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PROGRAMME ON CLIMATE FINANCE, INCLUDING ON ARTICLE 9, PARAGRAPH 1

VIEWS FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (EPDA), CAMEROON

- a) **What are your overall expectations for the climate finance work programme? What concrete outputs and outcomes should the climate finance work programme deliver?**

EPDA expects the climate finance work programme under Article 9 of the Paris Agreement to ensure predictable, adequate, and accessible funding for community-driven adaptation and mitigation in Cameroon, with priority to vulnerable groups and nature-based solutions.

Outputs: Clear finance targets, simplified access modalities for local NGOs, strengthened national financing frameworks, and transparent tracking systems.

Outcomes: Increased direct access to climate funds, enhanced resilience of local communities, strengthened institutional capacity, and measurable reductions in climate risks and emissions, aligned with Cameroon's NDCs and sustainable development priorities.

- b) **What are the thematic pillars of the climate finance work programme and the related subtopics that we should address within each pillar?**

According to the EPDA, the following thematic pillars of the work program and related subtopics should be addressed:

- **Access & Mobilization of Finance:** Strengthen pipelines for Green Climate Fund and multilateral funds; improve bankable project design; de-risk investments; mobilize private capital (e.g., agroforestry, renewables).
- **Governance & Institutional Capacity:** Enhance coordination across ministries; improve transparency, fiduciary standards, and measurement, reporting, and verification (MRV) systems; decentralize finance to councils as provided by the law of decentralization in Cameroon.
- **Equity & Inclusion:** Prioritize vulnerable regions (Far North); integrate gender, youth, and indigenous peoples; support community-led adaptation.
- **Implementation & Impact:** Focus on nature-based solutions, climate-smart agriculture, forest conservation; track results and co-benefits (jobs, resilience).

- c) **How should the climate finance work programme be organized to ensure that the format is inclusive, balanced, and technically robust, while addressing climate finance comprehensively and delivering outcomes that are actionable and meaningful?**

According to EPDA, the work programme should combine inclusive multi-stakeholder dialogues (governments, communities, youth, private sector) with balanced regional representation and thematic streams (mitigation, adaptation, loss and damage). It should integrate technical expert inputs, evidence reviews, and case studies, especially from vulnerable countries. Structured phases—scoping, deep-dive sessions, and synthesis can ensure coherence. Clear timelines, transparent reporting, and feedback loops are essential. Outputs should include practical recommendations, financing pathways, and implementation tools, co-developed with end-users to ensure relevance, accessibility, and real-world impact.