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# INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATA SHEET IDENTIFICATION / CONCEPT STAGE

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#### I. BASIC INFORMATION

#### A. Basic Project Data

Country:	Africa	Project ID:	P155374	
Project Name:	Pan-African Civil Society FCPF Capacity Building Program on REDD+ Project			
Team Leader(s):	Nicholas Meitiaki Soikan			
Estimated Date of Approval:	30-Sep-2015			
Managing Unit:	GSURR	Lending Instrument:	Lending Instrument	
Sector(s):	Forestry (100%)			
Theme(s):	Participation and civic engagement (20%), Other social development (20%), Social Inclusion (60%)			
Financing (in USI	Million)			
Total Project Cost:	0.35644	Total Bank Fir	Total Bank Financing: 0	
Financing Gap:	0		·	
Financing Sourc	e		Amount	
Readiness Fund o	f the Forest Carbon Partr	nership Facility	0.35644	
<b>Environment Category:</b>	C - Not Required			

#### **B.** Project Development Objective(s)

To build the capacity of targeted civil society organizations in Africa and enhance their knowledge, and understanding of REDD+, and increase their participation in REDD+ processes at national and regional levels. (Participating countries will be defined further during preparation.)

### C. Project Description

The project will finance the following three main components:

Component 1: Capacity Building Activities for targeted Pan-African civil society organizations (Approx. US \$230,296.00)

Under this component capacity building activities will be supported in eligible REDD+ countries in Africa, i.e.: Cameroon, Central African Republic, Republic of Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Gabon, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Mozambique, Nigeria, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo and Uganda). Countries under the FIP Program in Africa i.e. Ghana, Burkina Faso and Democratic Republic of

Congo will not receive support to implement local level activities under this component.

Keeping in mind that formulation of the REDD+ strategy is a process that is participatory in nature, capacity-building activities provide CSOs with a valuable tool for engaging more meaningfully in the implementation of REDD+ activities. Activities under this component will be proposed and implemented by civil society organizations based on their current needs and a self-assessment of areas in which additional information and knowledge are needed. These activities will be defined during project preparation.

This component will support the implementation of capacity building activities for selected civil society organizations in eligible REDD+ participating countries in Africa, to: (i) enhance their understanding of climate change and REDD+; (ii) improve their participation in the preparation of REDD+ strategies and implementation of REDD+ Programs; and (iii) enhance their participation in the discussions on the role of REDD+ in climate change mitigation. Capacity building activities under this component will include activities such as: the carrying out of training and workshops, the preparation of studies and analytical reports, and the preparation of training and other materials. The scope of the capacity building activities at the country level will be further developed during project appraisal. Further, strengthening the CSOs capacities of accountability to their constituencies and enhancing of gender issues all REDD+ activities will also be considered under this component.

Component 2: Regional level activities and Dissemination of project results (Approx. US \$ 90,500.00)

This component will finance the design and implementation of a communication strategy to disseminate at the country and regional level the results of the activities carried out, including the preparation of good practices and lessons learned. The dissemination of results will target fellow southern civil society organizations in each of the targeted project countries, as well as national and regional REDD+ process and climate change forums. Communication strategies will draw upon existing resources, relationships, and networks to the maximum extent possible. The materials will be culturally appropriate. In addition, it provides valuable information to identify replicable materials that can be customized and adapted to context-specific situations. Data on women and youth participation will be highlighted.

Activities under this component will finance dissemination, civil society regional networks and platforms forums, and the publication of written and audio-visual materials. Materials may be produced to the extent possible both in appropriate languages, taking into considerations Africa main languages i.e. French, English and Portuguese given that Mozambique is part of the eligible countries participating in the FCPF. PACJA will consult with existing regional networks relevant to REDD+ in the Africa region to seek broader support of the work plan. Events like the African Carbon Forum, AMCEN meetings, Conference of Parties regional preparatory forums and other events in the region will be used a good platforms to share knowledge with other regional networks. CSO forums in the region will provide inputs to the planned activities and these will be communicated to the World Bank through PACJA.

Under this component FCPF countries in the region will be eligible to receive materials and other knowledge exchange products.

Component 3: Management and Administration (Approx. US \$ 35,644)

Under this component, support will also be provided for PACJA day-to-day project implementation and management including, procurement, financial management, preparation of annual work plans and organization of audit reports. It will also support overhead costs including for the PACJA secretariat in dispensing its mandate in regards to this project.

## D. Project location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis (if known)

Civil Society Organizations in REDD+ countries participating in the FCPF in Africa, except for those also participating in the Forest Investment Program and its associated Dedicated Grant Mechanism, are eligible to receive support for capacity building activities in their respective countries. This would include Cameroon, Central African Republic, Republic of Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Gabon, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Mozambique, Nigeria, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, and Uganda.

#### E. Borrower's Institutional Capacity for Safeguard Policies

The recipient will receive capacity building and training to ensure to ensure its understanding of the World Bank's environmental and social safeguard policies and its responsibilities regarding compliance. Also, the capacity building would focus on assessing the capacity of the recipient to screen, scope and oversee compliance with safeguard policies, and to incorporate relevant elements of the polices to ensure the participation of stakeholders in the design and implementation of the capacity building activities.

#### F. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists on the Team

#### II. SAFEGUARD POLICIES THAT MIGHT APPLY

Safeguard Policies	Triggered?	Explanation (Optional)
Environmental Assessment OP/BP 4.01	No	Given the scope and scale of the Project, it is not expected that significant and irreversible environmental impacts and risks will be generated. The operational manual for the Project will include screening and follow-up procedures for the management of potential environmental and social impacts for activities to be implemented under the Project, to include the ex-ante exclusion of certain activities (such as those requiring involuntary resettlement).
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	The fundamental purpose of the activities financed by the Project is to strengthen forest-dependent indigenous peoples' organizations to contribute to their national REDD+ Readiness processes. Any issues related to natural habitats will be addressed as part of the screening and follow up procedures prepared in accordance to the requirements of OP/BP 4.01.
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	Activities financed under the Project are expected to have eventual positive impacts on forest management by strengthening the

		capacity of forest-dependent indigenous peoples' organizations to contribute to their national REDD+ Readiness processes. Any issues related to forest will be addressed as part of the screening and follow up procedures prepared in accordance to the requirements of OP/BP 4.01.	
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	None of the activities that would be supported by the Project are expected to involve the procurement or a substantial increase in the use of pesticides. This would be specified in an exclusion list.	
Physical Cultural Resources OP/BP 4.11	No	This policy is not triggered because the Project is not expected to support any activities having an adverse impact on physical cultural resources.	
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	This policy is not triggered as the support provided under this Project will be targeted at in-country CSOs working on REDD+ and at organizations representing non-indigenous forest dwellers. Support is in fact being provided to indigenous peoples' organizations through a complementary but separate Project.	
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No	None of the activities that would be supported by the Project are expected to involve physical displacement and resettlement. Nor are they expected to involve the involuntary restriction of community access to natural resources in legally designated parks or protected areas. This would be specified in an exclusion list.	
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	None of the activities that would be supported by the Project are expected to involve the construction or operation of new or existing dams.	
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	This policy is not triggered because the Project is not expected to support any activities having adverse impacts on the efficient utilization and protection of international waterways.	
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	This policy is not triggered because the Project will not support activities in disputed areas.	

## III. SAFEGUARD PREPARATION PLAN

Appraisal stage ISDS required?: No

## IV. APPROVALS

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