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UNFCCC Overview of REDD-plus

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Outline of Presentation

- Overview of current REDD Web Platform

- Options for the setup of the information hub

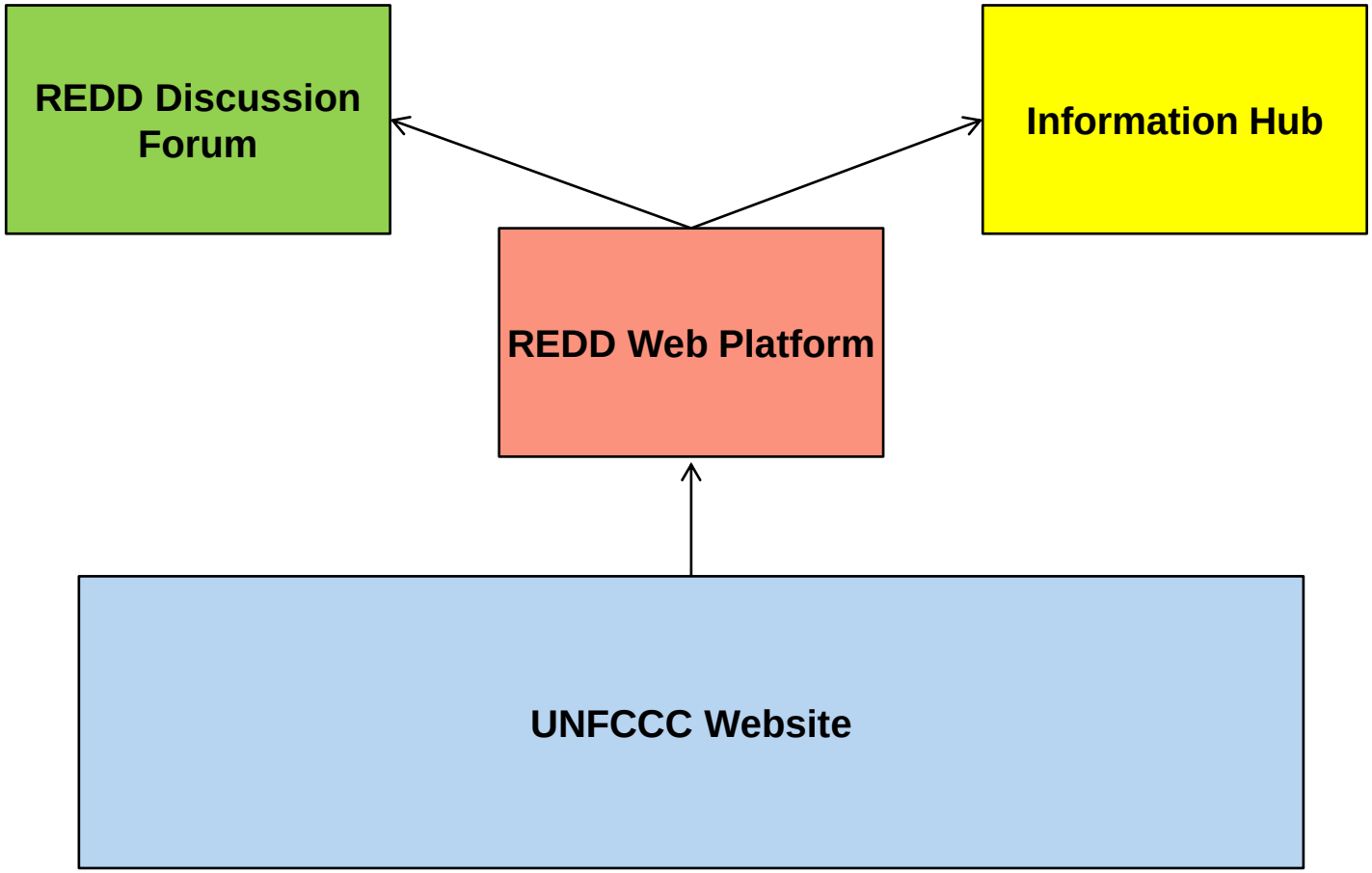
Decision 9/CP.19

The COP

- **Paragraph 9:** *Decides* to establish an information hub on the web platform on the UNFCCC website as a means to publish information on the results of the activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 70, and corresponding results-based payments;

- **Paragraph 19:** *Requests* the secretariat to improve and further develop the web platform on the UNFCCC website to include the information referred to in paragraphs 11 and 12 above, and to make the information available in a simple, transparent and easily accessible manner;

UNFCCC REDD Web Platform



Ongoing information sharing on the REDD Web Platform

- Parties, relevant organizations and stakeholders have been invited to share lessons learned and experiences gained on REDD-plus activities by submitting information to the secretariat for posting on the REDD Web Platform

- Provided information that has to be published on the REDD Web Platform:
  a) Submissions with proposed reference levels
  b) Final report on the technical assessment of REDD-plus reference levels
  c) Technical report on the analysis of REDD-plus results
  d) Summary of information on how all of the safeguards are being addressed and respected throughout the implementation of the activities
  e) Results of addressing the drivers of deforestation and forest degradation

Screenshot of the REDD Web Platform

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  - Other Methodological Issues

REDD Web Platform

Welcome to the REDD information sharing web platform.

The COP has invited Parties, relevant organizations and stakeholders to support ongoing efforts, capacity building, demonstration activities and mobilization of resources relating to reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries and to share the outcomes of these efforts with the SBSTA by providing corresponding information to the secretariat. In decision 2/CP.13 the COP also requested the secretariat to develop a web platform where this information will be made available.

The information shared on this web platform can be accessed through three entry points:

- By submitting country
- By submitting organization
- By topic

Parties, relevant organizations and stakeholders are encouraged to submit information relating to reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries (REDD) to this web platform. Information can be submitted in the form of plain text, PDF documents, and hyperlinks. Whenever sending PDF documents or hyperlinks it would be appreciated if you also added a short textual description (1-3 sentences).

In addition, the COP through its decisions agreed to make available information and reports relating to REDD-plus implementation on this platform. These include:

- Information on forest reference emission levels and/or forest reference levels, including submissions with proposed forest reference emission levels and/or forest reference levels (decision 12/CP.17);
- The summary of information on how all of the safeguards referred to in decision 1/CP.16, appendix I, are being addressed and respected throughout the implementation of the activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 70 (decision 12/CP.19);
- The final report of the technical assessment of forest reference emission levels and/or forest reference levels (decision 13/CP.19);
- The technical report by the LULUCF experts included in the technical team of experts for the international consultation and analysis of results-based actions reported in a technical annex to the biennial update reports (decision 14/CP.19);
- Results of the work by Parties, relevant organizations, and the private sector and other stakeholders to address drivers of deforestation and forest degradation (decision 15/CP.19).

Please submit information and/or any queries/feedback on this web platform to the following e-mail address:
< **redd_webplatform@unfccc.int** >

Please also read the terms and conditions on use of and access to information on this web platform.

Browse information by:

- Country
- Organization
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UNFCCC documents

UNFCCC documents relating to REDD, including:
* Key decisions
* Workshop reports
* Technical papers
* Submissions

Warsaw Framework for REDD-plus

COP 19 adopted the 7 decisions of the Warsaw Framework for REDD-plus (WFR)

Potential functions of REDD Web Platform

FUNCTIONS

- User interface and database for sharing of information and searching information
- Country pages
- Organization pages
- Topic pages
- Interactive discussion forum
- Calendar of REDD-plus events

New:

- Design and user-friendliness (registration system?)
- Tagging of information (instead of topic pages)
- Searchable decisions
- Interactive map
- RSS feed

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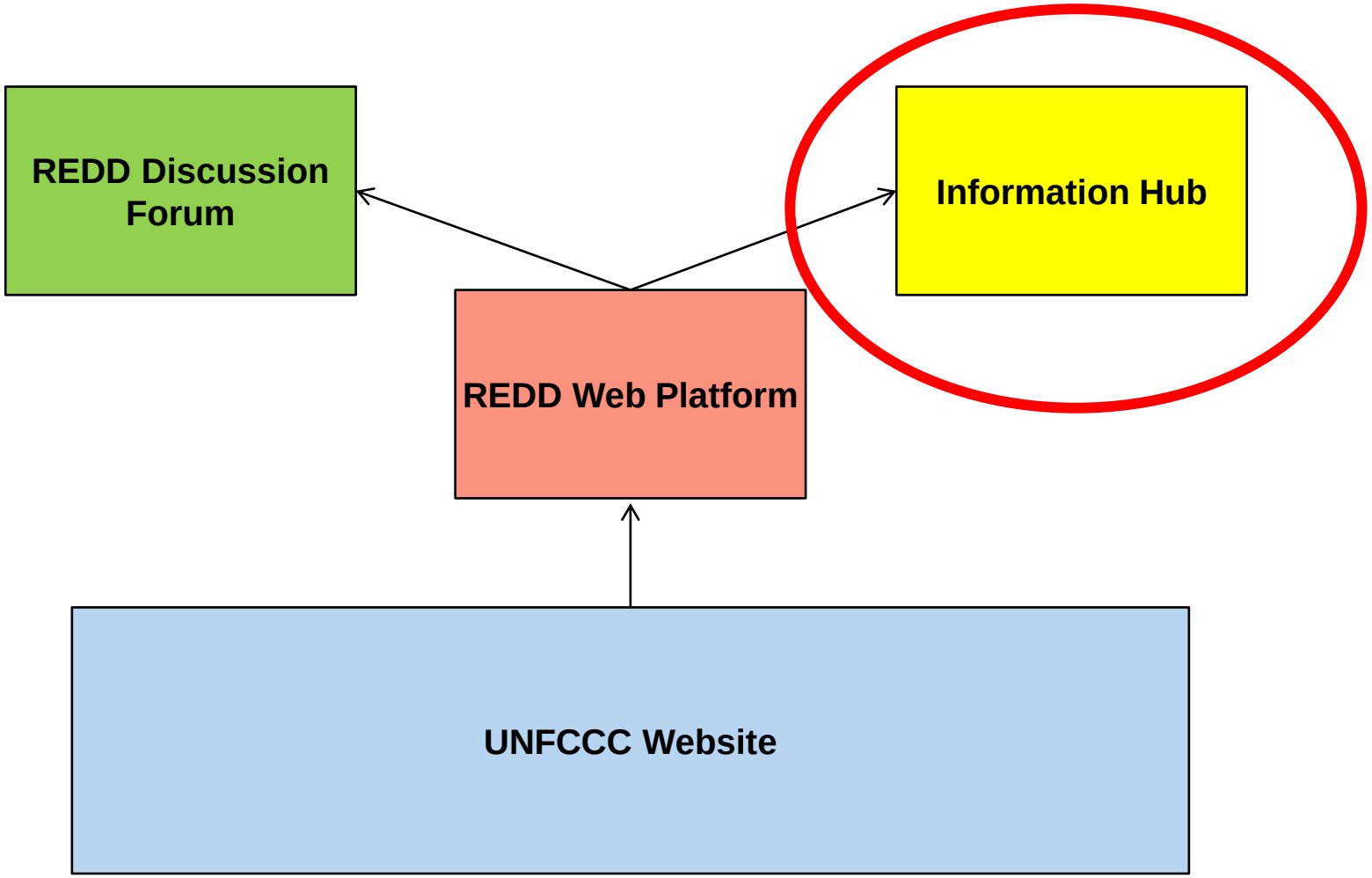

Decision 9/CP.19

The information hub will contain:

a) The results for each relevant period expressed in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent per year and a link to the technical report referred to in decision 14/CP.19, paragraph 14;

b) The assessed forest reference emission level(s) and/or forest reference level(s) expressed in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent per year and a link to the final report of the technical assessment team referred to in decision 13/CP.19, paragraph 18;

c) The summary of information on how all of the safeguards referred to in decision 1/CP.16, appendix I, are being addressed and respected, as referred to in decisions 12/CP.19 and 12/CP.17, chapter I;

d) A link to the national strategy or action plan as referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 71(a), as appropriate;

e) Information on the national forest monitoring system, as provided in the technical annex referred to in decision 14/CP.19;

Relationship between information hub and REDD web platform

1) For countries that have the necessary information for an entry on the information hub according to paragraphs 11-14 of decision 9/CP.19:

- Option a) A separate dedicated information hub country page could be created on the information hub
- Option b) The information could be listed in an overview information hub page for all countries
- Option c) Both of the above

Relationship between information hub and REDD web platform

Where to put the information?

Option a): country pages

Country A
Country B

Results	FREL	SG summary	National strategy	NFMS
###	###	hyperlink	hyperlink	hyperlink
###	###	hyperlink	hyperlink	hyperlink

Results	FREL	SG summary	National strategy	NFMS
###	###	hyperlink	hyperlink	hyperlink
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Option b): overview table

Country	Results	FREL	SG summary	National strategy	NFMS
A	###	###	hyperlink	hyperlink	hyperlink
B	###	###	hyperlink	hyperlink	hyperlink
C	###	###	hyperlink	hyperlink	hyperlink

Relationship between information hub and REDD web platform

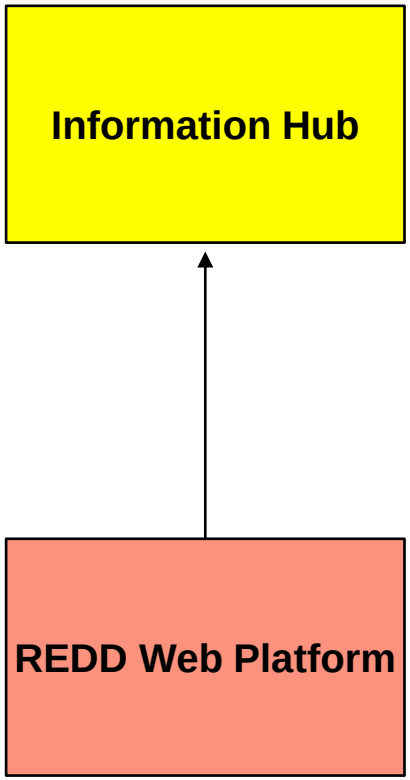
2) Options for the design of the entry point of the information hub on the REDD Web Platform:

- Option a) Centrally on the start page of the REDD Web Platform, e.g. as a hyperlink and/or map
- Option b) On each dedicated country page on the REDD Web Platform once all of the relevant information is available for the country
- Option c) Both of the above

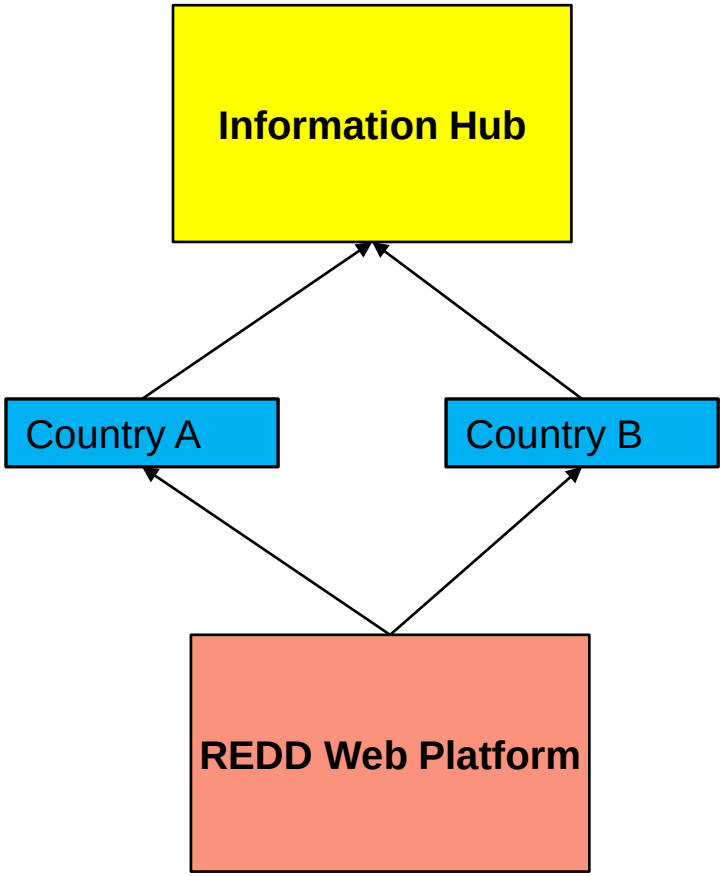
Relationship between information hub and REDD web platform

What should be the entry point?

Option a): centrally



Option b): on country pages



Consultation process

- For entering payments received for results by developing country Parties a communication process has to be established according to paragraph 13 of decision 9/CP.19.

- This process should also extent to allow for consultation with the developing country Party concerned if such payments are communicated by any other entities.

- Two basic options can be identified for such a consultation process:

    1) Email communication

    2) Self-registration

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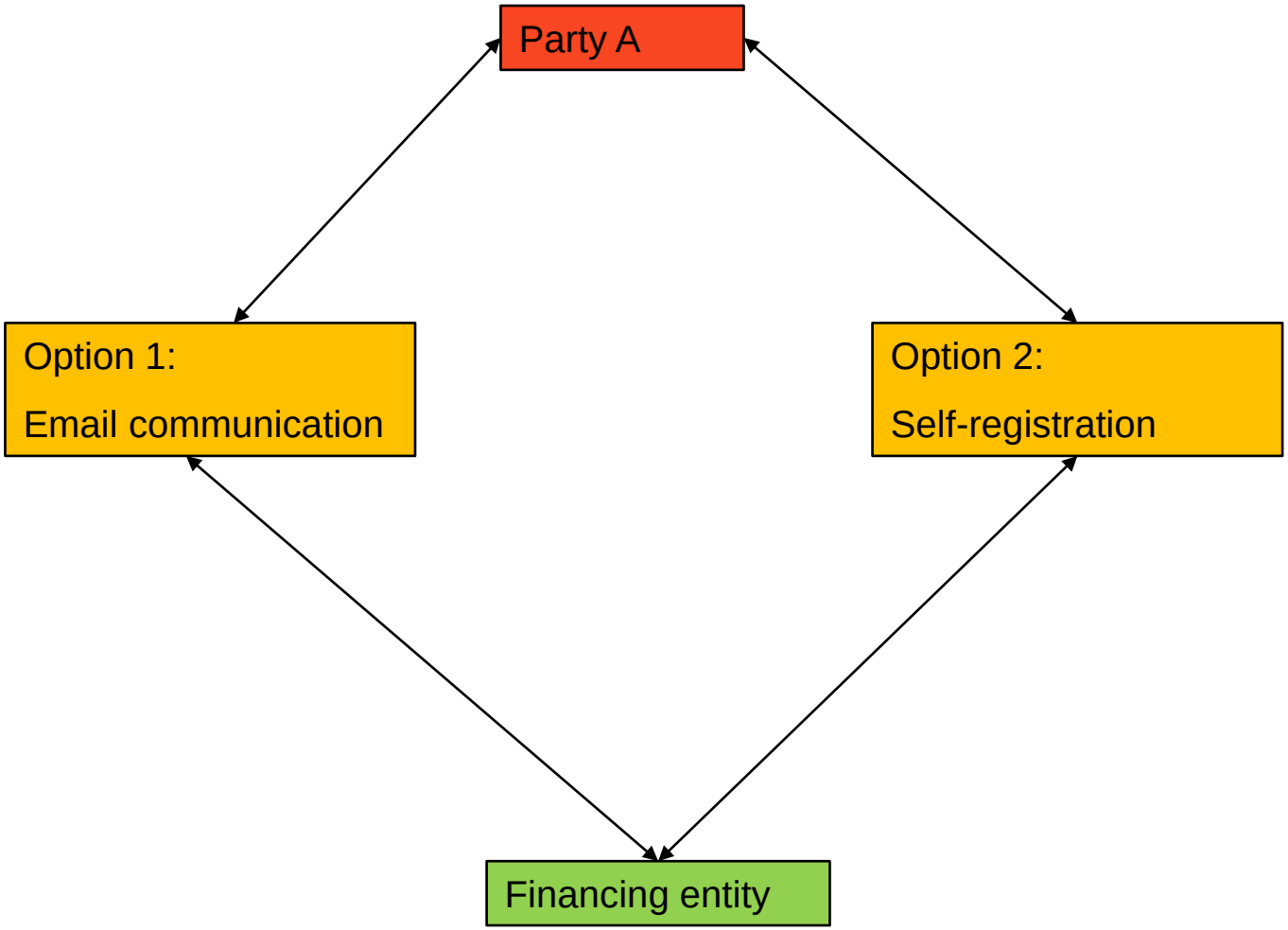


Related questions

- *What can be learned from international reporting of forest-related data and the design of related information portals with regards to making the information available in a simple, transparent and easily accessible manner?*

- *What should be the entry point for the information hub, and the relationship between the information hub and the REDD Web Platform?*

- *How can the interaction between the secretariat and the developing country Party on the matter of insertion of information on results-based payments be structured efficiently?*

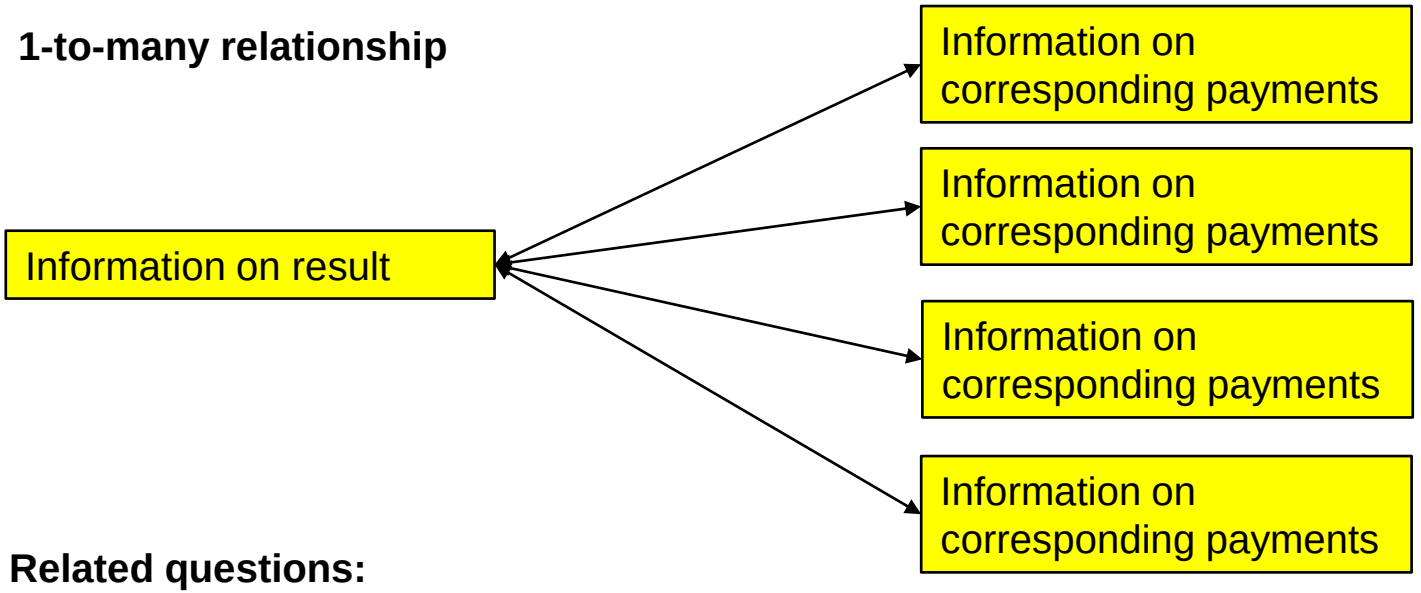
Data structure

Information	Number format	Text format
The results in tCO_2/year and as reported in the technical report	tCO_2/year	Hyperlink
The assessed forest reference emission level and/or forest reference level and a link to the report by the technical assessment team	tCO_2/year	Hyperlink
The summary of information on how all of the safeguards are being addressed and respected	-	Hyperlink
A link to the Party's national strategy or action plan on REDD-plus	-	Hyperlink
Information on the national forest monitoring system as provided in the technical annex to the BUR	-	Hyperlink and/or text
Information on quantity of results for which payments were received and the entity paying for results	tCO_2/year	Entity

- Some additional information would probably be needed for each result in order to differentiate between entries, e.g. the name of the submitting country and the submission year or date.

Data structure

1-to-many relationship



Related questions:

- *In order to differentiate between the different sources of payments for one result, should there be a voluntary possibility to specify information for each payment received, e.g. time, geographic location, project number, weblink, or other additional information?*

- *How to best ensure that links with any other relevant future system under the Convention will be possible (para 17 of decision 9/CP.19)?*

Summary

- The content of the information hub is set in decision 9/CP.19
- There are some options on technical setup and display of information which will be discussed further at this meeting
- Using similar technology and design for the information hub and the upgrade of the REDD Web Platform will lead to efficiency gains (e.g. also user registration)

Thank you for your attention!

Websites for further information on REDD-plus:

1) http://unfccc.int/redd

2) http://www.unfccc-redd-forum.net/

Questions day 1

Session I: Setting the scene

- *What are some lessons learned from implementation of national REDD-plus portals that could inform the design of the information hub?*

Session II: The big picture – general look and feel

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Questions day 2

Session III: Detailed technical considerations

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