Welcome to the Field Dialogue on REDD+ Benefit Sharing in Mexico

#REDD+BSMexico

2-5 June 2014
Chetumal, Mexico
Today’s Program

Morning Chair: Sergio Humberto Graf Montero

09:00 Opening, Welcome Address & Participant Introduction - Pedro Álvarez Icaza, CONABIO

09:30 International Context of REDD+ Benefit Sharing:
   – TFD’s REDD+ Benefit Sharing Initiative - Gary Dunning & Xiaoting Hou
   – Chair reflections on the field trip
   – Discussion

10:30 REDD+ Benefit Sharing in Mexico
   – Background Paper Presentation - Margaret Skutsch
   – Presentation from Secretariat of Ecology and the Environment, Quintana Roo - Carlos Rafael Antonio Muñoz Berzunza
   – Discussion

11:30 Coffee break

12:00 Plenary Discussion: Key Challenges for Designing and Implementing REDD+ Benefit Sharing in Mexico

13:30 Lunch

Afternoon Chair: Isilda Nhantumbo

14:30 Breakout Group Session 1: Stakeholder perspectives on key challenges in designing and implementing benefit sharing in Mexico

16:30 Break

17:00 Breakout group reports and plenary discussion

18:00 Adjourn for the day

19:30 Group Dinner
TFD & the REDD+ Initiatives

Gary Dunning and Xiaoting Hou
The Forests Dialogue

4 June 2014
Chetumal, Mexico
Welcome

Dialogue Co-Chairs

Sergio Humberto Graf Montero – CONAFORE
Isilda Nhantumbo – IIEC
Milagre Nuvunga - MICAIA Foundation
Rosa Maria Vidal - Pronatura-Sur
REDD+ Benefit Sharing Initiative

Global Partner

Initiative Support

Mexico Dialogue Hosts
The Forests Dialogue

Purpose
• Established in 2000 by NGO and Business Leaders
• Reduce conflict among stakeholders in the forest sector
• International platform and process to discuss key SFM and conservation issues
• Build mutual trust, enhanced understanding and commitment to change

Structure
• Steering Committee
• Secretariat
• Network of Partners
How TFD Works

Phase 1: ENGAGE
- TFD Steering Committee Identifies Local or Global Challenge
- Create Advisory Groups
- Work With Key Local and International Partners
- Scope the Issue Through Dialogue
- Share Information and Perspectives
- Identify Key Issues and “Fracture Lines”
- Analyze Conditions Underlying Key Challenges
- Identify Opportunities for Resolving “Fracture Line” Issues
- Prioritize Challenges
- Examine Conditions Underlying Key Challenges
- Identify Opportunities for Resolving “Fractures” Issues
- Prioritize Challenges
- Reevaluate & Redirect Work

Phase 2: EXPLORE
- Network With Partners to Promote Collaborative Solutions
- Advocate for Consensus-Based Policy at All Levels
- Identify Stakeholder Actions and Next Steps
- Facilitate Collaborative Action
- Seek Consensus

Phase 3: CHANGE
- Identify Opportunities for Resolving “Fracture Line” Issues
- Prioritize Challenges
- Reevaluate & Redirect Work
TFD Initiatives

Priority SFM Issues

- REDD+ Benefit Sharing
- Food, Fuel, Fiber and Forests
- Genetically Modified Trees
- Free, Prior, and Informed Consent
- Investing in Locally Controlled Forestry
- Forests & Poverty Reduction and Rural Livelihoods
- Intensively Managed Planted Forests
- Illegal Logging and Forest Governance
- Forests and Biodiversity Conservation
- Forest Certification
TFD’s Process

TFD Operates under the Chatham House Rule

“Participants are free to use the information received, but neither the identity nor the affiliation of the speaker(s), nor that of any other participant, may be revealed”.

Ground Rules

• Use mobiles and computers during breaks
• No video
• Pictures OK
• Use Name Tents
TFD’s Process

Spirit of Participation

- Active listening
- Constructive, solution oriented interventions
- Participate as individual
- Help define and own the outcomes
- Facilitation “light” / Co-Chair’s roles
TFDs Forest and Climate Change Related Initiatives

**Forest & Climate Change:**
- 275 Leaders

**Financing REDD+**:
- 100 Stakeholders

**REDD+ Readiness**:
- 240 Stakeholders

Brazil; Ghana; Guatemala; Ecuador; Cambodia

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**UNFCCC**
- **Bali**:
  - RED
  - Co-benefits/safeguard will “derail” RED

**Poznan**:
- REDD

**Copenhagen**:
- REDD+
- Consensus on principles and safeguards
- Phased approach

**Cancun**:
- Ratification of REDD+
- Guidance and safeguards for REDD+(in ANNEX 1)

**Durban**:
- Market and non-market mechanisms may be both appropriate

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**Other Multilateral Mechanisms**

**FCPF**
- UNREDD

**FIP**
- REDD+ Partnership

**UNREDD**
- 44 Countries

**FCPF**
- 37 Countries

**FIP**
- 8 Countries

**REDD+ Partnership**
- 75 Countries
REDD+ Readiness
Key Findings

- Establishment of a revenue and benefits distribution system
- Access to, use and availability of information and its use in capacity-building
- Effectiveness of multi-stakeholder participation and engagement mechanisms and processes
- Reform of policy and legislative frameworks, particularly those on tree and carbon rights
- Integration of REDD-plus policies with broader land-use plans and other sector and development plans
Objectives of REDD+ Benefit Sharing Initiative

• **Build a community of practice** among locally-rooted, well connected REDD practitioners to share experiences and to develop practical tools that support effective, efficient and equitable benefit sharing for REDD+;

• **Analyze the current state** of REDD+ Benefit Sharing in several countries and **identify the challenges and opportunities** of designing and implementing those mechanisms more broadly;

• **Promote appropriate economic, policy and institutional arrangements** at local, national and international levels to facilitate equitable and efficient delivery of REDD+ Benefit Sharing mechanisms.
REDD+ Benefit Sharing to Date

- Advisors: 16 experts representing communities, IP, gender experts, IGO, private sector, NGOs
- 23-24 March 2013 – Washington, DC

- 24-27 September, 2013 – Lam Dong, Vietnam
- 2-5 December, 2013 – Elmina, Ghana
- 24-28 February, 2014 – Lima and San Martin, Peru
- 2-5 June, 2-14 – Yucatán Peninsula, Mexico

- Continuing to build “Community of Practice”
- Share key outcomes in key international platforms including COP20
Key Issues(1)

What can be done in the immediate term to identify and work with beneficiaries when rights are unclear/or land right system is complicated?

• In the long-term, holistic devolution of natural resource management rights to communities

• Use lower-level legal instruments, e.g. documented ministerial documents, conservation contracts

• National Level- Set priorities to guide identification (e.g. poverty reduction)

• Sub-national level – multi-stakeholder platform to allow open discussions to identify beneficiaries based on local context

• Recognize existing customary system (Ghana & Peru)

• **Strengthen capacity to mediate conflicts and negotiate** benefits sharing
How to design national programs on REDD+ Benefit Sharing that accommodate different local context?

- Recognize the differences and linkage between project-level and national-level approaches
- Design a macro framework under clear societal goals at national-level to guide participatory design and implementation of Benefit Sharing based on sub-national contexts
- Ensure transparency and free access to information
- Feedback/grievance mechanisms
How to use multiple benefits to incentivize stakeholders at different levels and in different phases of REDD+?

- Different stakeholders have different interpretations of cash/non-cash benefits but desire multiple benefits from REDD+
  - Link short-term and long-term benefits
  - Build cross-sectoral collaboration and invest in sustainable land-use planning to maximize the benefits from forest landscapes
  - Provide education to make stakeholders value ecosystem services benefits
  - Design benefits based on cultural and spiritual values
  - Consider trade-offs among different benefits among different stakeholder groups
- Identify multiple benefits that can be used to incentivize stakeholders (e.g. access to market; new partnerships; technical support etc.)
Mapping Incentives for Different Landscapes
How to actively involve private sector in designing and implementing REDD+ Benefits Sharing?

- Recognize different types of private sector may need different incentives to engage
- Building the business case for private sector
- Build private and public sector partnership
On what basis can benefits be shared?

- Different mechanisms apply at different levels and through different phases of REDD+
- Leverage multiple benefits and include non-cash benefits at sub-national level
- Simplified messages and approaches at local level
How to reduce the costs of implementing REDD+?

- Build on existing programs where appropriate

- Invest in sustainable forest landscape management in ways that can generate income while reducing deforestation and degradation
Key Next Steps in Vietnam & Ghana & Peru

- Identify the bundle of benefits that can be used to incentivize stakeholders;
- Strengthen community forestry;
- Study and learn from existing mechanisms beyond PFES;
- Strengthen existing multi-stakeholder platforms for information exchange and discussions on REDD+ Benefit Sharing among different stakeholder groups including government, NGOs, private sector and communities;
- Institutionalize recourse and grievance procedures;
- ...
TFD Documents and Publications

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