

Republic of Burundi

Ministry of Environment, Agriculture and Livestock of Burundi (MINEAGRIE)

BURUNDI COLLINE CLIMATE RESILIENCE PROJECT (P180864)

Draft

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL COMMITMENT PLAN (ESCP)

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1. The Republic of Burundi (the Recipient) will implement the Burundi Colline Climate Resilience Project (P180864), with the involvement of the Ministry of Environment, Agriculture and Livestock of Burundi (MINEAGRIE), as set out in the Financing Agreement. The International Development Association (Association), has agreed to provide financing (P180864) for the Project, as set out in the referred agreement.
2. The Recipient shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the Environmental and Social Standards (ESSs) and this Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP), in a manner acceptable to the Association. The ESCP is a part of the Financing Agreement. Unless otherwise defined in this ESCP, capitalized terms used in this ESCP have the meanings ascribed to them in the referred agreement.
3. Without limitation to the foregoing, this ESCP sets out material measures and actions that the Recipient shall carry out or cause to be carried out, including, as applicable, the timeframes of the actions and measures, institutional, staffing, training, monitoring and reporting arrangements, and grievance management. The ESCP also sets out the environmental and social (E&S) instruments that shall be adopted and implemented under the Project, all of which shall be subject to prior consultation and disclosure, consistent with the ESS, and in form and substance, and in a manner acceptable to the Association. Once adopted, said E&S instruments may be revised from time to time with prior written agreement by the Association.
4. As agreed by the Association and the Recipient, this ESCP will be revised from time to time if necessary, during Project implementation, to reflect adaptive management of Project changes and unforeseen circumstances or in response to Project performance. In such circumstances, the Recipient through MINEAGRIE and the Association agree to update the ESCP to reflect these changes through an exchange of letters signed between the Association and the Recipient through the Project Implementing Unit (PIU) coordinator of the Burundi Colline Climate Resilience Project (P180864). The Recipient shall promptly disclose the updated ESCP.

MATERIAL MEASURES AND ACTIONS		TIMEFRAME	RESPONSIBLE ENTITY
MONITORING AND REPORTING			
A	<p>REGULAR REPORTING</p> <p>Prepare and submit to the Association regular monitoring reports on the environmental, social, health and safety (ESHS) performance of the Project, including but not limited to the implementation of the ESCP, status of preparation and implementation of E&S instruments required under the ESCP, stakeholder engagement activities, and functioning of the grievance mechanism, including reporting on SEA/SH incidents.</p>	<p>Submit quarterly reports to the Association throughout Project implementation, commencing after the Effective Date. Submit each report to the Association no later than 15 days after the end of each reporting period.</p>	<p>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</p>
B	<p>INCIDENTS AND ACCIDENTS</p> <p>Promptly notify the Association of any incident or accident related to the Project which has, or is likely to have, a significant adverse effect on the environment, the affected communities including women and girls specifically, the public or workers, including, inter alia, cases of sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA), sexual harassment (SH), and accidents that result in death, serious or multiple injury. Provide sufficient detail regarding the scope, severity, and possible causes of the incident or accident, indicating immediate measures taken or that are planned to be taken to address it, and any information provided by any contractor and/or supervising firm, as appropriate.</p> <p>Subsequently, at the Association’s request, prepare a report on the incident or accident and propose any measures to address it and prevent its recurrence.</p>	<p>Notify the Association no later than 48 hours after learning of the incident or accident.</p> <p>For SEA/SH incident/ accident, notify the Association no later than 24 hours after learning of the incident or accident.</p> <p>Provide subsequent reports to the Association within a timeframe acceptable to the Association.</p>	<p>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</p>
C	<p>CONTRACTORS’ MONTHLY REPORTS</p> <p>Require contractors and supervising firms to provide monthly monitoring reports on ESHS performance in accordance with the metrics specified in the respective bidding documents and contracts, and submit such reports to the Association.</p>	<p>Submit the monthly reports to the Association as annexes to the reports to be submitted under action A above, or upon request.</p>	<p>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</p>
ESS 1: ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL RISKS AND IMPACTS			

MATERIAL MEASURES AND ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME	RESPONSIBLE ENTITY
<p>1.1 ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE</p> <p>Establish and maintain the national level -Bujumbura a Project Implementing Unit (PIU) within MINEAGRIE tasked with ESHS management, with qualified full-time dedicated staff and resources to support management of ESHS risks and impacts of the Project including: one environmental specialist, one social specialist with gender and social inclusion expertise, and one Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Specialist.</p> <p>Establish and maintain branches at provincial level (Muyinga, Isare and Gitega) with qualified staff and sufficient resources to support the management of the Project's ESS risks and impacts.</p>	<p>Establish and maintain the PIU as set out in the financing agreement. Hire the at the national level a GBV specialist prior to the Effective Date, and thereafter maintain these positions throughout Project implementation. The PIU at the national level-Bujumbura has hired an environmental specialist and a social development specialist, and they shall be maintained throughout project implementation.</p> <p>Establish and maintain branches at the provincial level as set out in the financing agreement. One community specialist based in Muyinga, Isare and Gitega shall be recruited prior to the beginning of project activities in these communities, and they shall be maintained throughout project implementation.</p>	<p>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</p>
<p>1.2 ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL INSTRUMENTS</p> <p>1. Adopt and implement an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), and corresponding Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) as set out in the ESMF of the Project, consistent with the relevant ESSs.</p> <p>2. Adopt and implement an Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) for the Project, consistent with the relevant ESSs. The activities described in the exclusion list set out in the ESMF shall be ineligible to receive financing under the Project.</p> <p>3. Cause contractors and subcontractors and implementation partners (private firms, subcontractors, NGOs, etc.) to adopt and implement the subproject site-specific Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP), as set out in the ESMF.</p>	<p>1. Adopt the ESIA and ESMP prior to commencing the bidding processes for any works for which such instruments are required as set out in the ESMF, and thereafter implement the ESIA and ESMPs throughout Project implementation.</p> <p>2. Adopt the ESMF prior to completing appraisal and, thereafter, implement the ESMF throughout Project implementation.</p>	<p>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</p>

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	4. Proposed activities described in the exclusion list established in the ESMF shall not be eligible to receive funding under the Project.	3. Adopt the ESMP prior to the carrying out of subproject that requires the adoption of such ESMP. Once adopted, implement the respective ESMP throughout Project implementation. 4. Throughout implementation.	
1.3	MANAGEMENT OF CONTRACTORS Incorporate the relevant aspects of the ESCP, including, inter alia, the relevant E&S instruments, the Labor Management Procedures, and code of conduct, into the ESHS specifications of the procurement documents and contracts with contractors and supervising firms. Thereafter ensure that the contractors and supervising firms comply and cause subcontractors to comply with the ESHS specifications of their respective contracts.	As part of the preparation of procurement documents and respective contracts. Supervise contractors throughout Project implementation.	Project Implementing Unit (PIU)
1.4	TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE Ensure that the consultancies, studies (including feasibility studies, plans and guidelines, for the development of 71 integrated sub-watershed management plans;) elaboration and implementation of the Colline-level Action Plans, development of appropriate local zoning regulations, defining priority climate-resilient investment packages, etc.), capacity building, training, and any other technical assistance activities under the Project are carried out in accordance with terms of reference acceptable to the Association, that are consistent with the ESSs. Thereafter ensure that the outputs of such activities comply with the terms of reference.	Throughout Project implementation.	Project Implementing Unit (PIU)
1.5	CONTINGENT [EMERGENCY] [EARLY] RESPONSE FINANCING a) Ensure that the CERC-Manual includes a description of the ESHS assessment and management arrangements in accordance with the ESSs. b) Adopt a CERC-ESMF in accordance with the CERC Manual and the ESSs, and thereafter implement the measures and actions required under said E&S instruments, within the timeframes specified in said E&S instruments.	a) The adoption of the CERC manual and, if applicable, other instruments, as relevant in form and substance acceptable to the Association is a withdrawal condition under Section [XX] of Schedule 2 of the Financing agreement for the Project.	Project Implementing Unit (PIU)

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		b) Adopt any required E&S instrument and include it as part of the respective bidding process, if applicable, and in any case, before the carrying out of the relevant Project activities for which the E&S instrument is required. Implement the E&S instruments in accordance with their terms, throughout Project implementation.	
1.6	<p>ASSOCIATED FACILITIES</p> <p>Cause all owner/ operator of the associated facility to ensure that the activities in the identify associated facility are carried out in accordance with the applicable requirements of this ESCP and the ESSs , including, inter alia, the ESIA, ESMP, LMP, management of contractors, RAP, SEP, etc.</p>	Throughout project implementation.	Project Implementing Unit (PIU)
ESS 2: LABOR AND WORKING CONDITIONS			
2.1	<p>LABOR MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES</p> <p>Adopt and implement the Labor Management Procedures (LMP) for the Project, including, inter alia, provisions on working conditions, management of workers relationships, occupational health and safety (including personal protective equipment, and emergency preparedness and response), code of conduct (including provisions relating to SEA and SH), forced labor, child labor, grievance arrangements for Project workers, and applicable requirements for community workers, contractors, subcontractors, and supervising firms.</p>	Adopt the LMP prior to Appraisal, and thereafter implement the LMP throughout Project implementation.	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>
2.2	<p>GRIEVANCE MECHANISM FOR PROJECT WORKERS</p> <p>Establish and operate a grievance mechanism for Project workers, as described in the LMP and consistent with ESS2.</p>	Establish grievance mechanism prior engaging Project workers and thereafter maintain and operate it throughout Project implementation.	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>
ESS 3: RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT			
3.1	<p>WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN</p> <p>Adopt and implement a Waste Management Plan (WMP), to manage hazardous and non-hazardous wastes, consistent with ESS3.</p>	Same timeframe for the adoption and implementation of the ESMF, and thereafter implement the WMP throughout Project implementation.	Project Implementing Unit (PIU)
3.2	<p>RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT</p> <p>Incorporate resource efficiency and pollution prevention and management measures in the ESMP to be prepared under action 1.2.1 and 1.2.3 above.</p>	Same timeframe as for the adoption and implementation of the ESIA/ESMP.	Project Implementing Unit (PIU)

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3.3	<p>PEST MANAGEMENT PLAN</p> <p>Adopt and implement a Pest Management Plan (PMP), to manage plagues and parasites, consistent with ESS3</p>	Same timeframe for the adoption and implementation of the ESMF, and thereafter implement the PMP throughout project implementation	Project Implementing Unit (PIU)
ESS 4: COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY			
4.1	<p>TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY</p> <p>Incorporate measures to manage traffic and road safety risks as required in the ESMP to be prepared under action 1.2.1, 1.2.2 and 1.2.3 above.</p>	Same timeframe as for the adoption and implementation of the ESMF, ESIA and ESMP.	Project Implementing Unit (PIU)
4.2	<p>COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY</p> <p>Assess and manage specific risks and impacts to the community arising from Project activities , including, inter alia, behavior of Project workers, risks of labor influx, response to emergency situations, and include mitigation measures in the ESMPs to be prepared in accordance with the ESMF.</p>	Same timeframe as for the adoption and implementation of the ESMPs.	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>
4.3	<p>SEA AND SH RISKS Adopt and implement a SEA/SH Action Plan, to assess and manage the risks of SEA and SH. Specifically, this will involve mapping of GBV service providers and referral circuit for assistance to survivors, including children, and assessing the quality of their services and ensuring safe and accessible reporting channels for women and girls.</p>	Adopt the SEA/SH Action Plan prior to Appraisal, as part of the ESMF, and thereafter implement the SEA/SH Action Plan throughout Project implementation.	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>
ESS 5: LAND ACQUISITION, RESTRICTIONS ON LAND USE AND INVOLUNTARY RESETTLEMENT			
5.1	<p>RESETTLEMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK</p> <p>Adopt and implement a Resettlement Policy Framework (RPF) for the Project, consistent with ESS5.</p>	Adopt the RPF prior to Appraisal, and thereafter implement the RPF throughout Project implementation.	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>
5.2	<p>RESETTLEMENT PLANS</p> <p>Adopt and implement a resettlement action plan (RAP), Livelihoods Restoration Plan (LRP), or Process Framework (PF) for each activity under the Project for which the RPF requires such RAP, LRP, or PF, as set out in the RPF, and consistent with ESS5.</p>	Adopt and implement the respective RAP, LRP, or PF, as needed, including ensuring that before taking possession of the land and related assets, full compensation has been provided and as applicable displaced people have been resettled and moving allowances have been provided.	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>

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5.3	<p>GRIEVANCE MECHANISM</p> <p>Establish the grievance mechanism (GM) to address resettlement related complaints as described in the RPF, RAPs and SEP. Conduct consultations with women and girls oriented to the resettlement process and identify the GBV/EAS/HS risks to which they are potentially exposed during this process and provide specific safe and accessible entrances to the GM for them.</p>	Establish grievance mechanism prior to the commencement of any resettlement related activities and thereafter maintain and operate it throughout Project implementation, in accordance with the timeframe established in 10.2.	
ESS 6: BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF LIVING NATURAL RESOURCES			
6.1	<p>BIODIVERSITY RISKS AND IMPACTS</p> <p>Adopt and implement a Biodiversity Management Plan (BMP) in accordance with the guidelines of the ESMF prepared for the Project, and consistent with ESS6.</p>	Adopt the BMP prior to the commencement of any subprojects that require the adoption of the BMP, and thereafter implement the BMP throughout Project implementation.	Project Implementing Unit (PIU)
ESS 7: INDIGENOUS PEOPLES/SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN HISTORICALLY UNDERSERVED TRADITIONAL LOCAL COMMUNITIES [See examples of possible actions below that can be used if determined that ESS7 is relevant, as set out in paragraph 54 of the E&S Policy and paragraphs 8-10 of ESS7].			
7.1	<p>INDIGENOUS PEOPLES PLANNING FRAMEWORK</p> <p>Adopt and implement an Indigenous Peoples Planning Framework (IPPF) for the Project, consistent with ESS7.</p>	Adopt the IPPF prior to Appraisal, and thereafter implement the IPPF throughout Project implementation.	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>
7.2	<p>INDIGENOUS PEOPLES PLAN</p> <p>Adopt and implement an Indigenous Peoples Plan (IPP) for each activity under the Project for which the IPPF requires such IPP, as set out in the IPPF, and consistent with ESS7.</p>	Adopt the IPP prior to the carrying out of any activity that requires the preparation of such IPP. Once adopted, implement the respective IPP throughout Project implementation.	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>
7.3	<p>GRIEVANCE MECHANISM</p> <p>a) Establish the grievance mechanism to address complaints submitted by indigenous peoples as described in the IPPF, IPPs, and SEP.</p> <p>b) Carry out consultations with IP women to identify specific GBV risks, including EAS/HS, safe and accessible channels to GM, accessible GBV services and IP women as focal points in local committees.</p>	<p>a) Adopt the GM prior to the carrying out of any relevant activity. Once adopted, implement the respective GM throughout Project implementation, in accordance with the timeframe established in 10.2.</p> <p>b) Throughout Project implementation.</p>	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>
ESS 8: CULTURAL HERITAGE			

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8.1	CHANCE FINDS Describe and implement the chance finds procedures, as part of the ESMF and in each ESMP (as necessary) of the Project.	Describe the chance find procedures in the ESMF. Implement the procedures throughout Project implementation.	Project Implementing Unit (PIU)
8.2	Adopt and implement a Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) as part of the ESMF and in accordance with the guidelines of the ESIA prepared for the Project, and consistent with ESS8.	Adopt the CHMP prior to commencing subproject activity that requires the adoption of such CHMP, and thereafter implement the CHMP throughout Project implementation.	
ESS 9: FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES - NOT RELEVANT			
ESS 10: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE			
10.1	STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION Adopt and implement a Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) for the Project, consistent with ESS10, which shall include measures to, inter alia, provide stakeholders with timely, relevant, understandable and accessible information, and consult with them in a culturally appropriate manner, which is free of manipulation, interference, coercion, discrimination and intimidation. Conduct consultations with women and girls in order to identify children's and women's NGO and women focal point in local committee.	Disclose and adopt the SEP prior to Appraisal, and thereafter implement the SEP throughout Project implementation.	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>
10.2	PROJECT GRIEVANCE MECHANISM Establish, publicize, maintain, and operate an accessible grievance mechanism, to receive and facilitate resolution of concerns and grievances in relation to the Project, promptly and effectively, in a transparent manner that is culturally appropriate and readily accessible to all Project-affected parties, at no cost and without retribution, including concerns and grievances filed anonymously, in a manner consistent with ESS10. The grievance mechanism shall be equipped to receive, register, and facilitate the resolution of SEA/SH complaints, including through the referral of survivors to relevant gender-based violence service providers, all in a safe, confidential, and survivor-centered manner.	Establish the grievance mechanism 30 days after project effectiveness, or prior to carrying out any relevant activity, whichever happens first, and thereafter maintain and operate the mechanism throughout Project implementation.	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>
CAPACITY SUPPORT			
CS1	The following trainings may be required for PIU staff, stakeholders, implementation partners, Sub-Watershed Management Committees, Colline Development Committees, ESIA authorities, communities, Project workers, etc. on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> stakeholder mapping and engagement 	Starting 3 months after the Effective Date of the Project and implemented throughout project implementation	Project Implementing Unit (PIU)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • specific aspects of environmental and social assessment • emergency preparedness and response • community health and safety • Assessing the impacts on vulnerable groups, such as indigenous populations, agro-pastoralists, and the women who practice these livelihoods. • occupational health and safety (OHS) for workers; • Management of pesticides and packaging • Traffic safety (road safety), • Grievance redress mechanisms, including SEA/SH grievances • GBV/SEA/SH • Code of conduct with SEA/SH provisions, • Others (to be determined according to needs). 		
CS2	Additional capacity needs assessment of the above listed key stakeholders for managing E&S risks and impacts, including the risks related to SEA/SH, shall be conducted, and a capacity building plan developed and implemented	Starting 6 months after the Effective Date, implement throughout project implementation	Project Implementing Unit (PIU)
CS3	Training for Project workers on occupational health and safety including on emergency prevention and preparedness and response arrangements to emergency situations.	Throughout the implementation of the Project	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>
CS4	Training session for suppliers and service providers on social and environmental risks and impacts and ESS requirements, as well as on occupational health and safety, GRMs, codes of conduct, including emergency prevention and prevention of GBV/SEA/SH risks.	Before the start of relevant activities and throughout Project implementation.	<i>Project Implementing Unit (PIU)</i>