

3a. Update on Country Needs Assessment

Joint Meeting between the UN-REDD Policy Board and FCPF Participants Committee

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Progress Update and Draft Methodology

- Background
- Presentation of methodological approach: Harrison Kojwang and Gisela Ulloa
- Feedback

Background

- UN-REDD Policy Board (PB6) requested a country needs assessment to be conducted in order to inform the planning of future National and Global Programmes
- PB7 approved the concept note for the countries needs assessment, including establishment of a Policy Board working group.
- FCPF Participants Committee (PC10) Resolution in Berlin requested a quick assessment of readiness needs in order to provide information to guide up-scaling of efforts to support REDD+ countries in effective implementation of REDD+ readiness processes
- A Working Group established by the UN-REDD Policy Board providing oversight on this work.

Background

- Terms of reference for assessment were shared with FCPF Participants Committee and UN-REDD Policy Board members with a view to undertaking assessment jointly
- Working Group has supported the idea of a joint assessment, following previous PB and PC decisions recommending collaboration between the multilaterals
- Total estimated budget for the assessment is \$84,000.

Background

- Feedback received from PC:
 - Welcomed the idea that initiatives undertake assessment jointly
 - Reflected that scope of work mandated by FCPF PC was a 'quick assessment of needs' and therefore may not require in-depth country level assessment; could be based on survey only
 - Members expressed interest in hearing about the methodological approach;
 - FCPF REDD Country Participant be represented on the CNA working group
- Based on feedback, FMT suggested that FCPF participate and leverage on findings of desk review and survey component of the methodology
- Budget: FCPF share is estimated at \$34,000

Update

- Working Group commissioned consultants for undertaking the assessment.
- Draft methodology for approach to needs assessment shared with PC and UN-REDD Policy Board members
- Draft methodology presented and approved by PB yesterday
- PC may wish to discuss this further in the contact group to be formed on Strategic Direction of the FCPF