

Nigeria's REDD+ Readiness Programme – Beyond Carbon: Safeguards and Multiple Benefits from REDD+

A Presentation

on

COP19 in Warsaw – Updates / Outcomes

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COP 19 - Warsaw

What's COP 19 / CMP 9?

- 1) Nineteenth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 19);
- 2) Ninth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP 9);

...to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

What is Kyoto Protocol (to the UNFCCC)?

- International agreement linked to the UNFCCC
- Major feature: sets binding targets for 37 industrialized countries & the European community for reducing GHG emissions – average of 5% against 1990 levels from 2008-2012.
- Adopted in Kyoto, Japan on 11 Dec 1997
- Rules for the implementation adopted in Marrakesh, Morocco 2001 (COP7) – ***“Marrakesh Accord”***
- Entered into force on 16 Feb 2005

Where and when COP19 held?

Where?

➤ National Stadium Complex, Warsaw, Poland.

When?

➤ Monday, 11 to Friday, 22 November, 2013

Who are the participants?

Four categories of Participants:

- 1. *Parties*** – Red tags/badges
- 2. *UN Agencies / Organizations*** – Blue tags/badges
- 3. *Observers*** – Civil Society Organizations / NGOs – Yellow tags/badges
- 4. *Security personnel*** – Black tags/badges

Conference Focus?

- *Mitigation*
- *Adaptation*
- *Technology*
- *Finance*
- *REDD/LULUCF*

Outcomes / Decisions!

(Advanced unedited versions)

Decision 1: Addressing the drivers of deforestation and forest degradation

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 2/CP.13, 1/CP.16 and 2/CP.17,

Noting the complexity of the problem, different national circumstances and the multiple drivers of deforestation,

Noting that livelihoods may be dependent on activities related to drivers of deforestation and forest degradation and that addressing these drivers may have an economic cost and implications for domestic resources,

- 1. Reaffirms* the importance of addressing drivers of deforestation and forest degradation in the context of the development and implementation of national strategies and action plans by developing country parties, as referred to in decision 1/CP.16, par. 72 and 76;

Addressing the drivers of deforestation and forest degradation... contd

2. *Recognizes* that drivers of deforestation and forest degradation have many causes, and that actions to address these drivers are unique to countries' national circumstances, capacities and capabilities;
3. *Encourages* Parties, organizations and the private sector to take action to reduce the drivers of deforestation and forest degradation;
4. *Encourages* all Parties, relevant organizations, and the private sector and other stakeholders, to continue their work to address drivers of deforestation and forest degradation and to share the results of their work on this matter, including via the web platform on the UNFCCC website (unfccc.int/redd);
5. *Encourages* developing country Parties to take note of the information from on-going and existing work on addressing the drivers of deforestation and forest degradation by developing country Parties and relevant organizations and stakeholders.

Decision 2: (Safeguards) – *The timing and the frequency of presentations of the summary of information on how all the safeguards referred to in decision 1/CP.16, appendix 1, are being addressed and respected*

The conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 17/CP.8, 1/CP.16, 12/CP.17 and 12/CP.17,

Also recalling, in particular, decision 12/CP.17, par. 5,

1. *Reiterates* that according to decision 12/CP.17, par. 3, developing country Parties undertaking the activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, par. 70, should provide a summary of information on how all of the safeguards referred to in decision 1/CP.16, appendix 1, are being addressed and respected throughout the implementation of the activities;
2. *Also reiterates* that according to decision 12/CP.17, par. 4, the summary of information referred to in par. 1 above should be provided periodically and be included in national communications, or communication channels agreed by the Conference of the Parties

(Safeguards) – The timing and the frequency of presentations of the summary of information on how all the safeguards referred to in decision 1/CP.16, appendix 1, are being addressed and respected... contd

3. *Agrees* that the summary of information referred to in par. 1 above could also be provided, on a voluntary basis, via the web platform on the UNFCCC website;
4. *Decides* that developing country Parties should start providing the summary of information referred to in par. 1 above in their national communication or communication channel, including via the web platform of the UNFCCC, taking into account par. 3 above, after the start of the implementation of activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, par. 70;
5. *Also decides* that the frequency of subsequent presentations of the summary of information as referred to in par. 2 above should be consistent with the provisions for submissions of national communications from Parties not included in Annex 1 to the Convention and, on a voluntary basis, via the web platform on the UNFCCC website.

Other Decisions!

3. Modalities for national forest monitoring systems (*for monitoring and reporting of activities, provision of data, information, etc.*) (a REDD+ decision)
4. *Guidelines and procedures for the technical assessment of submissions from Parties on proposed forest reference emission levels (RELs) and/or forest reference levels (RLs) (under SBSTA – REDD+)*
5. *Coordination of support for the implementation of activities in relation to mitigations in the forest sector by developing countries, including institutional arrangements (under SBI – REDD+)*
6. *Modalities for monitoring, reporting and verifying (of REDD+)*

Other Decisions... Contd!

- 7. Work Programme on results-based finance to progress the full implementation of the activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, par. 70 (note particularly paragraph 4, i.e., COP Agrees that developing countries seeking to obtain and receive results-based payments in accordance with decision 2/CP.17, par. 64, should provide the most recent summary of information on how all of the safeguards referred to in decision 1/CP.16, appendix 1, par. 2, have been addressed and respected before they can receive results-based payments) – REDD+ finance;*

Other Decisions... Contd!

8. *Warsaw international mechanism for loss and damage associated with climate change impacts (major outcome of COP 19).*

This has been a major call of developing country Parties for several years which had not been considered before now. Basically, this was identified as an indicator of success of the Warsaw COP. Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines became a crucial factor in pushing hard for this

CSOs contributions to COP 19 (and other COPs)

Strategies adopted:

- i) Briefing papers
- ii) Press releases
- iii) Reports & Publications
- iv) Lobbying
- v) Intervention/Short presentations during Contact Group meetings and Informal Consultations – SBSTA, SBI, REDD+ finance, methodological guidance, etc.
- vi) Work-out to put pressure on Parties – *see press statement before work-out*

Thank you for listening!