

THE NEED TO IMPROVE COORDINATION OF SUPPORT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REDD+

ASEAN MEMBER STATES

Brunei Darussalam • Cambodia
Indonesia • Lao PDR • Malaysia
Myanmar • Philippines • Singapore
Thailand • Vietnam



Improvement of coordination of support is necessary both at the international and national levels in order to increase efficiency and effectiveness of support.

Improved coordination will increase transparency, and facilitate disbursement of funds and identification of gaps and overlaps of support.

RATIONALE

AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

- Improved coordination will facilitate **equitable access** to support by developing countries, provide opportunity for **harmonization** of similar requirements (such as safeguards), and **reduce mismatch** between the needs and the support provided.
- Improved coordination will also facilitate **knowledge exchange and experience sharing** among REDD+ countries.
- While discussions around an institutional arrangement for REDD+ are on-going, the coordination of international support should be undertaken by the UNFCCC Secretariat.

AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

- REDD+ countries should have a **mechanism** for coordination of support in place, taking into account national circumstances, legislation, capacity and capabilities.

JOINT SBSTA AND SBI PROCESS

- It should focus on addressing the need to achieve **balance** between methodological guidance for REDD+ activities and the commitment of support for implementing REDD+ **in all phases**, including capacity enhancement for and access to technology by developing countries.
- It is important that **previous decisions** on finance and methodological aspects relating to REDD+ be respected in this process.

INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENT FOR REDD+

- ASEAN Member States are open to exploring potential governance alternatives including a body, a board or committee.
- However, the **“roles” and “functions”, including financial implications**, of such an institutional arrangement should first be defined.
- Such institutional arrangement should be **transparent, fair, equitable, efficient and effective.**
- Clear definition of these “roles” and “functions” should be the basis for considering the most appropriate institutional arrangement for REDD+ implementation under different phases.

REGISTRY

A registry or database for REDD+ activities is important at the international and national levels, to track both support and actions. Such registry or database will provide **transparency** and contribute to **avoiding double counting and reporting** of support and actions.

At the **international level**, before an institutional arrangement for REDD+ is in place, the interim registry or database for REDD+ support and actions should be managed by the Secretariat of the UNFCCC.

At the **national level**, REDD+ countries, depending on national circumstances, legislation, and capacities, should decide on a registry or database for REDD+ activities that they find most appropriate under their overall mitigation actions.

Thank you!
