



FAO Response to Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands Request for Targeted Support from the UN-REDD Global Programme
for the
Development of a Proposal for a Regional Monitoring and MRV Support Structure for Pacific Island Countries

Background

On May 4th 2012 the governments of Papua New Guinea (through the Office of Climate Change and Development – OCCD) and the Solomon Islands (through the Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management and Meteorology – MoE) sent a joint request to the UN-REDD Programme Secretariat for targeted support for the development of a proposal. The request totalled \$100,000 and had the following aims:

- Completion of a regionally-endorsed proposal for a regional Pacific REDD+ monitoring and MRV support structure, to be submitted to international donors;
- Strengthened capacity of SOPAC to become a regional focal for forest information management and assessment for the Pacific region.

Targeted Support Response

The activities under this request fall under FAO's work area of Monitoring and MRV for REDD+. FAO will work closely with OCCD and MoE, as well as the Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC), the Japanese International Cooperation Agency (JICA) – that is currently working closely with SPC, and the German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ), who have an initiative underway to support and develop and regional REDD+ policy framework in the Pacific. FAO's response, through the UN-REDD Programme, will be delivered over the course of 2012, with the objective of submitting the proposal to a donor or fund in late 2012 or early 2013.

Timeline and Budget

(See overleaf)



TIME PERIOD	SUPPORT TO BE DELIVERED	INDICATIVE ACTIVITIES	COST
Jun 2012	Development and presentation of a concept note for the proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drafting of the concept note - Support to the organisation and execution of a technical forest monitoring and measurement workshop organised by SPC/JICA - Presentation of the concept note at the technical SPC/JICA workshop 	\$20,000
Jun-Aug 2012	Capacity needs assessment for remote sensing and GIS for monitoring for REDD+	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mission of REDD+ monitoring/remote sensing expert to SOPAC, Fiji - Initial capacity building of SOPAC on technical requirements of monitoring for REDD+ 	\$30,000
Jul-Sep 2012	Development and presentation of a first full draft of the proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support to the collaborative drafting of the full proposal - Consultations with international, regional and national organizations on planned and on-going forestry/REDD+ activities in the Pacific - Support to the organisation and execution of a REDD+ discussion and consultation day prior to the Annual Meeting of the Pacific Heads of Forestry and Agriculture (HOAFS) in Lae, PNG, organised by SPC: the first draft will be consulted upon here 	\$40,000
Sep 2012-Jan 2013	Incorporation of feedback from countries and submission of full proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support to document drafting - Support to collaborative finalisation of the document, possibly involving a further FAO consultation mission - Support to the selection of an appropriate funding body to submit the proposal to 	\$10,000