

Cameroon MRV Status and Plans

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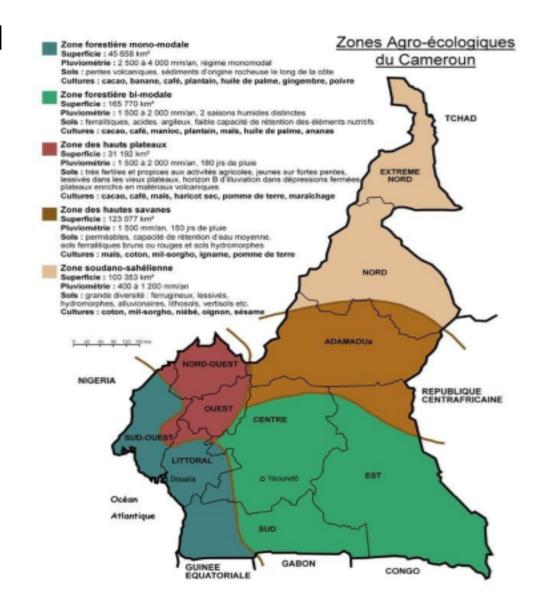
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Background/Context

- Five agro-ecological zones defined based on their ecological, climatic and edaphic characteristics:
 - Moist forest with monomodal rainfall
 - Forest with bimodal rainfall
 - High Plateau
 - Guinea high savanna
 - Sudano-sahelian
- Historically low deforestation but forest under enormous pressure (HFLD: >70% forest cover and 0.11% annual deforestation);
- Forest is under threat from increasing agricultural expansion, mining and infrastructure development.



REDD+ Vision

- REDD+ shall be a tool for sustainable development
- Apply integrated landscape approach and addressing future drivers: agricultural extension, urban & infrastructural expansion, mining;
- Ensure the participation of all stakeholders within a strategy for development and climate change mitigation and adaptation.

Political commitment

- INDC submitted with REDD+ playing an essential role;
- Development of an Economic Governance Matrix to include REDD+ related national reforms;
- CSOs and IP platforms actively participating in the REDD+ process;
- Palm oil strategy which allows increase in yields while ensuring zero deforestation;
- Revision of the forest law to better address governance issues;
- Elaboration of land use plan;
- Revision of land tenure laws to address its current shortcomings.

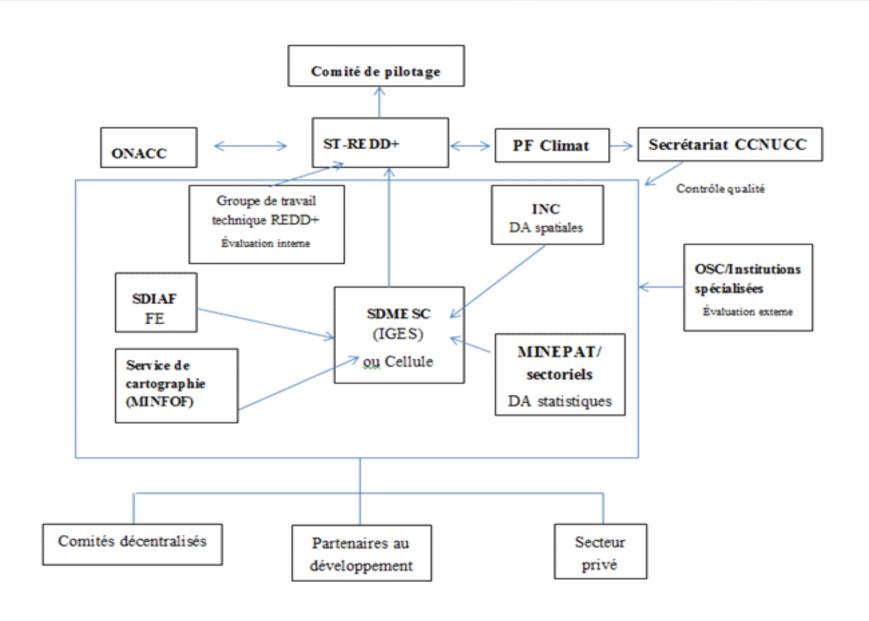
Institutional Arrangements

- Inter-ministerial and multi-stakeholder National REDD+ Steering committee established;
- Decentralized technical committees at regional and departmental levels;
- Steering Committee supported by a Technical Secretariat;
- Operationalization of the REDD+ Technical Secretariat (funding from government, WB FCPF and kfW);
- Technical Secretariat to elaborate national REDD+ strategy by the end of 2017.

Country progress towards Readiness

Components	Assessment of progress
Component 1	National REDD+ steering committee operational; REDD+ Technical Secretariat operational; Institutional arrangements to be decentralized (2016); FGRM (Sept 2016)
Component 2	Drivers study (mid 2016); National REDD+ strategy (Dec 2016); SESA/ESMF (June 2016); National CSO platform active
Component 3	REL (Dec 2016)
Component 4	Progress on MRV; Safeguard Information System (early 2017)

MRV Institutional Arrangements



Main MRV Institutions

- The National Climate Change Observatory (ONACC)
 - provides resources and data necessary for the functioning of the whole MRV system for GHG reporting;
 - provides technical guidance to ensure the alignment of MRV activities with the national climate change strategy.
- The REDD+ Technical Secretariat:
 - coordinates the conception, implementation, M&E of REDD+ activities;
 - mobilize funding and partnership both internally and externally for the implementation of planned activities.
 - coordinate the interventions between different actors involved in the REDD+ MRV system.

Phases of MRV Development

Plan

- Institutional arrangement for MRV
- Definition of roles & responsibilities of institutions (forest area change; carbon stock assessment; GHG reporting)
- Identification of capacity needs (infrastructural; human resources etc.)

Implementation

- Develop MRV capacities
- Establish frame for EObased forest cover monitoring & carbon stock accounting
- Conduct historical forest cover mapping & IPCC Tier
 2 carbon stock accounting

Monitoring/Reporting

 Establish consistent & continuous MRV supporting REDD+ actions & IPCC GPG-based accounting

Key components of the MRV Action Plan

- Setting up the organizational structure;
- Defining national circumstances;
- Elaboration of a national forest carbon monitoring concept;
- Designing an integrated QC/QA Plan;
- Capacity building (human resources and infrastructure);
- Accounting for non-carbon benefits;
- Elaborating a concept to integrating community-based monitoring in the national MRV.

Technical Assistance & Financial Resources

- Technical assistance and financial support from US Forest Service (approx. 100k USD);
- Provision of hard- and software, and technical assistance from GEOFORAFRI
 - 3 desktops
 - 1 server
 - 3 ENVI licenses
 - 3 ArcGIS licenses
- Availability of SPOT data archive

Areas of GFOI Support (1)

- Elaboration of a forest carbon monitoring concept.
 - Methods compendium and technical specifications (input data, thematic classes, products, accuracy etc.) for the analysis of remote sensing data to map/ measure/quantify AD;
 - Concept for estimating EF (sampling design, pre/post stratification etc.);
 - Techniques for relating AD and EF.

Areas of GFOI support (2)

- Integrated QC/QA Plan
 - Uncertainty assessment for AD, EF and GHG emissions and removals;
 - Uncertainty assessment (historic assessments).
- Capacity building
 - Human resources;
 - Infrastructure.
- International cooperation/collaboration
 - Participation in GFOI workshops;
 - Participation in seminars on MDG and REDDcompass;
 - Experience sharing (south-south cooperation)
 - Technical assistance support.

Merci pour votre attention!

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