

Support to Community-Based REDD+ and the UN-REDD strategy to support local communities and indigenous peoples

Pre-Policy Board

Information Session

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Background

A positive funding situation in early 2013: EC, Luxemburg and Norway, with a higher contribution from Norway than its original pledge.

The UN organizations request the Policy Board to approve a revised work plan and budget for SNA, to allocate US\$ 4,380,000 to additional activities under Outcome 4 as follows:

- US\$380,000 to restore the budget for Outputs 4.1, 4.3 and 4.4 for year 2 (2013) of the SNA with a view to supporting REDD+ progress and strengthening engagement of indigenous peoples and forest dependent communities
- US\$4,000,000 to Support to Community Based REDD+ (CBR+) in collaboration with the GEF Small Grants Programme under a new Output 4.6.



I. Support to the full and effective engagement of indigenous peoples and civil society in REDD+ (Output 4.1, 4.3 and 4.4)

Objectives of the budget restoration (US\$380,000):

- Restore activities that were reduced in scope, as a result of an effort to adjust the SNA to the budget constraints.
- Provide greater support to governments, indigenous peoples and CSO stakeholders within partner countries in line with the recommendations of the CNA and the Policy Board.



Activities to be supported:

Output 4.1 (US\$133,750):

- Support for IP and CSO Representatives to consult with constituents
- Knowledge exchange
- Knowledge management

Output 4.3 (US\$144,450):

- Implement guidelines and standards
- Pilot FPIC Guidelines in countries
- Review and assess stakeholder engagement in countries

Output 4.4 (US\$101,800):

- Capacity building
- REDD+ stakeholder networks



II. Introducing CBR+



Support to Community-Based REDD+:

1. Grants for community-based projects that address: drivers of deforestation, land rights, mechanisms for benefit sharing, safeguards for REDD+
2. Funds could also support: awareness raising and information sharing, capacity building, network and institution building, policy advocacy, mainstreaming, scaling up
3. CBOs, NGOs, and indigenous peoples organizations are the grantees and manage the project funds
4. Funded activities will align with national REDD+ strategies and priorities (e.g. National Programmes)
5. Grants up to \$50,000

What is the rationale for CBR+?

1. Opportunity to tap into the capacity and local knowledge of indigenous peoples and other forest-dependent communities
2. CBR+ can help address concern over potential negative consequences on local rights, lands and livelihoods if REDD+ activities incorrectly designed or deployed
3. Recent UN-REDD Country Needs Assessments points to a need to strengthen the capacity of community groups and local NGOs to participate in REDD+
4. Opportunity to support “no-regret” or “win-win” activities that empower communities even if REDD+ implementation is delayed
5. Support countries to meet UNFCCC safeguards and UN-REDD guidelines on full, effective participation of indigenous peoples, civil society and marginalized groups such as women and the poor in REDD+



Introducing CBR+

Objectives:

1. Activate and support community-based action and build capacities to improve implementation of REDD+ readiness
2. Support countries to meet Cancun safeguards and UN-REDD Guidelines, ensuring full, effective participation of indigenous peoples, civil society and marginalized groups such as women and the poor in REDD+
3. Multiply results by improving coordination between SGP grants in biodiversity, climate change and land degradation focal areas, and national REDD+ activities under the UN-REDD Programme
4. Share lessons from community-based REDD+ experiences



Introducing CBR+



CBR+ will be a joint initiative of the UN-REDD Programme and GEF Small Grants Programme (SGP)

1. Build on UN-REDD's technical expertise and National Programmes, and on SGP's effective mechanism for delivering funding directly to the local level
2. Leverage additional funds for community level REDD+ through co-financing from SGP
3. Ensure that SGP funding for REDD+ aligns with UN-REDD National Programme approaches and objectives.
4. Robust knowledge management and local, national, regional and global sharing of lessons.

What is the GEF Small Grants Programme?

- The Small Grants Programme (SGP) is funded by the GEF and implemented by UNDP.
- SGP was launched in 1992 to support access to GEF funds by poor and vulnerable communities in their sustainable development efforts and to develop the capacity of local NGOs and CSOs.
- SGP now has 128 participating countries and has supported more than 16,000 community-based projects.
- Each SGP country has a National Steering Committee (NSC) with majority non-governmental representation which reviews and approves project proposals in a demand-driven and country-driven way.



National Level

CBR+ National Steering Committees

- SGP NSCs and National Coordinators are already in place
- For CBR+, these NSCs will be supplemented with REDD+ expertise from the National Programme steering committee (reps from government, IP, CSO, technical expertise and UN-REDD Programme)
- CBR+ NSCs will develop country CBR+ strategies and will select grantees

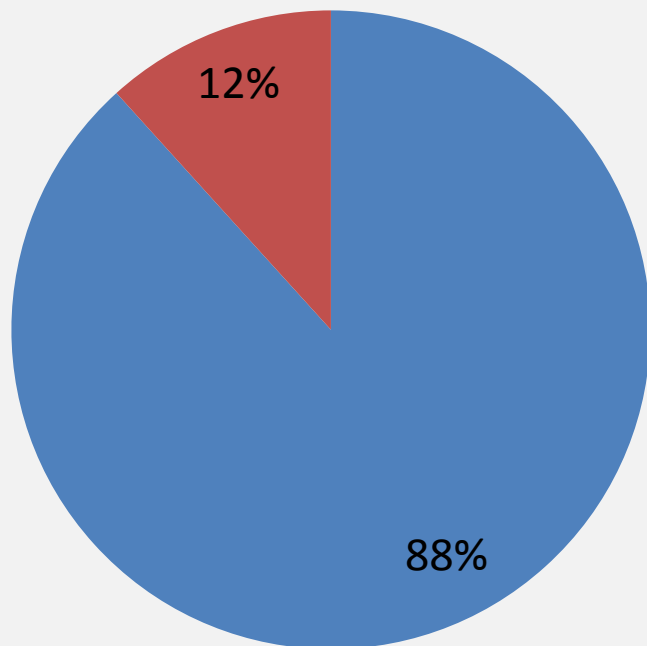
Consultation with Policy Board

PB consultation (March – April 2013) feedback:

- **Ensuring coherence in CBR+ results**
 - CBR+ strategy in each country.
 - Aligned with National Programme approaches and objectives.
- **Scope of CBR+ activities**
 - Activities will align with National Programme approaches and objectives.
 - A detailed list of eligible and ineligible activities is included in the revised concept note.
- **Partnership with SGP**
 - Added value.
 - Potential to expand to other partnerships in the future.

CBR+ Budget

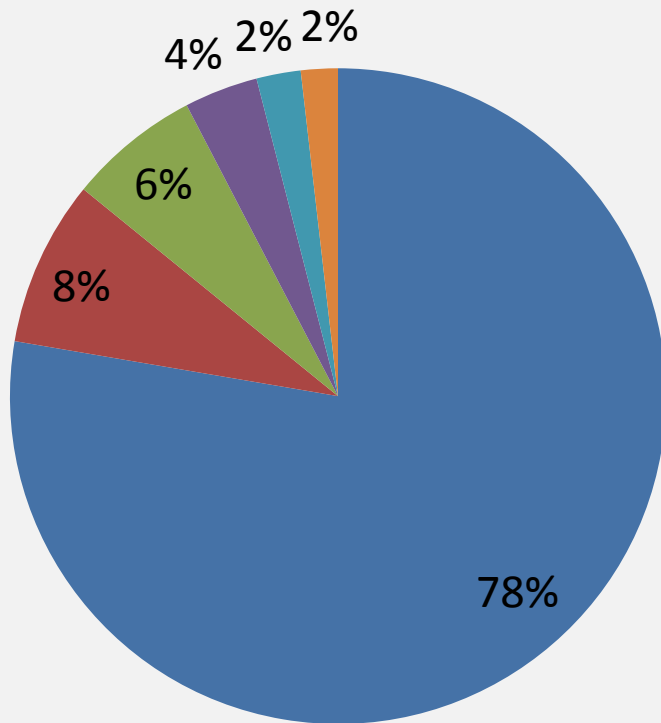
Global/country allocation of UN-REDD CBR+ funds



- Country specific support incl. grants to communities (\$3,300,318)
- Global support functions (\$438,000)

CBR+ Budget

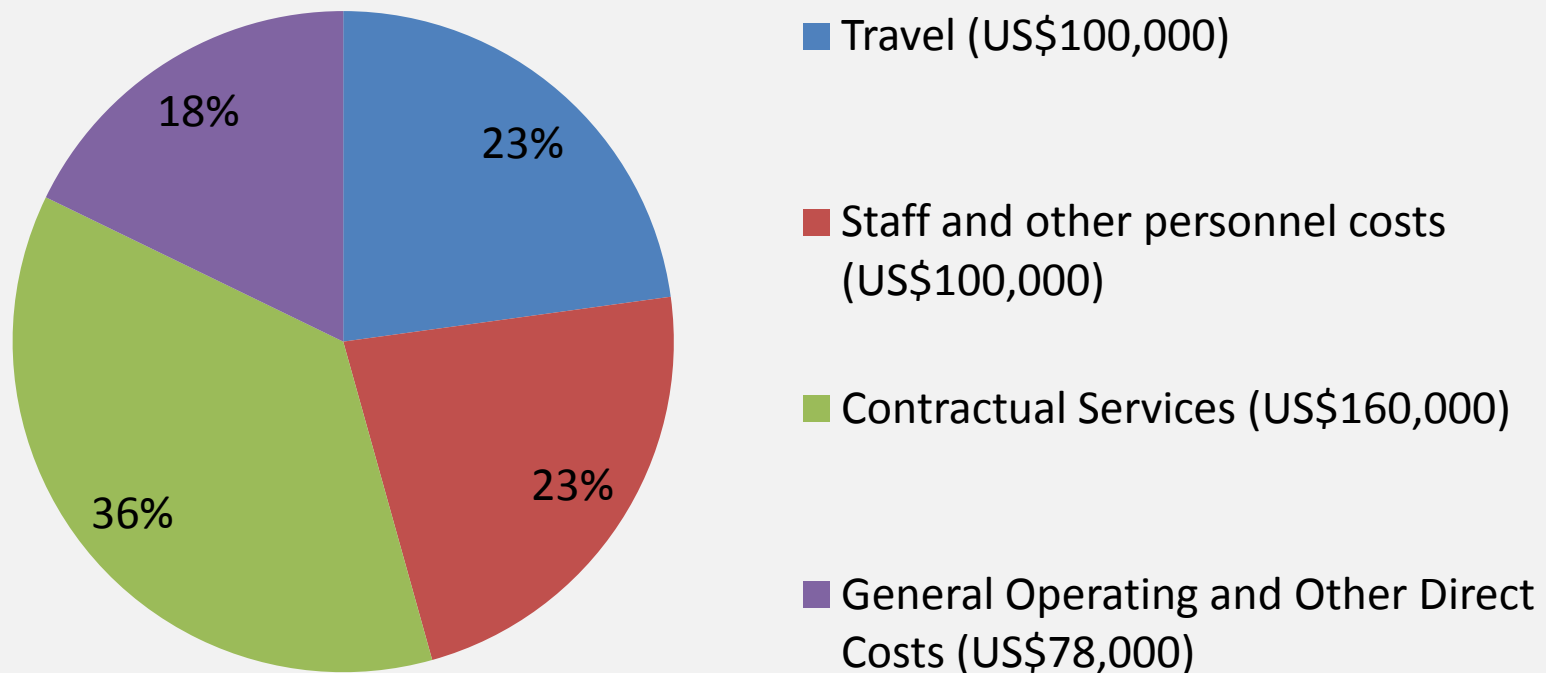
Allocation of UN-REDD CBR+ funds at country level



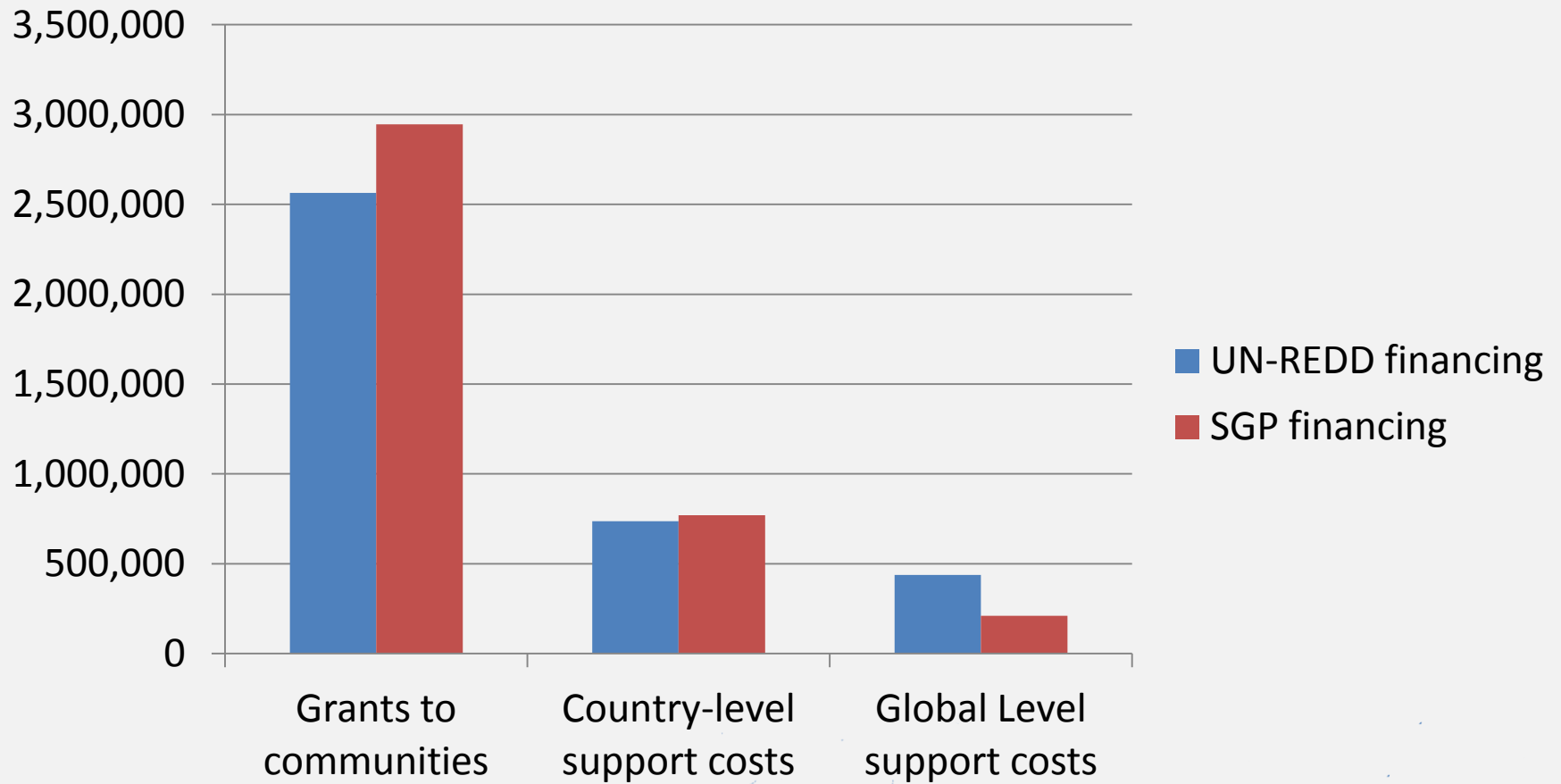
- Direct grants for CBR+ and community capacity building (\$2,564,000)
- Facilitation of national processes to develop national CBR+ frameworks (\$270,000)
- Monitoring & Evaluation of projects (\$215,000)
- Country level administration of grants (\$120,000)
- In-country learning exchanges (\$72,000)
- Knowledge Management (\$60,000)

CBR+ Proposed Budget

Allocation of UN-REDD CBR+ funds at global level



Co-financing of CBR+



Countries with UN-REDD National Programmes and SGP country programmes:

Africa: DRC, Nigeria, Tanzania, Zambia

Asia-Pacific: Cambodia, Indonesia, PNG, The Philippines, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Viet Nam

LAC: Bolivia, Ecuador, Panama, Paraguay

Criteria for selecting initial CBR+ pilot countries:

- Existing UN-REDD National Programme
- Established SGP country programme that SGP deems to have capacity to absorb and administer CBR+ funds
- Regional spread – 2 countries per region

There will be opportunity to expand selection of pilot countries after Year 2 (2013).



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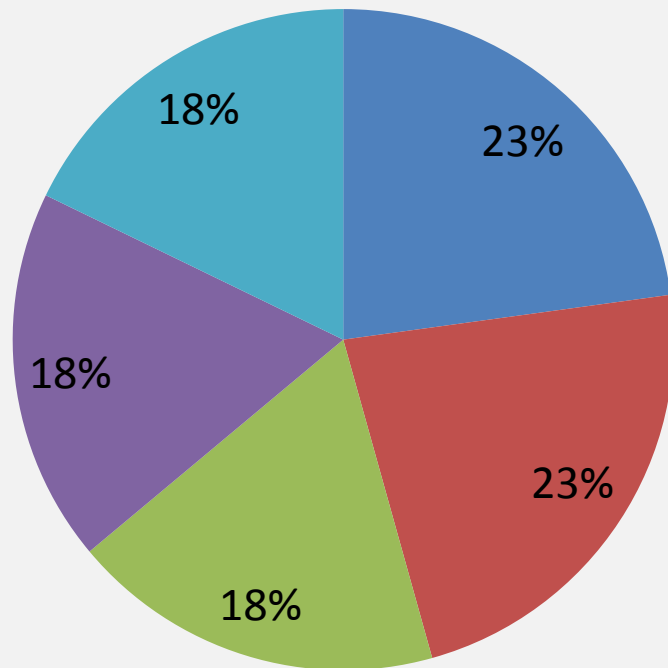
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CBR+ Budget		UN-REDD Financing		GEF-SGP Co-Financing		Annual Breakdown			
Category	Description	Global/Regional Level	Country Level	Global/Regional Level	Country Level	Totals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Grants to Communities	Direct grants for Community Based REDD+	-	2,480,000	-	2,646,000	5,126,000	5,126,000	-	-
	Grants for community capacity building	-	83,755	-	300,000	383,755	180,000	170,000	33,000
Development of National CBR+ Strategies	Facilitation of national processes to create and manage national CBR+ frameworks	-	270,000	-	-	270,000	270,000	-	-
Learning and Knowledge Management	National & Regional Learning exchanges, workshops etc	100,000	72,000	50,000	100,000	322,000	50,000	177,000	95,000
	Knowledge Management	80,000	60,000	100,000	200,000	440,000	100,000	160,000	180,000
Monitoring & Evaluation	Monitoring	80,000	150,000	-	20,000	250,000	70,000	90,000	90,000
	Evaluation	78,000	64,563	-	-	142,563	-	57,025	85,538
Management and coordination at global and country levels	Global coordination of CBR+ including support to global knowledge management, monitoring and evaluation	100,000	-	60,000	-	160,000	53,000	53,000	53,000
	Country level administration of grants, direct support to communities, management of national processes, and local-level monitoring and evaluation	-	120,000	-	450,000	570,000	190,000	190,000	190,000
SUBTOTALS		438,000	3,300,318	210,000	3,716,000	-	6,039,000	897,025	726,538
UN-REDD 7% Indirect Cost		30,660	231,022			-			
TOTAL UN-REDD FUNDS		468,660	3,531,340			4,000,000			
TOTAL GEF-SGP CO-FINANCING						3,926,000			
TOTAL UN-REDD/GEF-SGP CBR+ FUNDS						7,926,000			

CBR+ Budget

Allocation of UN-REDD CBR+ funds at global level



- Funding for regional learning exchanges & workshops (\$100,000)
- Staff costs for global coordination of CBR+ (\$100,000)
- Knowledge Management (\$80,000)
- Monitoring (\$80,000)
- Evaluation (\$78,000)