

**MECHANISM FOR REDUCING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS ORIGINATING FROM DEFORESTATION AND FOREST DEGRADATION (REDD)
STRATEGY OF THE CONGO BASIN COUNTRIES**

Components	Sub-components	Activities	Implementation			Deadlines		Technical partners	Financial partners	Facilitation	REDD working group	Amounts	Comments	Correspondence R PLAN
			Regional	National	Regional steering	Short term	Long term							
1. Inventory of deforestation and forest degradation														
1.1 Study on the causes of deforestation and forest degradation														
		Preparation of a summary of the State of the Forests specifically on the causes of deforestation and forest degradation	R					OFAC (CIFOR, CIRAD, Maryland, etc)	CBFP members			Focal Point RDC - French Coop	In addition to the long-term planning study already in progress, preparation of a summary for use by the Focal Points for REDD	
		Evaluation of areas: see transversal component emissions monitoring												
1.2 Analysis of policies implemented in the countries and impact on deforestation and forest degradation														
		Summary of recent studies adapted to the Focal Point requirements for REDD											Studies available in each country and at regional level: FAO studies - harmonisation of forestry policies with other sector-based policies, comparative analysis of forestry codes, regional action plan - agreement on combating desertification, CBD working group programme	
		Identification of missing analyses/studies												
		Preparation of reference terms supplementary studies												
		Conduct of national studies							CBFP/other			Focal Point - World Bank	Supplementary studies (Analysis of Sector-based Forestry Plans - Environment and others)	Preparation of R-PLAN (Comp.1: Land Use, forestry policy and governance quick assessment)
		Summary of studies carried out in the countries on a regional level	R										Regional summary (FCPF regional approach) in conjunction with other international agreements	
1.3 Evaluation of current and historic greenhouse emissions associated with deforestation and forest degradation														
see cross-cutting component on emissions monitoring														
2. emissions reference scenarios relating to deforestation and forest degradation														
2.1 Production of reference scenarios														
		Preparation of terms of reference for studies (national and regional)	R											Preparation of R-PLAN (Comp.7: Develop a reference scenario of DD)
		Phase 1. Diagnostic study on methodologies / selection (modelling)	R					FCPF/REDD Scientific Committee	CBFP			Focal Point Gabon - FCPF	In conjunction with FCPF workshop on modelling methodologies	
		Phase 2. Diagnostic of the future drivers of deforestation and forest degradation and modelling of future pressure of deforestation and forest degradation	R	N				Maryland, etc), WHRC, Scientific Committee	World Bank/others (CBFP, Norway)			Focal Point Gabon - World Bank	Ensure the involvement of national experts To be carried out in partnership with the OFAC under the aegis of COMIFAC	Implementation of R-PLAN (Comp.7: Develop a reference scenario of DD)
		Phase 3. Definition of possible reference scenario(s)							FCPF				Consultation and validation workshops at national and regional level	Implementation of R-PLAN (Comp.7: Develop a reference scenario of DD)
2.2 Evaluation of associated greenhouse gas emissions														
see cross-cutting component emissions monitoring														
3. Analysis and definition of potential strategies for combating deforestation and forest degradation														
3.1 Definition of different possible policies														
		Improvement of existing policies												Preparation of R-PLAN (3. Design the REDD strategy/3a. Assess candidate activities for a REDD strategy)
		Definition of new policies							FCPF					
3.2 Comparative study of these policies on the basis of a modelling of the respective impacts														
		Evaluation of associated greenhouse emissions avoided							FCPF					
		Evaluation of constraints inferred							FCPF					
		Economic, social and environmental analysis (opportunity costs)							FCPF					Preparation and implementation of R-PLAN (3. Design the REDD strategy + 5. Assess the social & environmental impacts)
		Study of alternatives for reducing emissions in other sectors							FCPF					
3.3 Consultation and validation														
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		Official adoption by the governments												
4. REDD implementation framework														
		Definition of the structuring of national scale projects/Setting up of a national carbon register							FCPF					
		Setting up of a mechanism for distributing REDD income/incentives							FCPF					
		Definition of carbon legal framework							FCPF					
		Definition of mechanism for financial management, marketing of REDD credits							FCPF					Preparation and implementation of R-PLAN (Comp. 4 REDD implementation framework)
CROSS-CUTTING COMPONENTS														
1- Measures for monitoring greenhouse gas emissions (calculation and monitoring)														
1.1 Measures for monitoring forest cover														
		Summary of existing data	R						OFAC/OSFAC					Incorporated into the OFAC working programme
		Study on the availability of images	R						OFAC/OSFAC					Preparation of R-PLAN (Comp 8. Design and implement a monitoring, reporting and verification system for REDD)
		Evaluation of national capacities (infrastructures and images)							OFAC/OSFAC					
		Mobilisation of a mobile receiving station	R						OFAC/OSFAC					
		Study regarding the setting up of a receiving station	R						OFAC/OSFAC			AFD/DFID		
		Selection of monitoring methodology	R						OFAC/OSFAC					Implementation of R-PLAN (Comp 8.)
		Setting up of a receiving station	R						OFAC/OSFAC					
		Pre-processing of images	R						OFAC/OSFAC					
		Setting up/strengthening of national SIG units							OFAC/OSFAC					Implementation of R-PLAN (Comp 8. Design and implement a monitoring, reporting and verification system)
		Processing and interpretation of images							OFAC/OSFAC					
1.2 Carbon stock measurements														
		Diagnostic study of participants and existing data							OFAC					
		Elaboration of terms of reference for studies	R						OFAC					Preparation of R-PLAN (Comp 8. Design and implement a monitoring, reporting and verification system for REDD)
		Conduct of national studies - carbon stocks/allometric equations							OFAC					Implementation of R-PLAN (Comp 8.)
		Summary of studies carried out in the countries on a regional level	R						OFAC					
		Platform for the technical exchange of data between the countries	R						REDD Scientific and Technical Committee/OFAC					
		Setting up/reinforcement of national forest stocks							OFAC					Implementation of R-PLAN (Comp 8.)
1.3 Reporting of greenhouse gas emissions originating from deforestation and forest degradation in accordance with GIEC guidelines														
		Capacity building /inventory training	R											Preparation and implementation of R-PLAN (Comp 8. Design and implement a monitoring, reporting and verification system for REDD)
2 - Institutional environment														
2.1 Setting up of REDD coordinating bodies at regional level														
		Setting up of a regional consultation platform between partners	R											
		Setting up of a REDD regional scientific committee	R											
		Reinforcement of REDD COMIFAC working group	R											
		Support for REDD coordination at regional level	R											
2.2 Setting up of REDD coordinating bodies at national level														
		Setting up REDD national committees/making these operational												Preparation and implementation of R-PLAN (Comp.2 Management of Readiness)
2.3 Involvement of and consultation with civil society														
		Preparation of civil society consultation plan for the whole process												Preparation of R-PLAN (Comp.2 Management of Readiness)
		Implementation of consultation plan												Implementation of R-PLAN (Comp.2 Management of Readiness)
3 - Support for negotiation (see sheet A3)														
3.1 Support for negotiators in Central African countries														
		Organisation of consultation meetings	R											
		Preparation of technical orientation documents	R											
		Strengthening country participation in major negotiation meetings	R											
3.2 Support for the implementation of strategic studies														
		Conduct of an impact study of REDD mechanisms on countries' policies	R											
		Evaluation of the positions of different countries with regard to REDD	R											
3.3 Development of technical exchanges														
		Organisation of regional and international technical and scientific workshops	R											France/GTZ/UNREDD/WWF
		Exchanges with negotiators from other regions	R											France/GTZ/UNREDD/WWF

