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# 1. R-PP Preparation and FCPF Readiness grant

- R-PP was positively assessed by FCPF PC at PC8 (March, 2011) acknowledging the high quality and the responsiveness in integrating initial input from civil society and Indigenous Peoples into the document.
- The PC 8 has decided to allocate funding to Peru to enable it to move ahead with the preparation for readiness.
- Peru has chosen the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) as a Delivery Partner. Negotiations on the Transfer Agreement to be signed between the World Bank, as the Trustee of the FCPF, and IDB have been completed and the agreement is expected to be signed in October, 2012.
- In the meantime, IDB has informally engaged with Peru in furthering preparations for due diligence.
- Peru will submit a revised R-PP to the FMT, reflecting the key issues in the summary report prepared by the FMT and included in the annex to the resolution PC/8/2011/7; and will report back to the PC at PC 13 on progress made, in close coordination with mesas REDD and the indigenous peoples organizations involved. This was the announcement made at PC 11 in March 2012.
- The revised R-PP was submitted to the FCPF PC in February 2014.
- The IDB Technical Cooperation Document has undergone the quality and risk review process within the Bank and is due to be approved by the Board of Directors on May 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Signature of the grant agreement between Peru and IDB is expected on or before May 31<sup>st</sup> 2014.

### 2. National REDD Readiness Management Arrangements

- A Steering Committee will be integrated by National Government, Sectors, regional governments and Advisory Groups.
- As the country is undergoing a decentralization process, regions are becoming building blocks of the national strategy (e.g. emission reference levels) and Management Arrangements.
- The relationship between the REDD+ program and the overarching Forest Conservation program is currently under discussion, as are early considerations of re-assigning or not authority over forests between the two ministries, for environment and for agriculture, respectively
- There has been active involvement from the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Economy and Finance and the representatives of the regional governments in the review process.
- The Forest Investment Plan, which is aligned with the R-PP review process, has been submitted on October 30.
- There is currently a Steering Committee for FIP (Ministry of the Environment, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Culture, Regional Governments and Indigenous Organizations), and it is also serving as a forum to discuss FCPF, since both are related processes. This Steering Committee will eventually become the Steering Committee of the Program Nacional de Conservación de Bosques para Mitigación de Cambio Climático (PNCBCC), overseeing all REDD+ related initiatives.
- The executing agency of the R-PP will be the PNCBCC.

# 3. Stakeholder Consultations and Communication

Several coordination meetings and workshops regarding the R-PP and REDD+ were organized (Mesa REDD, Mesa REDD Indígena, GTREDD, MINAM, others)

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- IP's have participated in coordination meetings and workshops.
- The REDD national round table ratified its willingness to contribute with the improvement of REDD+ process and continues to contribute in a proactive way.
- Consensus on text to be included was reached between National Government, IP and REDD national round table in the contexts of the R-PP formulation.
- Comments on first, second and third draft (formal submission) of the Peruvian R-PP had been carefully analyzed and most of them included.
- The revised R-PP is being shared through regional workshops at national scale. Part of this process has been conducted jointly with the Investment Plan diffusion process.
- The new version of the RPP reflects the agreements between the national government and IP's as well as the feedback received during the meetings with Mesa REDD.

# 4. REDD Strategy Preparation

- The R-PP presents an assessment of major land use trends, direct and indirect deforestation and degradation drivers in the most relevant sectors, and major land tenure and natural resource rights and relevant governance issues. It documents past successes and failures in implementing policies or measures for addressing drivers of deforestation and forest degradation, and identifies significant gaps, challenges, and opportunities to address REDD. The assessment sets the stage for development of the country's REDD strategy to directly address key land use change drivers.
- The R-PP indicates that more in depth analysis will be done at an early stage of R-PP implementation.
- The revised R-PP has used the products obtained for the preparation of the FIP Investment Plan.
- An outline of the Forest and Climate Change Strategy has been prepared jointly with the different sectors, including Ministry of the Environment, Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Economy and Finance and the representatives of the regional governments. The objective is to launch the strategy to the COP 20.

# 5. Implementation Framework

- The R-PP presents the current legislation including ratification of international treaty and then introduces some of the necessary modification of these legislations to accommodate REDD+. It identifies four issues at the heart of the challenges of REDD readiness in Peru are: (1) the link between national and subnational activities, (2) market uncertainties, (3) carbon ownership and (4) benefit sharing.
- The R-PP provides information on new laws that are very relevant for REDD implementation.
- The revised R-PP is considering new legislation including the new Forest Law and other relevant regulations and instruments.
- The RPP is considering specific institutional arrangements, based on the current institutional framework, with Programa Nacional de Conservación de Bosques (PNCB) most likely taking a central role.

#### 6. SESA

- Peru will follow up on SESA together with IDB.
- Peru attended the Workshop for Building Capacities for Social Inclusion in National REDD+ Processes, organized

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by FCPF in December 2013, and to be held in Bogota, Colombia.

# 7. Development of a Reference Scenario

No report on new activities at this stage.

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#### 8. MRV

- Peru is currently working on the monitoring system by completing data requirements and processing
- With regard to the reporting system on co-benefits, the focus will be on three different types of co-benefits, those associated with biodiversity, those of socio-economical nature and those linked to governance. Peru does not count with a baseline for biodiversity but the work plan of the National Forest Inventory contemplates to collect data on several relevant aspects of biodiversity to allow establishing such a baseline.
- The process of updating the R-PP has considered a revision of the MRV approach aligned to a national MRV system. Currently the institutional arrangements for the MRV implementation are under discussion based on an assessment of needs and capacities that is being undertaken.
- The IDB funded a study to assess the current status of Peru's forest monitoring capacity and provide suggestions to implement a National Forest Monitoring System (NFMS). A workshop was held between representatives of ministries, regional governments and donors to present the results of this study as well as the progress in forest monitoring made by other projects, including the REDD-MINAM project funded by KfW and Moore Foundation, as well as the Forest Observatory funded by OTCA. The institutional framework options that could be most effective to operate the NFMS is currently being assessed by the Government.

### 9. Other

- Peru presented a report on recent REDD+ developments for PC13, following up on Resolution PC8/2011/7.
- Peru has finalized the design of the Investment Plan for the Forest Investment Program (FIP).
- The FIP Investment Plan has been submitted to the CIF Admin Unit on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013.
- The Investment Plan was presented to the FIP Sub-Committee on October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The FIP Sub-Committee endorsed the Investment Plan as a basis for the further development of the projects foreseen in the Plan.
- During the presentation the Government of Peru and indigenous organizations gave a joint statement committing to maintain their joint work in the following stages of the FIP Investment Program, analyzing and identifying options to solve the issues that need to be discussed such as control and registry of early REDD+ initiatives, participation of indigenous technical staff in the formulation of the project proposals and the ways how communities will ensure their direct involvement in the implementation of project activities in the field.