

## REDD Readiness Progress Fact Sheet

### COUNTRY: REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON

October, 2013

#### 1. R-PP Preparation and FCPF Readiness grant

- CAMEROON presented its Readiness Preparation Proposal (R-PP) for assessment by the FCPF Participants Committee (PC) at its 13th meeting held in October 2012 in Brazzaville, Republic of Congo. At this meeting, the PC adopted a resolution PC/13/2012/2 and allocated funding to Cameroon to enable it to move ahead with the preparation for readiness. The PC requested Cameroon to submit a revised R-PP addressing the key issues included in the annex of the resolution.
- Cameroon submitted a revised R-PP to the FCPF FMT on January 10, 2013.
- On February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013, the revised R-PP (in both French and English) and FMT completeness check report were posted on the FCPF website, with a 14-day period (lasting until Thursday, February 21, 2013) for comments.
- As the FMT did not receive any objection by February 21, the resolution PC/13/2012/2 to allocate a readiness preparation grant to Cameroon is effective.
- The WB internal due diligence process is ongoing. From June 12 to 22, 2013, a World Bank team completed the assessment note through a mission in Cameroon for final discussions with local authorities, representatives of civil society and more broadly with all the stakeholders involved in the REDD+ process in Cameroon.
- The World Bank review meeting took place on September 12, 2013, and the World Bank team was instructed to move toward grant signature.
- The FMT seeks a signature of the grant agreement by mid December 2013.

#### 2. National REDD Readiness Management Arrangements

- The REDD Steering Committee is the decision-making body for the REDD+ process. This Steering Committee was established by order No. 103/CAB/PM of June 13, 2012, signed by the Prime Minister. According to this order, the REDD+ steering committee is responsible for:
  1. making policy and strategy proposals concerning REDD+ initiatives;
  2. issuing reasoned opinions concerning the strategies for implementing the REDD+ mechanism;
  3. developing project selection criteria for submission to the Minister of the Environment for validation;
  4. evaluating and submitting for the approval of the Minister of the Environment the project ideas proposed by the promoters;
  5. promoting the REDD+ activities;
  6. validating the work and approving the action plan of the Technical Secretariat, which is the implementing body of the REDD+ process on a daily basis.
- Both entities, REDD Steering Committee and Technical Secretariat, are not up and running so far, although created.

#### 3. Stakeholder Consultations and Communication

- The Government and other partners have maintained the consultation process mainly with the Civil Society. The partners are meeting once a month, this allows information sharing. The Regional GEF-REDD program has agreed to finance the preparation of the communication strategy. The hiring process is underway.

#### 4. REDD Strategy Preparation

- Due diligence process underway

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5. Implementation Framework

- Due diligence process underway

6. SESA

- Due diligence process underway

7. Development of a Reference Scenario

- Due diligence process underway

8. MRV

- Due diligence process underway

9. Other

- The CSOs platform has received a US\$100,000 grant from the WB to pursue its activities at communal level.
- The Assessment Note validated at the World Bank review meeting on September 12, 2013 includes the following activities:

Project Activities	R-PP component	FCPF Grant (in US\$ thousands)
<b>1. Support to the national readiness management arrangements</b>		<b>1,600</b>
<i>1.1 Coordination of the REDD+ Readiness Process</i>	<b>1A</b>	<b>900</b>
1.1.1 Setting up the Technical Secretariat team		350
1.1.2 Operational costs of the REDD+ Technical Secretariat		400
1.1.3 Operational costs of sub-national REDD+ structures		150
<i>1.2 Support for stakeholder engagement</i>	<b>1C</b>	<b>700</b>
1.2.1 Consultation and participation for activities to be implemented under the FCPF grant		300
1.2.2 Strengthening sub-national REDD+ structures		350
1.2.3 Implementation of the communication strategy on REDD+		50
<b>2. Support to the design of a national REDD+ Strategy</b>		<b>1,350</b>
<i>2.1 Preparation of the National REDD+ Strategy</i>		<b>300</b>
2.1.1 In-depth analysis of drivers of deforestation and forest degradation in the five agro-ecological zones	<b>2A</b>	150
2.1.2 In-depth analysis of strategic options to address deforestation and forest degradation in the five agro-ecological zones	<b>2B</b>	150
<i>2.2 Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment (SESA)</i>	<b>2D</b>	<b>600</b>
2.2.1 Hiring the SESA Unit experts		200
2.2.2 SESA and development of Environmental Social Management Framework (ESMF)		400
<i>2.3 Feedback and grievance redress mechanism</i>	<b>1A</b>	<b>200</b>

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<i>2.4 Preparation of REDD+ national implementation framework</i>	<i>2C</i>	<i>250</i>
<b>3. Informing the national reference scenario for REDD+</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>650</b>
<b>Total Costs</b>		<b>3,600</b>