

# Day 1 co-chairs reflections

# Engagement in this process

- Vast array of experts – local, national, international experiences
- Lacking private sector involvement
  - Differing points of engagement, potential for up front
  - Always a challenge but critical to field level discussions
- Gender balance reflection
- Consistency in communicating terminology

# Changing expectations of REDD+

- Extrapolating the benefit sharing discussions from REDD+ discussions – can we drill down more?
  - Still need to clarify some things on REDD+
  - Levels of uncertainty, but can we turn these round into opportunities
- What is the direction REDD+ going in? Influences how we foresee the development of benefit sharing mechanisms – more analysis and baselines
- Has blurred the focus and created new challenges
- Variations in the understanding of the benefits we are talking about:
  - Carbon vs non-carbon/co-benefits
  - Monetary vs non-monetary

# REDD+ as part of economic development

- A source of growth and income contributing to green development plan
  - Economic development
  - Livelihood improvement
  - Poverty reduction
    - A broader basket of benefits
  - Needs integration of certain issues
  - Carbon credits are part of a whole “toolbox” of income / interventions.
- Danger of overloading REDD+ as a solution to many issues – upstream and downstream interventions, leads to ?? Upstream or downstream impacts, do we understand that?
  - Huge expectations!!! How much money are the countries really going to receive.
- Are we losing the focus on reduced emissions
- Confusion, poor communication

# Stewards of the forest

- Need to reinforce stewardship whereby low emitting stewards may not be seen as a priority, marginalising sustainable forest users.
- Paradigm shift
  - To active engagement and co-owners
  - Local control over the process
  - Multiple livelihood benefits - ecological, social and cultural

# Structural frameworks

- Defining rights – where do benefits go?
- Clarity and issues of tenure and carbon rights – what are they and who are they?
- Clarity in legal frameworks, tenure arrangements, roles & responsibilities and differentiation within a constituency (sub-actors)
- Redistribution of benefits
- Application of FPIC
- Legitimacy of title, design of participatory processes, grievance mechanisms for conflict, political regime and of stakeholders
  - Legitimacy and application of FPIC at scale, national level – is it possible?
- Consideration of policies and frameworks;

## What are the benefits? Balance between effectiveness, efficiency and equity

- Differentiating the what from the who
- Multiple layers of benefits
- Appropriateness and for who?
- Mapping of stakeholders and the different dimensions of stakeholder involvement
- Identifying and responding to drivers of deforestation
- Ideology at different scales – local, sub-national, national and international
- What are the priorities – complexity at scale and different layers
- Benefits in at different time scales, in readiness phase, at the end game

# Development and design

- Influence in process of the stakeholders – role of private sector, people and public
- Sequencing of development – MRV, references levels, options (timing for development; long term versus short term responses)
  - Can we time efficiency, effectiveness and equity inputs
  - Who needs to be at the table when decisions are made
- Flexibility of benefit sharing mechanisms
- Landscape approach
- Performance based payments considers pro-poor elements, how do we define? Timeframe has implications
- Reconciliation of performance of carbon stock enhancement versus livelihood improvements
- Horizontal vs. vertical benefit sharing
- Institutional arrangements
- Implication of costs – are these assumed rather than negotiated, balancing the trade offs involved in these choices
  - Trade offs between efficiency, effectiveness and equity
  - Who takes the costs, who deals with the costs
  - The cost for one stakeholder may be the benefits received by another
- Capacity building moving from consultation to negotiation
  - Also needs to broader for wider understanding – particularly at local level.

**YOUR THOUGHTS!!**