

Submission to the AHG-LCA Ideas and proposals on paragraph 1 of the Bali Action Plan (Note by the Chair)

This submission includes text to be added to the assembly text within:

C. Policy approaches and positive incentives on issues relating 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

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| 51. Context and objective of policy approaches and positive incentives | Support the work by the AHTEG on the inter-linkages between the CBD and the UNFCCC |
| | An effective REDD mechanism relies on addressing the drivers of deforestation, including international demand for forest products or alternative land uses |
| | REDD needs to be developed and implemented in full accordance with interests of indigenous peoples and local communities, as well as their rights as stated in the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and other relevant human rights instruments |
| 54. Provision of positive incentives | A framework should be developed to provide sufficient and sustainable finance. This should be new and additional to financial resources provided for other activities, including being additional to existing commitments for overseas development assistance |
| 55. What should be measured, reported and verified | REDD needs to be systematically monitored and evaluated for negative and positive social and environmental impacts. This process needs to have full and effective participation of indigenous peoples and local communities. |
| 56. How to measure, monitor and verify | As for the point above to be added to item 55. |
| 57. Capacity-building, readiness and demonstration | Institutions and legal frameworks to ensure adherence to mandatory social standards and safeguards should be established as part of the national readiness processes. This process should include recognition and clarification of land- and resource tenure rights and establish mechanisms to ensure equitable benefit-sharing with and within local and indigenous communities |
| | The Secretariat should undertake a review of the financial flows to understand the potential sources, revenue, timing and scale of all the options, including how do we deal with early actions, sub-national steps, countries with low deforestation rates and countries interested in conservation of forest-carbon stocks |