



Stakeholder mobilization, engagement and capacity building (with consideration to Gender and Minority) to implement REDD+ and tree-based projects : Barriers and challenges

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Why should I get involved?

□ Types of commitment to REDD+ Project

- **Type A – Information Sharing and Capacity Building (Cameroon REDD+ Process Case)**
 - Information sharing,
 - Capacity building and Exchange opportunity with a wide range of both stakeholders and rights holders
 - But limited understanding of REDD+ concepts, donor objectives and government plans.
- **Type B – Analysis of Issues (Cameroon REDD+ Process Case)**
 - General-invitation consultation meetings
 - Reviewing technical reports





Why should I get involved?

□ Types of commitment to REDD+ Project

- **Type C – Negotiation, Consensus-Building and Consent about :**
 - A problem of definition of concepts (Forest definition, Law carbon definition, etc.)
 - Setting REDD+ processes, social and environmental impact assessment and monitoring, initiation
 - Implementation procedures for consent and grievance resolution, benefit sharing
 - Institutional arrangements and direct participation in decision-making
- **Type D – Oversight and Monitoring Roles with governments for the overall readiness planning**
 - Government agencies (two) _ MINFOF & MINEPDED who **Coordinating REDD+ program**
 - **The role of others agencies is questionable : MINPROFF ?(Gender issue) & MINAS? (Minorities issue)**





When to get involved?

□ Taking into account the different stages of implementation of a REDD+ project

- **Project idea note (PIN) by using CLIP tools**
 - **Determination of drivers of deforestation and degradation**
 - **Definition of Projects activities**
 - **Roles of stakeholders**
 - **Etc.**
- **Feasibility Studies (FS) by using CLIP tools**
 - **Link between drivers of deforestation and forest cover status**
 - **Capacity building assessment of stakeholders**
 - **Benefit sharing mechanisms**
 - **Conflict identification and management**
 - **availability of land**
 - **Clarification of land tenure for carbon market**
 - **Etc.**
- **Project Document Design (PDD)**





When to get involved?

☐ Taking into account the different stages of REDD+ Project

▪ Implementation

▪ Capacity building of stakeholders

- MRV
- Tree planting
- REDD+ Safeguards under the UNFCCC

▪ Monitoring

▪ Capacity building of stakeholders

- MRV

▪ Payment

▪ Benefit sharing mechanisms



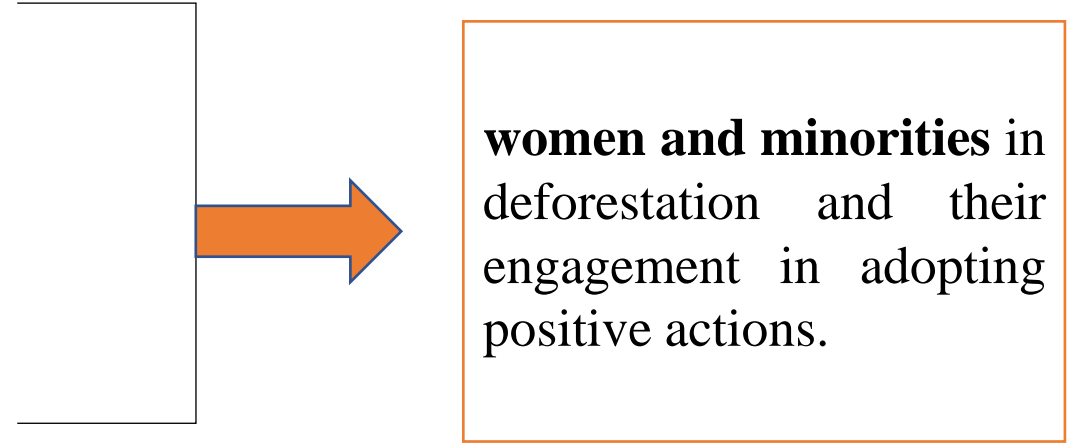


Who to engage/collaborate with?

□ Typologies of stakeholders

▪ Local populations,

- Forest-dependent communities
- Indigenous peoples
- Smallholders



- Local populations as main stakeholders but suffer from the **problem of representation with a lack of legitimate representation bodies or platforms**
- **Building the capacity of indigenous** peoples and local communities, which incorporates gender considerations (including capacity building for women, men and youth is questionable).





Who to engage/collaborate with?

□ Typologies of stakeholders

▪ Civil society organizations (CSOs)

- Civil society is concerned about ongoing awards of concessions during REDD+ Readiness planning and inadequate analyses of private sector roles in deforestation and degradation

▪ Government agencies

▪ Private sector entities,

In the case of Cameroon, private sector suffer from the problem of :

▪ Representation with Legitimate representation bodies or platforms

▪ Coordination

- **Limited involvement:** Private sector actors with potential stakes in REDD+ are not a uniform group with homogenous interests. Even within the same sector, opinions and strategies differ!!!!





Who to engage/collaborate with?

□ Typologies of stakeholders can be characterized by the 16 sectoral areas of the VCS for example

- 1. Energy (renewable/non-renewable)
- 2. Energy distribution
- 3. Energy demand
- 6. Construction
- 7. Transport
- 13. Waste treatment and disposal
- 14. Agriculture, forestry and other land uses (AFOLU)
- 15. Livestock and manure management
- 16. Carbon capture and storage
- Etc.





what am' I committing myself to?

- The basis of engagement that depend on:
 - Selected Standards : VCS ? CCBA ? the both !!
 - Nature of REDD+ Activities : e. g : AFOLU's activities
 - Afforestation, Reforestation and Revegetation (ARR)
 - Agricultural Land Management (ALM)
 - Improved Forest Management (IFM)
 - Reducing emissions from deforestation and degradation (REDD)
 - Avoiding Conversion of Grasslands and Shrublands (ACoGS)
 - Wetland Restoration and Conservation (WRC)





Means of engagement/Participation :

Knowledge, Qualification and ability as second challenge : **capacity building matrix**

Knowledge

Qualification

Ability

Implementation of REDD+ activities

- Reducing emissions from deforestation and degradation (REDD)
- Agricultural Land Management (ALM)





Means of engagement/Participation :

e.g. Knowledge, Qualification and Ability to implement ALM practices

- Practices that increase soil carbon stocks
- Nitrogen fertilizer management practices to reduce nitrogen content
- Conversion of grassland to cropland through the establishment of orchards or agroforestry on degraded grassland
 - State of knowledge, skills and technologies already exist
 - How many women? How many men? How many from minorities? (using gender approaches)
 - Identification of weaknesses/assessment of capacity building needs
- Recognize of traditional knowledge, innovations and practices in natural resources management;





Means of engagement/Participation :

Availability of decision making and governance process/framework

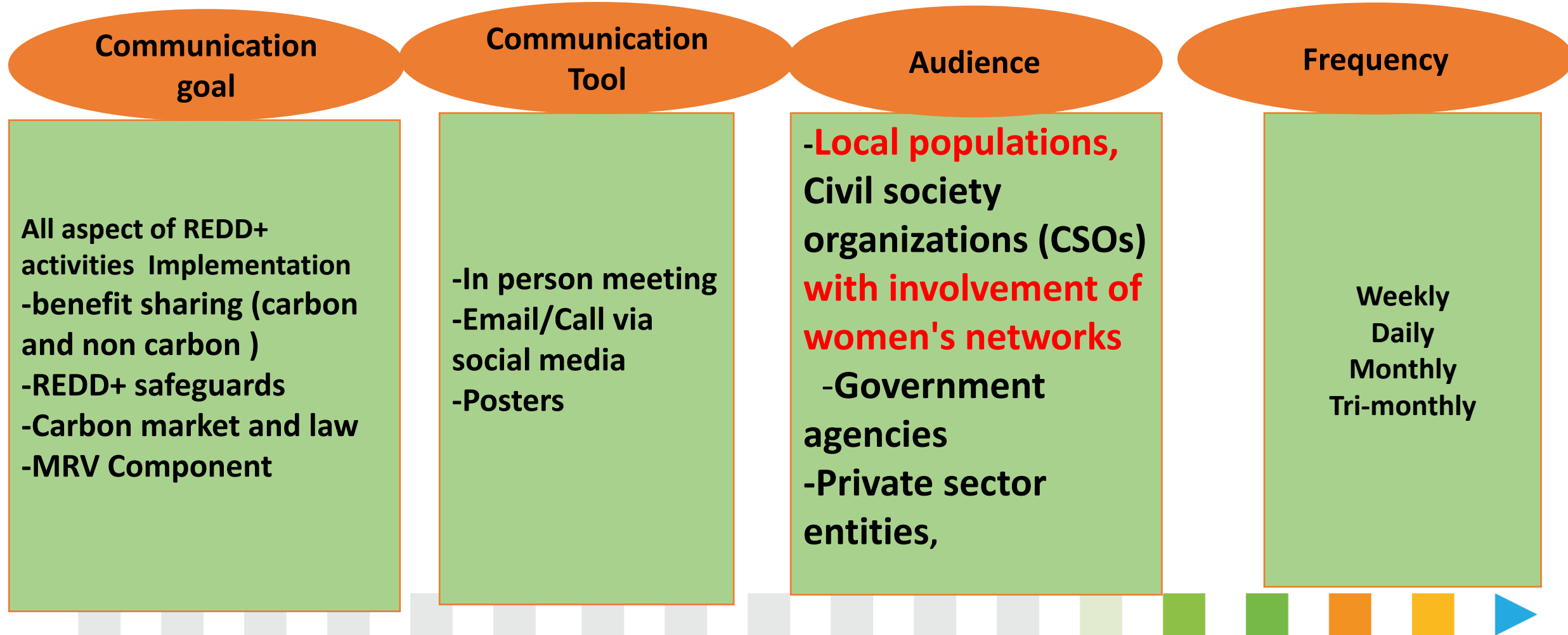
- **Existence of consultation frameworks at national and regional level**
- **Conflict management mechanisms (dealing with complaints with functioning appeal mechanisms)**
 - **Access to justice and grievance mechanisms for women, men and youth.**
- **Legitimacy and accountability of representative bodies;**
- **Participatory mechanisms for consultation, participation and respect for consent**





Information exchange : Transparency and Access to Information

Giving a real visibility to a communication plan





Conclusion

Contribution to implementation of adaptation and mitigation actions against Climate Change.

Stakeholder engagement improves REDD+ Projects and empowers stakeholders by:

- Facilitating **early** identification of interested stakeholders, issues, conflicts and benefits, gathering data, exchanging and generating ideas;
- Creating communication channels and learning opportunities;
- Developing shared understandings, agreement and buy-in regarding priorities, policies and programs, protocols and solutions that are more sustainable and cost-effective
- Providing venues to disseminate grievances when group decisions are not implemented as expected





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with consideration to Gender

- **Identify and address gender gaps in REDD+ participation processes.**
- **Create a gender-sensitive baseline.**
- **Promote gender-sensitive and inclusive workshops**
- **women's shared vision of their role in forest and nature conservation**





For the engagement of stakeholders in the implementation of REDD+ in Cameroon, the road ahead remains long

Thanks

