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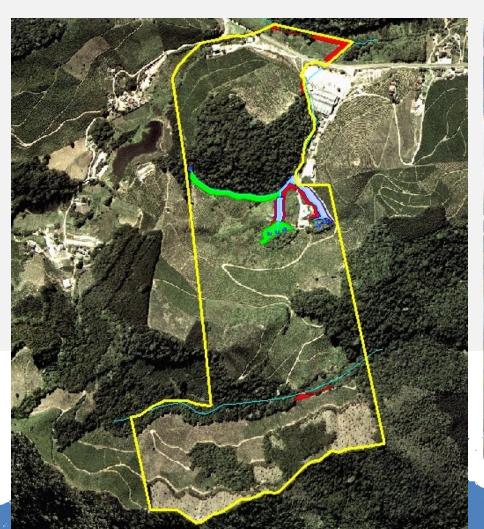
Selection of Policies & Measures (PAMs) - Intro

Warsaw framework for REDD+:

- Encourages Parties and others to take action to reduce the drivers of deforestation and forest degradation,
- Reaffirms the importance of addressing these pressures in the context of the development and implementation of REDD+ national strategies and action plans by REDD+ countries, depending on their national circumstances



Fiscal incentives and subsidies for agricultural commodities: compatibility with REDD+?





Definitions

World Trade Organization (WTO) defines a subsidy as 'any financial contribution by a government, or agent of a government, that confers a benefit on its recipients.'

Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) uses a broader definition and classifies subsidies into four main categories: (1) direct financial transfers; (2) services and indirect financial transfers; (3) regulations; and (4) lack of intervention.

Global Subsidies Initiative further refines the WTO definition to include the market price support enabled by consumption mandates to be a subsidy. Consumption mandates increase demand for biofuels, and are a primary means through which government-led demand-side measures influence land conversion activity for commodities.

Fiscal incentive typology

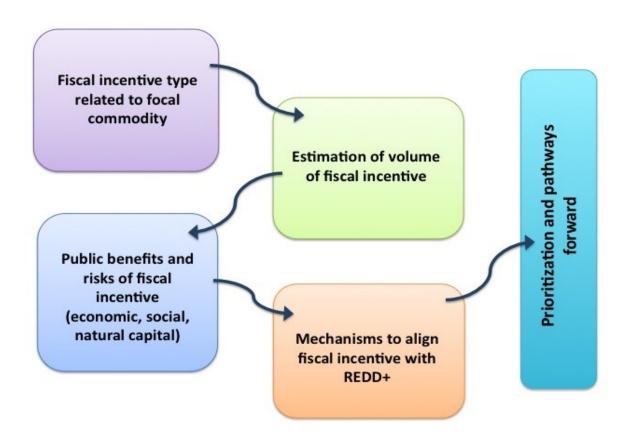
Туре	Example
Grants and other direct payments:	Subsidized land, fertilizer subsidies, inputs, rural development grants
Tax concessions:	Tax exemptions, credits or deferrals
In-kind subsidies:	Non-monetary but confer a benefit on the recipient: streamlined land access and permitting, corruption
Cross-subsidies:	price discrimination within the scope of one unit
Credit subsidies and government guarantees:	Loss compensation, concessionary interest rates
Hybrid subsidies:	Tax-free bonds, tax increment financing
Derivative subsidies:	Compensatory or countervailing support, subsidy clusters
Procurement:	Public procurement commitments seeking to support domestic producers
Market price support (in the producer country):	Fuel blending mandates, artificial price support

Framework for analyzing fiscal incentives

Ecuador and Indonesia

- Fiscal and policy incentives supporting agricultural development were usually not designed with REDD+ in mind
- Need to better social, economic and environmental impacts and benefits





Ecuador: Recommendations for complementary with REDD+ policies and measures

- Link fiscal incentives (subsidized credit, tax concessions, credit guarantees) to certification and standards
- Fund technological innovation for improved productivity of small and medium farmers (agricultural sector, especially in the oil palm sector)
- Create differentiated rural property tax exemption for conversion of crops to agroforestry
- Prioritize, allocate and guarantee finance to support objectives aligned with REDD + in the budget guidelines
- Establish a differentiated tariff in the Comunidad Andina de Naciones to import palm oil certified as sustainable
- Include an indicator related to REDD+ in the Territorial Equity Model, so that transfers from the central government increase if territorial projects are aligned with REDD+ objectives

Preliminary results of oil palm analysis in Indonesia

- High-level political commitment is essential for alignment between the 2015-2019 National Mid-Term Development Plan and REDD+.
- Review the intergovernmental fiscal transfer system. Could determine
 allocations based on productivity, not land area, or retaining the land area
 basis, but amending it to better reflect levels of ecosystem service
 provision.
- Bring coherence to management of forest land outside the forest estate (incl. HCV), but consider using spatial planning and regulatory tools rather than new fiscal incentives for plantation estates.
- Link smallholder access to fiscal incentives and government-facilitated land tenure clarification, concessional loans for certified producers.
- Limit access to credit subsidies and government guarantees through state banks, and tax concessions, on the basis of performance measures.

Reflections from Ecuador and Indonesia country analyses

- 1. Fiscal & policy incentives supporting agricultural development were designed to promote rural development, without consideration of social and environmental cost
- 2. Enabling environment is crucial for REDD+, supply chain sustainability, and zero net deforestation commitment
- 3. More analysis required on understanding perverse incentives
- 4. REDD+ implementation = sticks, carrots and enabling conditions
- 5. Consider revisions to or redesign of fiscal incentive structures in the context of relevant development plans
- 6. Consider the political economy: Packaged interventions can be effective and manage socio-economic impacts of change. Cross-sectoral and 'whole-of-government' approaches are useful
- 7. Governments can provide guard-rails to guide private sector investment that maintains economic, social and natural capital
- 8. Find "no-regret" options!

- Where can government have influence?
- Look at success stories (fisheries, etc.)
- What agencies need to be involved, when?
- Public benefits and risks?
- **Political economy**: Packaged interventions, or house within medium-term development plans, etc.
- Best practices to access incentives or rural credit
- No-regret options adaptation + mitigation, livelihood improvements, multiple benefits (e.g. tenure)



A source of inspiration: India's intergovernmental fiscal transfer system now includes a forest criterion

India's 14th Finance Commission recognized the perverse incentives that state and local governments had to undervalue and mismanage forests. Declining revenue from forests was a concern to some states, due to the implementation of the National Forest Policy.

Table 1: Criteria and Weights		
Criteria Weight	(%)	
Population	17.5	
Demographic Change	10.0	
Income Distance	50.0	
Area	15.0	
Forest Cover	7.5	

- The percentage weight allocated to forest cover is expected to deliver US\$6 billion a year to states.
- Amounts to US\$120 per hectare per year and is competitive with agriculture production earnings
- Is revenue neutral!

Identifying and Selecting PAMs in Indonesia



Background to the Process to Identify and Select PAMs in Indonesia

- 2010: Indonesia's REDD+ Readiness Plan was submitted
- Norway and Indonesia agree to US \$1 billion bi-lateral commitment to support Indonesia's REDD+ readiness activities and for results-based REDD+ payments
- Indonesia participates in UN-REDD Programme and Forest Carbon Partnership Facility for institutional capacity support
- BP REDD+ Agency (Badan Pengelola REDD+) established by Presidential Regulation 62/2013 in late 2013
- Indonesia REDD+ Investment Fund (FREDDI) financial mechanism framed as an agency for REDD+ MRV and to channel investment
- 2015: BP REDD+'s role now part of the reorganized Ministry of Environment and Forests

Legal and regulatory frameworks within REDD+ National Strategy

The REDD+ National Strategy RED Institutions and Legal and Regulatory Frameworks **Processes** Strategic Programs Increased carbon stocks Conservation & Paradigm and Work Culture Change maintenance of biodiversity Economic growth Multi Stakeholders Approach

Legal and regulatory frameworks:

- Review land rights and accelerate spatial planning
- Improve law enforcement and prevent corruption
- Enforce 2 year moratorium
- Improve data and permit issuance – forests and peatlands
- Incentives for private sector

- Dec 23, 2010 One Map Policy Launched
- Dec 23, 2010 Central Kalimantan as REDD+ Pilot Project
- May 25, 2011 New License Moratorium, 2 years, last extended May 25, 2015
- Sep 15, 2011 Pres Reg on GHG APN 672m tCO2e in 2020
- Jan 18, 2012 Naional Strategy Launched
- Dec 2012 Anti Corruption Committee website:
 Indonesia Forest Monitor launched

Collective PAM

Dec 20, 2012 – Joint Policy (AG, Police, Finance, Forestry,

Environment, Financial Transaction Monitoring

Agency) on Natural Resource Crime – Multi Door

Approach



- Jan 30, 2013 National Standard for REDD+ Demonstration
 Activity
- Mar 11, 2013 Acceleration of Forest Gazettement Program
 Joint Agreement of 12 Min/HR Commission
- Aug 31, 2013 Establishment of REDD+ Agency
- Jan 15, 2014 Law on Village Government
- Forestry Ministry Ministerial Decree No. 633/2014
 - Sets Indonesia's forest reference emissions level at 0.816 gigatons per year, based on average emission levels between 2000-2006

- Aug 27, 2014 Claim and Verification Mechanism MoF
 Regulation
- Sep 1, 2014 VP Launched National Program for Acceleration of Acknowledgment and Protection of IP Land Right Regulation

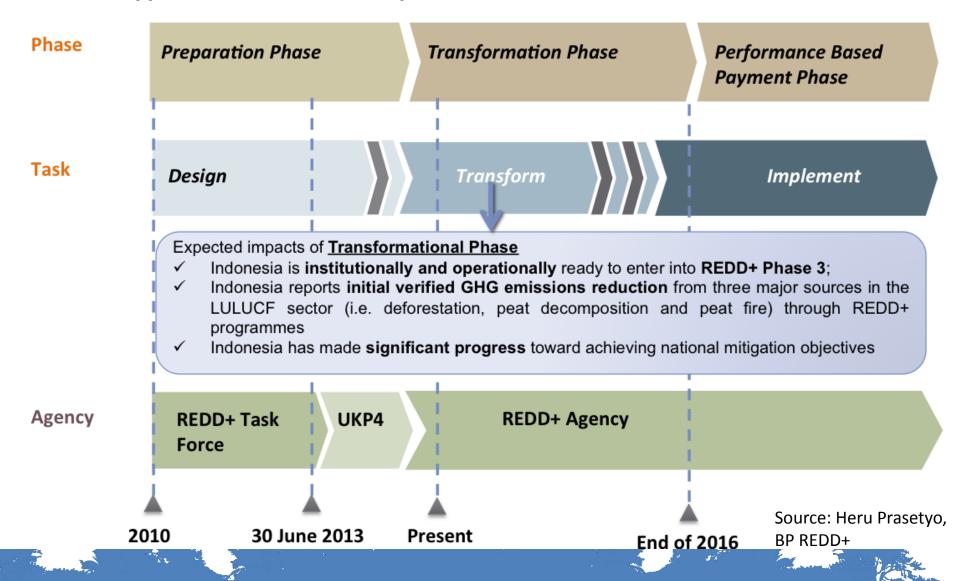


- Sep 15, 2014 One Licensing Information Database launched
- Oct 23, 2014 New President Inaugurated
- Dec 22, 2014 AMAN submitted Indigenous People's Participatory Map to REDD+ Agency



Selected PAMs in Indonesia

Phased Approach on REDD+ Full Implementation







Thank You!

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