

**FOREST CARBON PARTNERSHIP FACILITY (FCPF)
TWELFTH PARTICIPANTS COMMITTEE MEETING**

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Resolution PC/12/2012/1

The Role of the Readiness Package in the FCPF and the Readiness Preparation Process

Whereas:

1. Section 6.4(a) of the Charter Establishing the FCPF (the “Charter”) provides that a REDD Country Participant, based on progress in implementing its Readiness Preparation Proposal (R-PP), may submit its Readiness Package (R-Package) to the Facility Management Team (FMT) and request the Participants Committee (PC) to endorse it;
2. Section 6.4(b) of the Charter further notes that the REDD Country Participant whose R-Package has been endorsed by the PC may submit one or more Emission Reductions Programs (ER Program) to the FMT for consideration by the Carbon Fund Participants; and
3. The FCPF Participants and Observers have discussed (i) purpose; (ii) scope; (iii) assessment process; and (iv) PC endorsement of the R-Package since the tenth meeting of the PC, and the FMT has prepared a Note on the Role of the Readiness Package in the FCPF and the Readiness Preparation Process (FMT Note 2012-6) based on the discussions.

The Participants Committee,

1. Agrees on (a) purposes; (b) scope; (c) assessment process, and (d) endorsement process as described below:

(a) Purposes of the R-Package

While recognizing that the preparation of an R-Package and its submission to the PC are voluntary under the Readiness Fund, that reporting requirements are stipulated in the grant agreements between the REDD Country Participants and the Delivery Partners, and that an endorsement of an R-Package is nonetheless required before an ER Program can be submitted for consideration by the Carbon Fund Participants, the purposes of the R-Package are to:

- (i) Provide an opportunity to REDD Country Participants to self-assess the progress on REDD+ Readiness for each of the components and sub-components specified in the scope section below and to identify any remaining gaps and further needs;
- (ii) Demonstrate a REDD Country Participant’s commitment to REDD+ Readiness and transparency in performing readiness preparation activities, and thereby providing confidence to donors and national and international stakeholders; and

- (iii) Generate feedback and guidance to REDD Country Participants through a national multi-stakeholder self-assessment and PC assessment processes, taking into account relevant developments under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and without prejudging any of its decisions.

(b) Scope of the R-Package

The scope of the R-Package is national and encompasses all Readiness preparation activities, including those financed by other funding sources. The content of the R-Package mirrors the R-PP's four components and their respective sub-components as listed below.¹ In addition, the R-Package may highlight additional funding needs identified through the national multi-stakeholder self-assessment process.

1. Readiness Organization and Consultation
 - 1a. National REDD+ Management Arrangements
 - 1b. Consultation, Participation, and Outreach
2. REDD+ Strategy Preparation
 - 2a. Assessment of Land Use, Land Use Change Drivers, Forest Law, Policy and Governance
 - 2b. REDD+ Strategy Options
 - 2c. Implementation Framework
 - 2d. Social and Environmental Impacts
3. Reference Emissions Level/Reference Levels
4. Monitoring Systems for Forests and Safeguards
 - 4a. National Forest Monitoring System
 - 4b. Information System for Multiple Benefits, Other Impacts, Governance, and Safeguards

(c) Assessment Process of the R-Package

The assessment process of the R-Package shall consist of two stages:

- (i) a national multi-stakeholder self-assessment performed by a REDD Country Participant; and
- (ii) an assessment by the PC. The PC receives input from a TAP, the respective Delivery Partner, and others for the assessment.

(d) Endorsement Process of the R-Package

Upon completion of the assessment processes specified above, the PC will consider the R-Package with a view to adopting a resolution endorsing the R-Package.

2. Requests the FMT to commence the development of the R-Package Assessment Framework in collaboration with REDD Country Participants, with the support from external consultants, as follows:

¹ The components and sub-components listed here are based on those included in version 6 of the R-PP template, and only include those that are relevant at the R-Package stage.

- (i) Identify and consider existing and relevant practices of self-assessment processes, including those that are already used by the REDD Country Participants;
- (ii) Develop a draft R-Package Assessment Framework (“draft Framework”), with relevant criteria for REDD+ Readiness for each of the components and sub-components listed above;
- (iii) Consider comments from the FCPF Participants and Observers,² and other relevant stakeholders, to inform initial approaches;
- (iv) Provide an update at the thirteenth meeting of the PC (PC13) on the development of the draft Framework and the comments received;
- (v) Make the draft Framework available on the FCPF website for comments and suggestions, and use other means to solicit feedback from relevant stakeholders, that can be considered by the FMT in the development and revision of the draft Framework; and
- (vi) Share the draft Framework above no later than the fourteenth meeting of the PC (PC14) for its review and approval.

² As per Section 1.01(e) of the Rules of Procedure for the PC meeting, “Observers” is defined as “observers referred to in Section 11.7 (a) and (b) of the Charter, and the entities referred to in Section 8.01 of the Rules.”