

# Co-chair's summary of day 3 of the Field Dialogue on REDD+ Benefit Sharing in Mexico



# Evolving Agenda



- **TFD** - *how it operates*
    - *the REDD+ BS initiative*
  - **Reflections on the field trip**
  - **REDD+ BS in Mexico**
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**Break-out group discussions**

# Group discussion questions



- Integrating *gender* in Mexico's BS strategy
- Mechanisms for identifying REDD+ *beneficiaries*
- Criteria for selecting *activities* that could benefit from REDD+ financing

# Summary of the discussions

## (Key points)

- We noted the advances that Mexico has made on the REDD+ implementation process
- As a result of many years of discussions there is a clear agreement on the role that REDD+ will play in Mexico's development process – REDD+ will not be a stand-alone process but an integral part of local development policies and strategies, and it will be used to encourage and reward sustainable forest management practices

# Summary of the discussions

## (Key points)

- Decisions have also been made to a great extent, on the principles that will guide the development of the national REDD+ BSM.

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# Summary of the discussions

## (Key points)

- Results based benefits will be managed by the government and allocated to selected regions based on their recognized performance
- The government will not retain any of the REDD+ funds and will commit the resources required to develop, manage and distribute these funds



# Summary of the discussions

## (Key points)

- A decentralized decision making process will be developed to deal with the distribution of benefits at the local level
- The horizontal approach to benefit sharing at the regional level needs to look “beyond the forest” in the identification of beneficiaries, in order to encourage and reward actions that reduce deforestation and forest degradation – need for a multi-sectoral approach to ensure permanence and sustainability

# Summary of the discussions

## (Key points)

- In light of current embedded cultural norms and practices that limit their rights of ownership and control of land and resources, provisions have been made at the policy level and efforts are being made to further develop and internalize mechanisms that will ensure that women and young people will directly benefit from REDD+



# Summary of the discussions

## (Key points)

- Mexico now needs to develop the criteria that will guide
  - the identification of the activities that will be eligible for REDD+ financing (it was recognized that though projects visited were among the best examples, they could be used as models to be adopted/adapted)
  - the identification of beneficiaries (including women and young people)
  - how to address the issue of additionality

# Summary of the discussions

## (Key points)

- a number of activities were put forward by the different groups that included capacity building at different levels, strengthening collaborative mechanisms between different sectors, etc. That will be further developed in today's discussions

# THANK YOU

