

May 20, 2011

Approval by mail: FIP Results Framework

Dear FIP Sub-Committee Members,

Please find attached the FIP Results Framework document for your review and approval.

You will recall that at its last meeting, the FIP Sub-Committee approved the following decision:

"The Sub-Committee reviewed document FIP/SC.5/4, *FIP Results Framework*, and approves the FIP logic model, recognizing that it will be revised and reviewed with a view to its adoption as part of the FIP results framework, at a meeting of the Sub-Committee to be held in March 2011, taking into account the following changes:

- a) integrate "co-benefit" results at the project/program and catalytic replication outcomes levels;
- b) check against four FIP objectives and investment criteria as stipulated in the *FIP Design Document*;
- c) clarify "forest related institutions" as a means or an end, and determine its place in the logic model accordingly.

The FIP Sub-Committee requests the CIF Administrative Unit, in consultation with the MDB Committee, to finalize the development of the FIP results framework through a consultative process with a view to its approval in March 2011.

The FIP Sub-Committee requested its Co-Chair to ask the SCF Trust Fund Committee to delegate final approval of the FIP results framework to the FIP Sub-Committee."

Following this decision, the SCF Trust Fund Committee agreed to delegate final approval of the FIP Results Framework to the FIP Sub-Committee. Also, due to the postponement of the CIF Partnership Forum, a FIP Sub-Committee meeting was not convened in March as was originally foreseen. Therefore, the Co-Chairs of the Sub-Committee agreed that the results framework should be circulated to members for approval by mail.

The FIP Results Framework is based on approved policy documents and consultations with Trust Fund Committee members, Sub-Committee members, observers and MDBs. The main purpose of the results framework is to establish a basis for monitoring and future evaluation of the impact, outcomes and outputs of FIP-funded activities. In addition, the document is designed to guide pilot countries and MDBs to ensure that FIP-relevant indicators and results monitoring are integrated in the monitoring and evaluation systems at the country or the project/program level.

The FIP Sub-Committee is invited to approve the following decision:

The FIP Sub-Committee reviewed and approves the document *FIP Results Framework*, dated May 13, 2011.

The Committee agrees that the framework is a living document that should serve as a basis for moving forward in developing FIP investment plans and FIP-funded projects and programs. It should be applied flexibly, pragmatically and taking into account country circumstances, building on national monitoring systems. The CIF Administrative Unit and the MDB Committee are requested to report back to the FIP Sub-Committee and SCF Trust Fund Committee once experience is gained in operationalizing the framework, including a better understanding of associated costs, with view to adapting the framework to reflect experiences gained through field testing.

If we do not receive an objection to the proposed decision by close of business on June 3, 2011, the decision will be approved.

Sincerely,

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