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[National experience with multiple benefits]

National Structure for REDD planning

-Cameroon created a Pilot National REDD Committee in 2009 to coordinate a small scale REDD expert training project on in situ and satellite methodologies of forest carbon measurements. This pilot training project financed by the German Development Bank (KfW) was run under the auspices of MINEP-MINFOF-GTZ and GAF AG (as technical consultant).



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- A technical expert group was also designated in 2009 to coordinate the elaboration of the R-PP for Cameroon.
- Within the REDD pilot National Committee The Ministry of Social Affairs (MINAS) and Indigenous organizations of the Forest Peoples (Pygmies) are represented.
- During outreach and consultation workshops experts on biodiversity from research institutes and universities are usually invited.



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[National experience with local and indigenous community participation and benefits]

-In Cameroon, the views of indigenous communities are expressed through the coordination of indigenous organizations by CED and IUCN (Pro-poor REDD project).

-In July 2010, CED (Center for Environment and Development) organized an indigenous peoples consultation workshop to collect their views on REDD initiatives and their implication in the process at national level.



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[Tools at national level]

- Forest Monitoring and Forest cover mapping in Cameroon are conducted under the joint efforts of MINFOF, MINEP, INC, the WRI etc.
- However, no forest carbon overlay maps have been developed.
- Cameroon would like to extend its pilot projects to various ecological regions (rainforest, mangrove forest, mountain forest etc) before deciding on the approach to adopt.
- Cameroon collaborates with COMIFAC, the World Bank and UN-REDD in regional projects implementation, for instance in the development of allometric equations.



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[Main opportunities and challenges]

- Cameroon is fully involved in the implementations of the REDD mechanism through multi-stakeholder participation and is working towards the creation of a REDD National Committee.
- Cameroun would need intensive local and expert training programmes in *in situ* and satellite monitoring of forest carbon.



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[Regional collaboration for multiple benefits]

-Cameroon, under the leadership of COMIFAC has participated in many regional and international training and expert workshops.

-The REDD pilot project experience of Cameroon is going to be extended to some COMIFAC countries by GAF AG beginning 2011.

thank you!
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¡gracias!



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