

A UNDP view for UN-REDD in 2014

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1. *A new priority: **National REDD+ Strategies***
2. *A perennial priority: **Country implementation***
3. *The way forward: **Proposal for the UNEP/REDD+ team***

A new priority for 2014:

NATIONAL REDD+ STRATEGIES

- *A lesson:* Fragmented dynamics in national REDD+ processes
- Weak attention to REDD+ strategies so far: good examples (DRC) but wrong cases (Tanzania); need to offer methodological guidance
 - **REDD+ strategies to be the anchor & glue for national REDD+ processes**
- Right timing in the UNFCCC context
- UNDP is best placed {and ready} to coordinate this new work:
 - e.g.* large experience in building national development policy, CO work, GEF/UNDP portfolio, governance and capacity-building background
- REDD+ strategies will enable countries to adapt UNFCCC agreements to country circumstances/intentions [*i.e.* what REDD+ means for a country ?]
 - **UNDP will provide more focused support to countries in considering their strategic options**

A perennial priority:

COUNTRY IMPLEMENTATION

- Three major UN-REDD implementation modalities: NPs, TS and Tier-2
 - Yet a single objective: to sustain national REDD+ processes, ensuring coherence of actions and their right sequence
- *Issue*: UN-REDD's country delivery mechanisms are often used to service the agencies' interests
- *Lesson*: fragmented actions, “parashooting” of activities, excess “workshopping”
- Need of a close accompanying/guiding to country stakeholders
- Careful planning, with coherence and a right sequence of actions
- Ensure country implementation focuses on the two pillars of REDD+:
 - REDD+ Strategy
 - MRV System
- Country implementation also allows innovation and demonstration

The way forward:

PROPOSAL FOR THE UNEP/REDD+ TEAM

- UNEP's expertise and work domains are indispensable to build national REDD+ strategies
- UNDP wishes to closely collaborate with UNEP in this new priority of supporting national REDD+ strategies:
 - UNEP's leading work on the green economy, modeling and multiple benefits shall inform the definition and assessment of the strategic options for REDD+ in countries
- Crucial need to help governments to sequence actions in their REDD+ processes and in their building of REDD+ strategies
- Adapt technical-assistance and TS to the genuine country needs, while ensuring we all support a right sequence of actions

--- Year 2014 promises interesting and intense !!! ---