

REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN THE UN-REDD PROGRAMME

I, Dr. Luis Alberto Ferrate Felice, serving in my capacity as REDD National Focal Point or equivalent function, hereby formally express the interest of the Government of Guatemala to participate in the UN-REDD Programme. I understand that funds for the current Quick Start Activities (Readiness Phase 1) have been fully committed. Pending further funding opportunities, my country wishes to participate in the following:

The UN-REDD Programme Online Collaborative Workspace's Community of Practice. The Workspace provides its members access to UN-REDD Programme documents, reports, technical notes and codified lessons learned, dedicated country pages to contribute updates on the progress of national REDD readiness, a large repository of REDD publications and papers, a daily news feed with the latest REDD news, progress on the activities of our partners, and the ability to network with a large community of REDD stakeholders.

I hereby designate (name and email address) Mr. Carlos Mansilla Mejia to serve as a focal point for knowledge-sharing through the Workspace. cclimatico@marn.gob.gt; cmansilla@marn.gob.gt

We have the following pilot activities to share as case studies: We have four projects proposals called REDD and which can be shared as case studies in the framework of UN-REDD. See annex 1

Regional Trainings and Workshops, understanding that participation will be funded by the UN-REDD Programme when possible.

We have the following training opportunities to offer to UN-REDD Programme partner countries: Participatory

Formulation of environmental policies with an emphasis on climate change and REDD projects formulation.

As an observer to the UN-REDD Programme Policy Board. I would be grateful if the UN-REDD programme Secretariat would present this request to the UN-REDD Programme Policy Board for consideration. I understand that participation in the Policy Board meetings will be self-funded.

In addition, I wish to confirm that my country participates in the following REDD readiness initiatives:

World Bank's Forest Carbon Partnership Facility. If so:

Our R-PP has been approved OR Our R-PP is in preparation or awaiting approval

Other Readiness initiatives:

We have adhoc working group on Climate Change, Forest and Biodiversity and The Inter Climate Change Commission composed of government and NGOs in Guatemala.

SIGNATURE AND TITLE



DATE

12 / March / 2010

Please submit to Mr. Yemi Katerere, Head of the UN-REDD Programme Secretariat, email: yemi.katerere@un-redd.org

Annex 1 document Request of Guatemala, Central America.

These projects are developed and proposed in protected areas of great importance for Guatemala and Mesoamerican region, as they are part of the Guatemala System of Protected Areas –SIGAP- the names of the projects in Guatemala are:

- **Project Maya Biosphere Reserve in Peten, Guatemala. MARN-CONAP-ACOFOP-RAINFOREST ALLIANCE.**
- **Project of Laguna Lachua, Alta Verapaz, Guatemala. MARN-CONAP-INAB-UICN-FUNDALACHUA.**
- **Protected Area Project Sierra de Lacandon, Peten, Guatemala. MARN-CONAP-DEFENSORES DE LA NATURALEZA.**
- **REDD Project in Guatemala's Western Highlands. MARN-CARE-CONAP.**

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