

# UN-REDD PROGRAMME



## **Terms of reference Internship with the UN-REDD Programme Autumn-Winter 2014/2015**

### **1. Introduction**

The United Nations Collaborative Programme on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation in Developing Countries (UN-REDD Programme) was launched in September 2008 to assist developing countries to build capacity to reduce emissions and to participate in a future REDD+ mechanism. REDD+ refers to reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries, and the role of conservation, sustainable management of forests and enhancement of forest carbon stocks in developing countries. The Programme builds on the convening power and expertise of its three Participating UN Organizations: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

The UN-REDD Programme supports governments in preparing national REDD+ strategies, building monitoring systems, engaging stakeholders and assessing multiple benefits. Building on the lessons learned and feedback from countries and partners, the Programme has increased its funding base and the number of participating countries. The Programme is responsive to country needs, and is prepared to support transformation in the forest and other sectors which impact on land use in developing countries' economies needed to achieve readiness for REDD+. The UN-REDD Programme was guided by the UN-REDD Programme Strategy 2011–2015, endorsed by the Policy Board in November 2010. In its support to national REDD+ readiness processes, the Programme has two delivery modalities: 1) direct support to implementation of UN-REDD National Programmes; and 2) the support at national, regional and global level through the Global Programme, currently implemented as the Support to National REDD+ Action: Global Programme Framework 2011-2015 (SNA).

The Programme currently has over 50 partner countries, 21 of which have approved funding allocation for their National Programmes. In addition to National Programmes, countries are also supported through country specific support, including the Targeted Support category of the SNA. In total, over US\$190 million has been allocated to the 21 National Programmes and the SNA between 2009 and July 2014. Further details about the programme can be found on the website [www.un-redd.org](http://www.un-redd.org)

## 2. Tasks

- Support the preparation of progress reports on the status of Programme Implementation;
- Support the Secretariat in the development of the Programme's Partnership and donor relations strategy;
- Support preparations for UN-REDD events, prepare background technical papers and initial versions of briefing notes and other talking points for senior staff of the Secretariat participating in events;
- Support in the preparation of documents for the UN-REDD Programme Policy Board meetings;
- Support in the organization of working group meetings and teleconferences, prepare meeting notes and circulate.
- Track and synthesize information on relevant forestry, REDD+ issues, and other country-related publications and provide regular summaries for use by the Secretariat team
- Undertake research on the following areas and other areas that may be required and as requested by the Supervisor:
  - o Stakeholder involvement
  - o The relation between agriculture and deforestation (how are the drivers of deforestation taken into account within REDD+)
  - o The newly established Sustainable Development Goal
  - o Good Governance practices

## 3. Name of Intern

Elisabeth VAN WAGENINGEN

## 4. Dates of Internship

1 October 2014 – 30 January 2015

## 5. Supervisor(s)

1. Mike Speirs
2. Mario Boccucci