Forest Investment Program (FIP)

Terms of Reference for FIP Ghana Joint Mission

Accra, 3-7 September 2012

Background

The Climate Investment Funds (CIF) are a set of financing instruments designed to initiate transformational change towards low-carbon and climate-resilient development through scaled-up financing channeled through the Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs), including the African Development Bank. The two CIF funds are the Clean Technology Fund (CTF), financing scaled-up demonstration, deployment and transfer of low-carbon technologies for significant greenhouse gas (GHG) reductions within country investment plans; and the Strategic Climate Fund (SCF), financing targeted programs in developing countries to pilot new climate or sectoral approaches with scaling-up potential. The current programs financed under the SCF are the Pilot Program for Climate Resilience (PPCR), the Forest Investment Program (FIP) and Small-Scale Renewable Energy (SREP).

The FIP overall objective is to mobilize significantly increased funds to reduce deforestation and forest degradation and to promote sustainable forest management, leading to emission reductions and the protection of carbon reservoirs.

Ghana was selected as a FIP pilot country in March 2010. A scoping Mission was undertaken on September 29 - October 1, 2010 as an initial step in the process to prepare Ghana's FIP Investment Plan. The first Joint mission was undertaken on 30 May – 6 June 2011. The government has undertaken a variety of stakeholder consultations and has worked in partnership with Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs), bilateral development partners, the private sector and civil society organizations. Following the guidelines of the FIP Program, a draft FIP Ghana Investment Plan has been prepared and reviewed by external experts. An update on the status of the Investment Plan was presented to the FIP Sub-committee on 4 May 2012. Comments received from the Sub-committee and other stakeholders are being addressed in the finalization of the Investment Plan.

At the inception of the Investment Plan preparation process, the Government of Ghana constituted a Technical Coordination Committee with the mandate of developing the IP. A government-led Investment Plan Task Team was also constituted and its membership includes key ministries, MDBs, development partners and other stakeholders. A Joint Mission to assist the Government in the finalization of the Investment Plan is now planned from September 3 to 7, 2012.

Prior to and during the Joint Mission, the following activities are to be undertaken:

- (i) Government led retreat on 13-16 August 2012 to engage stakeholders in a review of the draft Investment Plan. The Government of Ghana lead institutions, the MDBs (AfDB and WBG), will provide assistance in reviewing and finalizing the draft document. The retreat will also provide guidance on any outstanding tasks to be addressed by a small team of the IP task team after the retreat.
- (ii) <u>Discussions of key issues on the draft Investment Plan will be held through Audio</u> conferences and in-country meetings between the Government and MDBs to: (a) allow more in-depth discussion and information sharing (b) address any gaps; (c) ensure consensus among stakeholder representatives. The activities will be led by the Government of Ghana and the MDBs will support the government as necessary.

(iii) The Investment Plan task team will seek additional feedback on the Investment Plan from participants in the NREG TA meeting and the workshop on Boosting Investments in Sustainable Forestry, Forest Carbon and Renewable Energy both of which will be taking place during the joint mission week.

Joint Mission Objective

The objective of the joint mission is to assist the Government of Ghana in reviewing and finalizing the Investment Plan, project concept notes and its costs for submission to the Sub-Committee in early October 2012 for endorsement at the next FIP Sub-Committee meeting, which will take place in November 2012. The joint mission will be led by the GoG and assisted by the MDBs. It will take place in Accra on 3-7 September 2012.

Scope of Work of the Joint Mission

The Joint Mission will:

- (a) Receive feedback from key stakeholders through consultations. The GoG will collect comments and considerations from representatives of local communities, indigenous peoples groups, non-government and civil society organizations, the private sector, bilateral and other potential partners to the draft investment plan.
- (b) Review and update the draft Investment Plan document in line with FIP objectives and investment criteria, including analysis on funding modalities, costs, institutional arrangement to manage FIP, and co-financing opportunities.

Joint Mission Outputs

- (a) An Aide Memoire summarizing the process, key findings and recommendations coming out of the Joint Mission, and next steps to complete the processes of finalizing the FIP Ghana Investment Plan including a schedule with milestones.
- (b) A revised draft version of the Investment Plan this will incorporate the outcomes of the consultations during the Joint Mission.

Joint Mission Composition

The joint mission will be composed of the following experts whose names, specialities and roles are as shown.

Specialities	Institution	Name	Expected contribution and outputs
	Government of Ghana:		
Overall Mission Leader	Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning	TBC	
Economic planner		Mr. Franklin Ashiadey	
	Forestry Sector/ Min of Lands and NR (MLNR)		
Forestry Specialist	MLNR	Mr. Oppong Sasu (FC)	
Forestry specialist	MLNR	Mr. Robert Bamfo (FC)	
	MLNR	Mr. Abu-Juam	
	MLNR	Mr. Tabi Agyarko	
Mining specialist	Minerals Commission	TBC	
	Ministry of Environment, Science and Technology (MEST):		
Environment	EPA MEST	Mr. D.S. Amlalo Mr. Kwesi Tabi Dr. Victor Agyemang	
	Consultant:		
REDD Issues/ Policies and Strategies		Mr. Corentin Mercier (TBC)	
	African Development Bank:		
Agriculture and Natural Resources Specialist		Tabi Karikari	
CIF Coordinator		Mafalda Duarte	
FIP Focal Point		Albert Mwangi	
	World Bank/IFC		
Natural Resources Management Specialist	WB	Flavio Chaves	
	IFC	Miriam Van Gool Damilola Sobo	Technical review and coordination of private sector participation
	Other Development Partners		

Financing REDD	Netherlands Embassy	TBC	
activities/Participatory			
Forest Management			
	DFID	TBC	
	Private Sector	TBC	
	CSO	TBC	

Broad stakeholder participation has been sought in the preparation of the Investment Plan and the joint mission is intended to reconfirm programme ownership and support by the government, national stakeholders and development partners.

List of stakeholders for broad-based consultation

The mission is expected to engage with representatives from the following stakeholders among others:

- (i) Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning
- (ii) Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources
- (iii) Ministry of Environment Science and Technology
- (iv) Ministry of Food and Agriculture
- (v) Ministry of Energy
- (vi) Lands Commission
- (vii) Environmental Protection Agency
- (viii) The Forestry Commission
- (ix) Minerals Commission
- (x) Non Governmental Organizations
- (xi) Forest Forum
- (xii) Civil Society
- (xiii) Local Communities
- (xiv) Private Sector
- (xv) Local Government
- (xvi) Development Partners

NREG TA - FIP MISSION SCHEDULE

September 3rd – September 7th 2012

Monday 3 rd of September						
Time	Activity	Location	Required			
08.00-08.45	Internal MDB meeting on FIP IP	TBC	WB, IFC, AfDB			
09.00-10.00	Opening session	MoFEP	TCC, WB Team			
	1. Introduction					
	2. Current state of affairs FIP & objective FIP IP Finalization					
	3. Current state of affairs & objective NREG TA					
	4. Mission planning					
10.00-11.00	Individual session: Ministry of Finance	MoFEP	MoFEP, WB Team			
11.00-12.00	Individual session: MEST & EPA	MEST/EPA	MoFEP, MEST, EPA, WB Team			
14.00-15.00	Individual session: MLNR & FC	MLNR	MoFEP, MLNR, FC, WB Team			
15.30-16.30	Individual session: MC	MC	MoFEP, MC, WB Team			
	Tuesday 4 th of September					
09.00-10.00	Presentation of MDB Projects	TBC	FIP Team. Albert Mwangi, Flavio			
	1. AfDB (09.00-09.15)		Chaves, Miriam v. Gool.			
	2. World Bank (09.15-09.30)					
	3. IFC (09.30-09.45)					
10.00-12.00	Breakout sessions	TBC	FIP Team, MDB s			
	Wednesday 5 th of September					
(EVENT: Boosting Investments in Sustainable Forestry, Forest Carbon and Renewable Energy & Palm Oil Africa, La Palm Royal Beach Hotel)						
08.00-09.00	Internal MDB meeting	TBC	AfDB, WB, IFC			
09.00-12.00	Consultation with CSOs & NGOs	TBC	FIP Team, MDBs			

12.00-13.00	Final feedback session and presentation of next steps to stakeholders	TBC	FIP Team, MDBs			
Thursday 6 th of September						
(EVENT: Boosting Investments in Sustainable Forestry, Forest Carbon and Renewable Energy & Palm Oil Africa, La Palm Royal Beach Hotel)						
TBC	Drafting of Aide Memoire	TBC				
Friday 7 th of September						
(EVENT: Boosting Investments in Sustainable Forestry, Forest Carbon and Renewable Energy)						
09.00-11.00	Wrap-up FIP & NREG TA.	MoFEP/WB	TCC, WB, AfDB, IFC			
	Aide Memoire & way forward.					

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