PC/PA KNOWLEDGE SESSION #5

PATTERNS IN TREATMENT OF LAND USE & FORESTS BETWEEN INDCs AND REDD+ PREPAREDNESS DOCUMENTS

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Presentation objectives

- Examine the relationship between REDD+ countries' preparation of INDCs and progress on National REDD+ programs
 - Comparison with FCPF ER-PINs
- Identify elements with convergences or inconsistencies
- Distill lessons and identify needs from these patterns



Country efforts in UNFCCC & FCPF

- We summarized the land use/forest plans of 15 forest countries within INDCs and ER-PINs
- □ Focus on
 - Scope & coverage
 - Targets
 - Activities
 - Timeframes & base years
 - Private sector engagement
 - Financing needs



Country efforts in UNFCCC & FCPF

- There are many caveats to directly comparing the approaches in these documents, including:
 - Differences in scale (geographic, temporal)
 - Information that is provided, available, etc.
 - Organization of initiatives and rationale for each as presented in the documents
- Other documents could also help countries work towards mutual outcomes among REDD+ emissions reductions programs



INDCs



INDCs Submitted:

129

Global emissions covered by countries that submitted an INDC 1

89.5%



Lima guidance on INDCs

□ A quick overview

14. Agrees that the information to be provided by Parties communicating their intended nationally determined contributions, in order to facilitate clarity, transparency and understanding, may include, as appropriate, interalia, quantifiable information on the **reference point** (including, as appropriate, a base year), time frames and/or periods for implementation, scope and coverage, planning processes, assumptions and methodological approaches including those for estimating and accounting for anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions and, as appropriate, removals, and how the Party considers that its intended nationally determined contribution is fair and ambitious, in light of its national circumstances, and how it contributes towards achieving the objective of the Convention as set out in its Article 2;

Source: UNFCCC

Forests and Land Use in INDCs

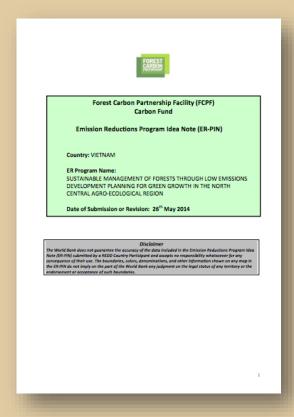
- There is a wide range of approaches to including forests in INDCs
 - Minimal guidance from COP20 decision in Lima on the information to be presented in INDCs
 - Applies to a very diverse range of countries
 - Bottom-up approach
- Very different from ER-PINs, where each country follows the same template



Summary of trends in comparing INDCs and ER-PINs

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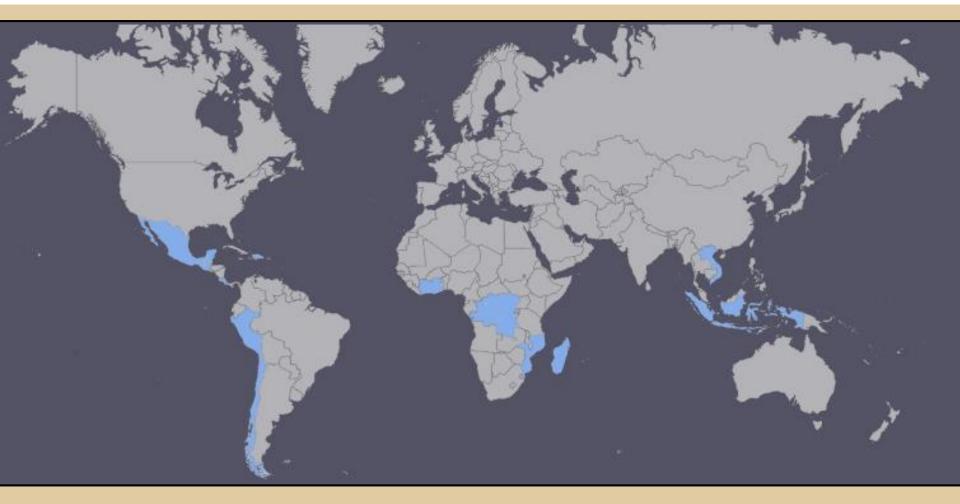


Countries Considered

- Chile
- Costa Rica
- □ Côte d'Ivoire
- Dominican Republic
- □ Dem. Rep. of Congo
- Ghana
- Guatemala
- Indonesia
- Lao PDR

- Madagascar
- □ Mexico
- Mozambique
- Peru
- □ Rep. of Congo
- Viet Nam







Trends among INDCs, ER-PINs: Scope & Coverage

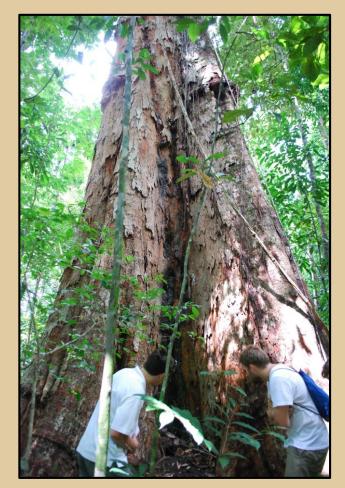
INDCs

- Economy-wide plans; 14 of 15 explicitly include LULUCF/AFOLU/land sector in some form
- Land-sector plans: some national, some subnational and/or activity-specific, some scaling up to national over time.
- Several countries explicitly reference that ER-PIN plans are integrated part of broader strategy
- ER-PINs
 - REDD+ and related forest-related sectors
 - Largely sub-national; only 2 of 15 are national level
 - Specifically reference number of jurisdictions or hectares included, or percent of country territory included

Trends among INDCs, ER-PINs: Targets

INDCs

- Economy-wide targets, 9 of 15 countries include specific forest/land sector target (i.e., ha reforested, percent national forest cover, tCO_{2e})
- ER-PINs
 - All express target ERs in tCO_{2e}
 - Several provide % reductions in deforestation, forestry emissions





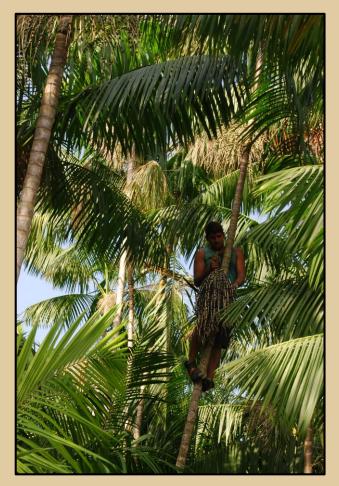
Trends among INDCs, ER-PINs: Activities

□ INDCs

A mixed bag in terms of detail on activities: some mention them broadly, while others do not include any detail

□ ER-PINs

A lot of detail on activities, geographies for those and how they relate to the drivers of deforestation





Trends among INDCs, ER-PINs: Time frames & Base year

INDCs

- \blacksquare Time frames: almost all \sim 2020-2030
- Base years: almost all use one year to determine BAU scenario
- ER-PINs
 - Time frames: many last until between 2020-2025, some extend beyond decade
 - Base years: many 10+ years, e.g., 2000-2010



Trends among INDCs, ER-PINs: Private Sector Engagement

- INDCs: some have sections on private sector participation, carbon markets
 - Ex. Costa Rica: "Costa Rica reserves its sovereign right to use international compensation units to accomplish its goals within the National Contribution or, as well, within its Domestic Compensation Market. Any compensation units traded abroad will be registered in the National Emissions Inventory to avoid double accounting."
- ER-PINs: private sector role prominent in some ER-PINs; and often considered when describing future sources of ER demand beyond Carbon Fund



Trends among INDCs, ER-PINs: Financing Needs

- Difficult to compare financing needs for sector-specific, subnational ER-PINs vs. often economy-wide, national-level plans
- INDCs
 - Many require some or full financing, but very few detail how much is needed for land sector activities
- ER-PINs
 - 14 or 15 have explicit financing need for program implementation and a timeframe for payment











Lessons Learned

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 - Due to unpredictable financing levels/sources post-2020, though a few list forest-sector activities as conditional
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Lessons Learned

- □ Good to have a standardized [synchronized?], detailed accounting and reporting system that allows for cross-country comparison
- □ Relatively, INDCs are less clear than ER-PINs
 - Due to unpredictable financing levels/sources post-2020, though a few list forest-sector activities as conditional
 - Key components for measuring outcomes missing
- Some INDCs cite existing FCPF & UN-REDD readiness/activities as important part of land use activities





Extra Slides

