funding grant signed in October 2017 – under implementation, disbursement rate – 38% (plus 14% committed); Closing Date – December 31, 2019
- Original grant closed in June 2017, 94% utilization
- Parallel support from Austrian Development Cooperation (closed in June 2017) and UN REDD National Programme (closed in December 2017) – close cooperation, joint missions, joint planning, coordination in implementation
- Important to acknowledge contribution of GOU’s own funds
- Development of Uganda’s Forest Investment Plan built on the National REDD+ Strategy and ongoing processes

“The joint program planning between the GoU, UN-REDD, World Bank and ADC is an excellent example of leveraging that strengthens the delivery of a national REDD+ program.”

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# KEY ACHIEVEMENTS AND CHALLENGES GOING FORWARD

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## Key Achievements:

- Submission of R-Package is evidence of Uganda's commitment to REDD+
- Development of Uganda's Forest Investment Plan as an implementation plan for Uganda's REDD+

## Key Challenges:

- Managing stakeholder expectations;
- Creating momentum for REDD+ implementation phase / demonstration of results without commitments for purchase of emission reductions.



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- Uganda made good progress with REDD+ Readiness, with support from the FCPF, UN REDD Programme, and Austrian Development Cooperation
  - World Bank supports Uganda's R-Package Assessment



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Thank You!