

# REDD+ SES Initiative

## Learning on the development of Safeguard Information Systems

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# What is the REDD+ SES Initiative?

REDD+ SES supports **countries** and **jurisdictions** in the design and implementation of a **Country Approach to Safeguards** for REDD+ and other land use, particularly a **Safeguards Information System**

- Through an **inclusive, multi-stakeholder process**
- Supporting **high social and environmental performance** of REDD+ and related low emission land use
- It is a **voluntary** initiative



2009

2010

2011

2012

2013

2014

REDD+ SES  
development

- Indigenous Peoples
- Community Associations
- Social NGOs
- Environmental NGOs
- Private Sector
- Governments

- Workshops at national level and local level in Nepal, Tanzania, Ecuador, Liberia

- Two 60-day public comment periods

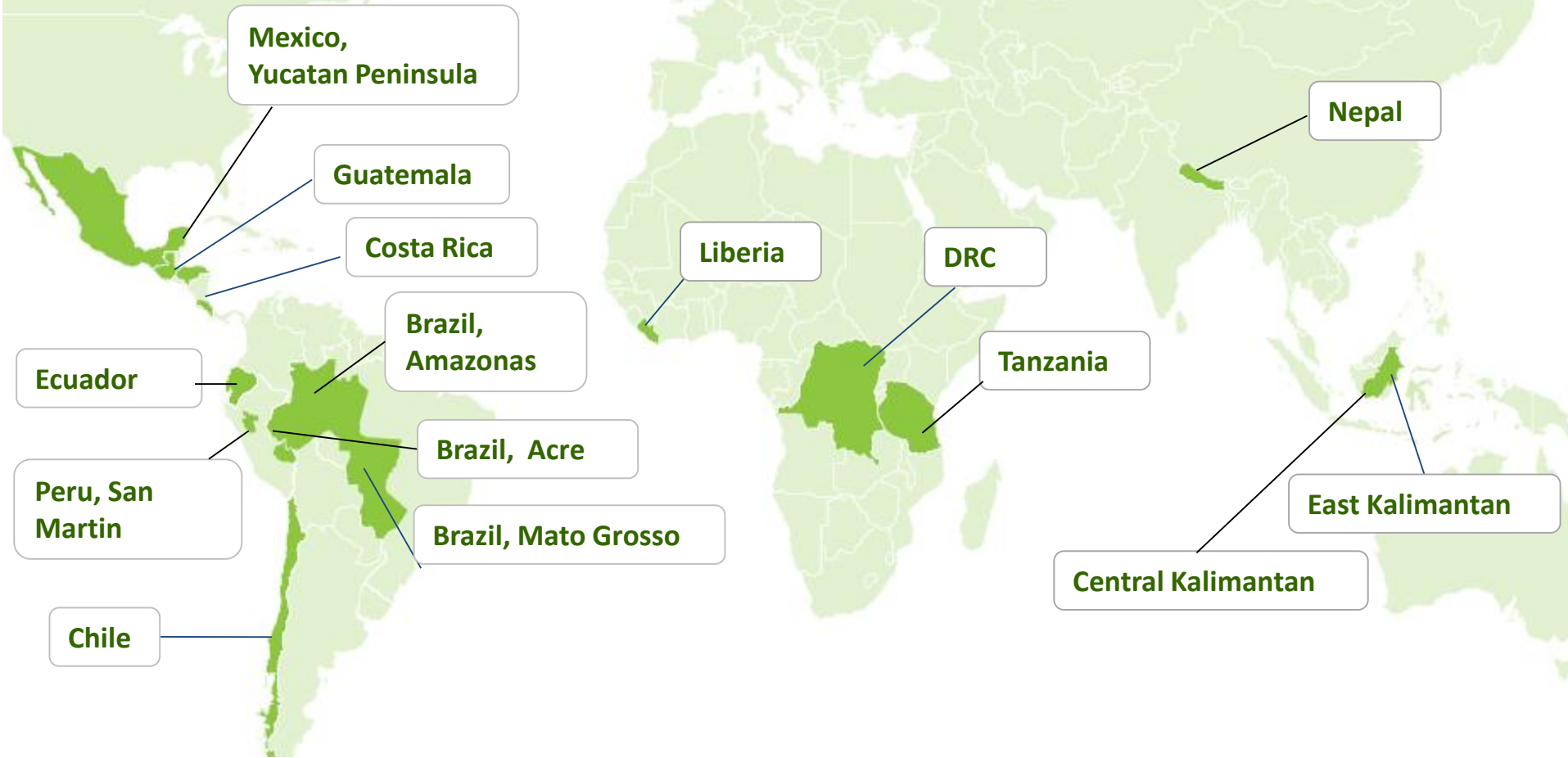
- International Steering Committee

- Funding from Packard and Moore Foundations, NORAD

- Secretariat – CCBA and CARE



# Countries and jurisdictions participating in the REDD+ SES Initiative



# Specific themes of support to countries

Government and/or civil society actors in countries participating in the initiative may choose to engage in:

**A. Management of multi-stakeholder processes**

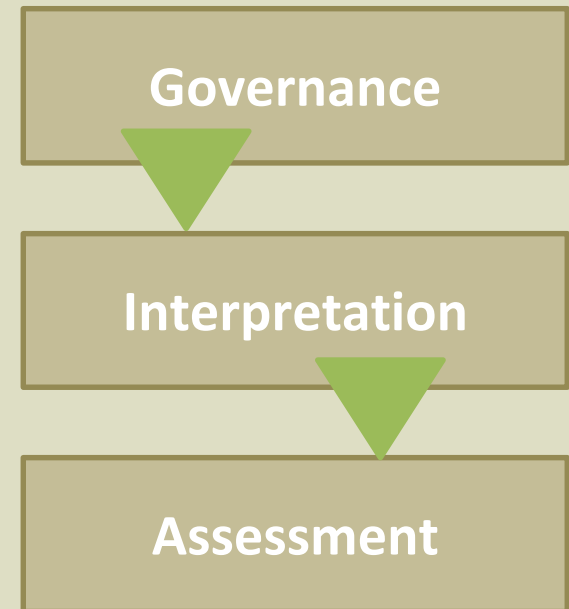
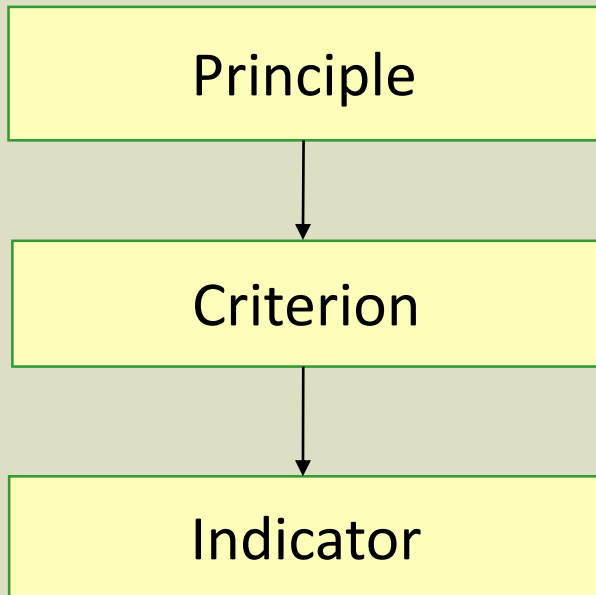
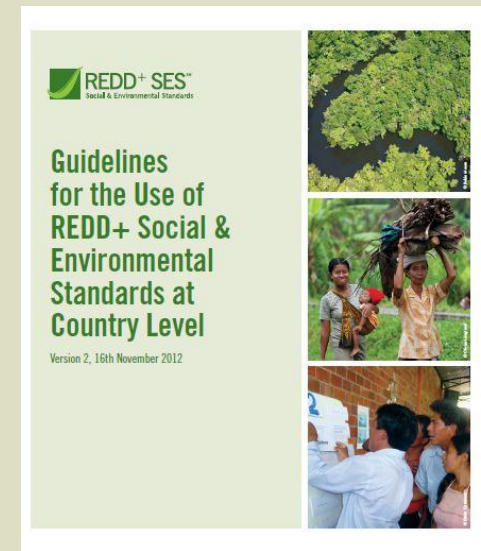
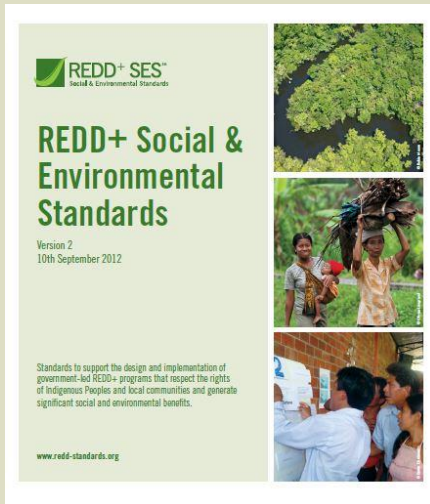
**B. Development and implementation of safeguards information systems**

**C. Participation in exchange and learning between countries**

**D. Building capacity of civil society to engage on safeguards**

**E. Use of Social & Environmental Standards for REDD+**

# REDD+ SES tools



# Country-level Process for Using REDD+ SES

## 1. Awareness-Raising / Capacity-Building

### *Governance*

2. Establish the  
Facilitation Team

3. Create the Standards  
Committee

### *Interpretation*

4. Develop Plan  
for the REDD+ SES  
Process

5. Develop Draft  
Country-Specific  
Indicators

6. Organize Consultations  
on Indicators

### *Assessment*

7. Prepare  
Monitoring and  
Assessment  
Plans

8. Collect and  
Assess Monitoring  
Information

9. Organize  
Stakeholder  
Review

10. Publish the  
Assessment  
Report

# REDD+ SES Guidance documents

- Key questions and lessons learned for credible and effective SIS

## 1. Defining the scope and objectives of the SIS

### SIS OBJECTIVES/USES

**UNFCCC –**  
Summary of information for Cancun Safeguards

**Financing Agencies –**  
Donor-specific safeguards and reporting requirements

**Market, Private Sector, Other Donors –**  
Comprehensive international safeguards and independent review

**National /Local Stakeholders –**  
Country-specific safeguards, participatory monitoring and review

**REDD+ Program Management –**  
Safeguards monitoring for effectiveness/efficiency

**What are the most important objectives for the SIS in your country?**

**What are the expected financing agency/donor safeguards and reporting requirements?**

**Are there national reporting requirements?**

**What are the most important issues for national/local stakeholders?**

**What activities will be covered by the SIS?**

1. Defining the Scope and Objectives

2. Building on Existing Information Systems

3. Establishing Institutional Arrangements and Processes for Stakeholder Participation

4. Identifying the Specific Information Needed

5. Collecting, Compiling and Analyzing Information

6. Reviewing, Reporting and Using Information



# Other REDD+ SES Guidance documents

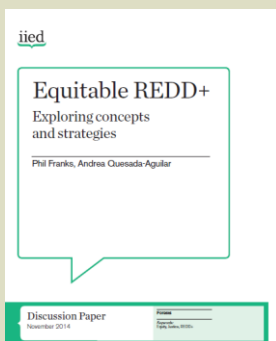
- Addressing Gender in REDD+ and safeguards



- Training kit for REDD+ safeguards and REDD+ SES



- Addressing equity in REDD



- Managing multi-stakeholder processes

See: [www.redd-standards.org](http://www.redd-standards.org)

# Key lessons from country exchange and learning:

## 1. Effective stakeholder participation in SIS

- **Why?**

- enhance quality and credibility of safeguards information
- ensures stakeholder concerns are covered in interpretation of safeguards
- builds trust and broad stakeholder support for REDD+
- holds government accountable to address gaps and implement safeguards

- **How?**

- Important to ensure a balance of affected stakeholders in consultations and institutional arrangements
- Culturally appropriate methods for consultation
- More emphasis on information flow between representatives and constituency including clearer, simpler communication

# Key lessons from country exchange and learning

## 2. Country specific interpretation of safeguards

- Start by identifying goals for CAS/CSA and SIS
- Build on existing PLRs and sources of information but recognise gaps
- Laws may exist but regulations and implementation are often weak
- Where gaps exist use “other safeguards” e.g official procedures & guidelines, customary safeguards of IPs, corporate policies, voluntary standards.

## 3. Action plans

- Reports from SIS will reveal gaps and weaknesses in PLRs and implementation
- Action plans can be developed to address these gaps
- Making action plans publically available alongside reports helps ensure continuity in case of change in government, and promotes accountability

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