REDD+ SES: a comprehensive framework for high social and environmental performance

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- Support the design, implementation and evaluation of governmentled REDD+ programs
- Consist of *principles, criteria and indicators* which define the necessary conditions to achieve high social and environmental performance
- Provide a *framework for reporting* of social and environmental performance using a country-led multi-stakeholder assessment process
- Aim to **enhance benefits** as well as **avoid harm**.





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REDD+ SES Initiative

Content of the standards

Principles

- 1. Respect for rights of indigenous peoples and local communities, including free, prior and informed, consent
- 2. Equitable benefit sharing
- 3. Benefits for local people
- 4. Contribution to broader sustainable development
- 5. Maintenance of biodiversity and ecosystem services
- 6. Full and effective participation
- 7. Access to information
- 8. Compliance with national and international law





What the standards can be applied to

- 1. Processes for development of country-level REDD+ programs, strategies, policies and plans
- 2. Implementation of country-level REDD+ policies and plans
- 3. Social and environmental outcomes on the ground





How the standards can be used

- 1. Provide good practice guidance
- 2. Provide a framework for reporting on performance
- 3. Assess conformance with respect to requirements of the standards (a true standard)





• Managing multistakeholder processes, Developing indicators and monitoring plans

Development of guidelines for interpretation and use at country level

Complementarity with other safeguards mechanisms

UNFCCC REDD+ safeguards information systems, FCPF common approach, UN-REDD, Brazilian etc.



Country-led multi-stakeholder process for using REDD+ SES

1. Governance

A multi-stakeholder approach to ensure balanced stakeholder participation in the use of the standards

2. Interpretation

Adaptation of indicators and assessment process to the country context

3. Assessment

Collection of information to evaluate performance, review of draft assessment report by stakeholders and publication



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