

FOREST INVESTMENT PROGRAM
Summary – Preparation Grant Request for Investment Strategy

1. Country/Region:	DRC/AFR	2. CIF Project ID#:	
3. Funding Request (in USD):	<i>USD250,000</i>		
4. National Focal Point:	<i>Victor Kabengele, Ministry of Environment, Nature Conservation and Tourism</i>		
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7. **Objective:** The Government of DRC intends to utilize this grant to carry out analytical and technical analyses and stake-holder consultations in support of the preparation of the Investment Strategy, consistent with the strategic objectives of the Forest Investment Program.

Description of activities covered by the preparation grant:¹

All the following activities will be coordinated by the National REDD Coordination, to ensure alignment of FIP Investment Strategy preparation work with ongoing REDD Readiness process;

- Recruitment of technical assistance to review the national and sub-national programs related to REDD+ and consolidation of information from ongoing and past analytical work on drivers of deforestation and forest degradation, carbon sequestration potential of the forest sector and approaches to MRV;
- Technical assistance for project's financial management and to foster private sector engagement in the REDD+ activities to be financed through the FIP;
- On the job training of key government staff involved in REDD Readiness process in strategy design and private sector involvement;
- Workshop on private sector engagement on REDD+;
- Support for multi-stakeholder consultation activities at national and local level to establish coordination with bi-lateral and multi-lateral development partners for synergies with ongoing REDD+ activities;
- Organizing field missions and consultations with local communities, indigenous peoples and other marginalized groups such as women, on the preparation of the investment strategy and, to establish linkages with the Dedicated Grant Mechanism for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities

8. **Expected outcomes:**

- Overall, the expected outcome is a set of substantive inputs to the Government of DRC to develop a robust strategy of FIP investments. The expected long-term impact is enhanced carbon storage and sequestration benefits associated with sustainable livelihoods and other co-benefits.
- National and local consultation workshops are held with meaningful multi-stakeholder participation;
- The FIP is integrated into the overarching framework for REDD+ in DRC and synergies with other REDD+ activities are clearly established.

9. **Key Results:**

- Draft inputs to the FIP Forest Investment Strategy (FIS) prepared in time for submission of FIS to the FIP Sub-committee in June, 2011
- Enhanced national capacity to design the Programs and Projects to be financed by the FIP;
- Concrete entry-points for private sector engagement in REDD+ are identified and specific draft inputs provided to the FIP Forest Investment Strategy;
- Enhanced knowledge of and support to FIP-financed REDD+ activities.

10. **Budget (indicative) :**

Expenditures	Amount (000 USD) – estimates
Consultants	\$100
Workshops/seminars	\$ 87.5
Travel/transportation	\$ 50
Others (admin costs/operational cost)	\$ 12.5
Total Cost	\$ 250
Other contributions:	\$190

¹ For background information on the overall Forest Investment Program process in DRC, please refer to TOR for the Joint MDB Mission 21-28 Feb 2011, also posted on this website.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government 	\$40 – Through the Forest and Nature Conservation project , Environmental Services Component (IDA)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MDB 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private Sector 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Others (please specify) 	\$150 – From FCPF and UN-REDD, as part of the REDD Readiness process
<p>11. Timeframe (tentative) –milestones</p> <p>Submission for MDB FIP Committee Approval: January, 2011 First Joint Mission: February, 2011 Final Joint Mission: May, 2011 IS for FIP Sub-Committee Endorsement: June, 2011</p>	
<p>12. Other Partners involved in Investment Strategy²: FCPF, UN-REDD, the Congo Basin Forest Fund, Norway, USAID, local civil society groups, local universities.</p>	
<p>13. Brief Description of stakeholder consultation plan (civil society, indigenous people, local communities and marginalized groups, women, private sector, bilateral and multi-lateral development partners): The Consultations on the FIP Investment Strategy and Programs will be carried out as part of the consultations for the overall REDD Readiness process. As such, they will draw on the National Consultation, Information and Participation Plan, which was prepared as part of the Readiness Preparation Proposal (R-PP), validated by the FCPF Participants Committee and the Un-REDD Policy Board in March, 2010.</p>	

² Other local, national and international partners expected to be involved in design and implementation of IS