

## Request for Policy Board Inter-Sessional Decision on New Requests to Join the Programme 25 November 2011

*Recalling,* decision 1.1.1 taken by the Policy Board at the third Policy Board meeting<sup>1</sup>:

1.1.1 The Board welcomed the inclusion of new countries to the UN-REDD Programme family, called on donors to provide adequate funding, and requested the Secretariat to circulate future requests to participate in the UN-REDD Programme for approval as observers inter-sessionally, in advance of Policy Board meetings.

*Noting* that over the past six months, national representatives from eight countries have indicated a desire to join the UN-REDD Programme. Of these, the Programme has received complete application forms to join from Benin, Cameroon, Chile, Ghana, Myanmar, South Sudan and Suriname.

*Noting* section 1.1 of the UN-REDD Programme Rules of Procedure allowing for decisions of the Policy Board to be made between meetings (referred to as "Inter-Sessional" decision-making).

Responding to the requests received by Benin, Cameroon, Chile, Ghana, Myanmar, South Sudan and Suriname to join the UN-REDD Programme, the Policy Board members are hereby requested to approve the following:

The Board approves, on a no-objection basis, that Benin, Cameroon, Chile, Ghana, Myanmar, South Sudan and Suriname be accepted as partners of the UN-REDD Programme.

<sup>1</sup> The decision is recorded in the Report of the third Policy Board meeting, available at: <u>http://www.unredd.net/index.php?option=com\_docman&task=doc\_download&gid=1234&Itemid=53</u>

