

# Completeness check for the Readiness Preparation Proposal from Ethiopia

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## Context

The FCPF Participants Committee adopted Resolution **PC/8/2011/4** in March 2011 whereby it decides to allocate funding to Ethiopia to enable it to move ahead with the preparation for readiness and requests the country to submit a revised R-PP to the FMT, addressing the *key issues* identified in the resolution.

Ethiopia has revised its R-PP and submitted a revised version of the document to the FMT on May 25, 2011. The note below presents how the *key issues* have been addressed in this revised version.

It is the FMT's view that this revised final version of the R-PP fully responds to the *key issues* identified in Resolution number **PC/8/2011/4**.

### Key Issues identified in resolution PC/8/2011/4

Issue	Response in the revised R-PP
Provide more detail on how Ethiopia plans to deal with weak law enforcement and illegality in the forestry sector.	Ethiopia included a section on "Strengthening the Enforcement of Laws" under R-PP component 2b. This section indicates that "existing experiences and lessons acquired from on-going forest management activities as well as outcomes of pilot action research of the implementation phase of the R-PP will feed into the establishment of an effective mechanism for law enforcement in the forest sector". In addition, this section identifies a series of six concrete activities that should be implemented in order to strengthen law enforcement in the country (Empowering and strengthening local community organizations; Institutionalizing the required inspection and regulatory activities at the federal regional and district (woreda) levels; Increasing the number of forest inspectors and the frequency of inspection; Capacity building and empowerment of the inspectors; Creating a wood (timber) product certification system and traceability of origin of timber and Strengthening coordination between the judiciary and public prosecution authorities.)
Review and revise the timeframe for proposed readiness activities and budget, taking into account current and potential sources of funding.	The timeframe and budget for the proposed readiness activities have been revised, taking into account current and potential sources of funding.
Explain Ethiopia's vision for creating a dedicated forestry	The R-PP proposes conducting a needs assessment to clarify the structure and specific functions of the dedicated forestry

institution, and clarify the role of the Federal Environmental Protection Authority and other institutions, such the Ministry of Agriculture, for implementing the REDD-plus program in the interim period.

institution. This study should be conducted as part of the Readiness process. The R-PP further clarifies that the EPA should lead the implementation of the R-PP through a dedicated office, and that the implementation of REDD+ activities on the ground would be the responsibility of “key institutions including the MoA, the regional environmental agencies, the regional forest and wildlife enterprises and the EWCA.”