



Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

Draft Action Plan on FCPF Evaluation: SESA / Consultation and Participation

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SESA/ESMF Guidance

R3 (RF) Produce useful tools to support the implementation of the SESA/ESMF.

- The PC should request the FMT to produce guidance on the sequencing of the SESA/ESMF with other components of REDD Readiness implementation, especially for the development of the National REDD+ Strategy.
- In addition, produce a well-structured SESA/ESMF template with detailed guidance, requirements and steps for implementation. The template could include guidance on how to synergize SESA/ESMF work to comply with Delivery Partner, FIP and UNFCCC safeguard requirements.
- As consultations are an integral part of SESA process, this recommendation is closely linked to recommendation R2 (CF) on further guidance to countries on consultations for ER-PD preparation, including the need to address the communication aspects of REDD+ at country level for managing expectations.



Consultations

R2 (CF) Include detailed guidance on how to manage consultations during the ER-PIN formulation process, focusing on targeted consultations. The detailed guidance should be presented in the ER-PIN template and as a guidance note that other programs could also use.

- Targeted consultations in REDD countries are currently guided by consultation and participation plans. This is intended to address expectations.
- With countries focusing on jurisdictions, consultations are being tailored only to relevant stakeholders in those jurisdictions.
- Consultations are aligned to the country priority areas, sectors, interest groups, drivers of deforestation etc.



Proposed Actions

- The FMT proposes to undertake a review and assessment of selected countries whose work on SESA/ESMF is complete, and where the ESMF is applied in the ER program area. SESA is designed to be context specific.
- The review will produce case studies that will contribute to much needed practical guidance.
- The review will be oriented to identifying and analyzing key lessons, accomplishments, challenges, and ways to streamline these processes within FCPF.
- Further, the FCPF will review current consultation and participation plans and streamline them in a more targeted manner.



Proposed actions

- The results of this review will be shared with REDD+ countries through south-south exchanges, in country missions and other available avenues.
- It will review the level of stakeholder participation especially forest dependent communities, CSOs, etc.
- The work will be supported through a consultancy with support from the WB social and environment safeguard teams.
- Options for specifically including gender assessments in SESA will be considered.



...other SESA related guidance

Benefit sharing for REDD+: The FCPF will work with the PROFOR team and through consultants to develop practical guidance and lessons that will be beneficial to REDD+ countries and REDD+ practitioners.

- Various stakeholders will be involved to review and provide feedback on this product.

The World Bank recently undertook an internal SESA/ESMF safeguards review in the Africa region. The findings confirmed the relevance of SESAs in results-based type of operations.



Summary

- Several countries have now completed the SESA process providing invaluable lessons that will be shared after the proposed assessment.
- The relevance of SESA and its highly participatory approach has led to quality analysis of social and environmental risks, reducing REDD+ misconceptions.
- Other countries not necessarily part of the FCPF have found SESA relevant in forests and landscapes programs/projects, e.g. jurisdictional SESA in Zambia.
- Other sectors within the WB are conducting SESAs including energy and mining.



We welcome feedback on the proposed actions.

Thank you

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