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Dear Mr. Mario Boccucci

Request for UN-REDD Global Programme Support to Kenya's REDD+ Readiness Activities

Following the approval of its Readiness Preparation Proposal (R-PP) in 2010 by the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF), Kenya engaged in the implementation of REDD+ readiness activities. Kenya is also a UN-REDD partner country and has received targeted support from the three UN-REDD Programme implementing agencies during 2012 and 2013 in support of its readiness activities. This first round of targeted support (TS1) included analytical work on legal preparedness for REDD+ supported by the FAO; analysis of the governance dimensions of REDD+ in Kenya pertaining to corruption risks, carbon rights and benefit-sharing supported by UNDP; and a High Level Event on Forests, Water Towers and the Green

Economy supported by UNEP. Kenya is currently heading towards the final stages of its readiness phase.

In order to build on previous UN-REDD work and support the successful conclusion of REDD+ readiness activities in the country, I am writing in my capacity as Kenya's National REDD+ Focal Point to request additional funding under the UN-REDD Global Programme's *Targeted Support* modality. This second targeted support request includes all three UN-REDD Programme agencies and aims to achieve the following outcomes:

1. *Outcome 1: REDD+ countries have systems and capacities to develop and implement MRV and monitoring*-Technical support to MRV activities in Kenya
- Support to enhance coordination and compliance of MRV activities with international standards
2. *Outcome 2: Credible, inclusive national governance systems are developed for REDD+ implementation* - Legal preparedness support activities in Kenya: Integrating REDD+ provisions in key legislations under development and review
3. *Outcome 5: Safeguards are addressed and respected and multiple benefits of REDD+ are realized* - Mapping to support land-use planning for REDD+ in Kenya - taking account of safeguards and multiple benefits
4. *Outcome 6: Green economy transformation and REDD+ strategies and investments are mutually reinforcing* - Study on REDD+ related opportunities in improving efficiency in forestry operations and forest product processing in Kenya

The overall objectives of this request are fourfold

- i. Assist REDD+ planning in Kenya through the development of targeted maps that explore different implementation possibilities for REDD+ while building technical capacity on spatial data analysis and mapping for land-use planning through the use of open-source GIS software;

- ii. promote increased knowledge of the feasibility and socioeconomic and environmental implications of increased efficiency in forestry operations as it relates to REDD+ in Kenya;
- iii. Support REDD+ institutions, more specifically the REDD+ Coordination Office and Focal Point to monitor and engage in ongoing policy development processes and seize the opportunity to secure REDD+ agenda in the formulation and review process of different laws and policies; and
- iv. enhance coordination, planning and budgeting of MRV activities, assess and improve the accuracy of existing land cover maps and provide technical inputs on various MRV aspects, notably on the development of the NFI methodology and manual and support information analysis and training on emission factors (EF) and allometric equations.

A budget overview is presented in the table below. Specific concept notes and terms of reference with planned activities and detailed budget lines are annexed to this letter.

UN-REDD Programme	Global Outcomes	Budget requested UN-REDD (US\$)	to Co-financing (if appropriate, US\$)	Supporting Agency	UN
<i>Outcome 1: REDD+ countries have systems and capacities to develop and implement MRV and monitoring</i>					
1. Technical support to MRV activities in Kenya		270,000		FAO	
<i>Outcome 2: Credible, inclusive national governance systems are developed for REDD+ implementation</i>					
2. Legal preparedness support activities in Kenya		75,000		FAO	
<i>Outcome 5: Safeguards are addressed and respected and multiple benefits of REDD+ are realized</i>					

3. Mapping to 130,000 support land-use planning for REDD+ in Kenya - taking account of safeguards and multiple benefits			UNEP WCMC
<i>Outcome 6: Green economy transformation and REDD+ strategies and investments are mutually reinforcing</i>			
4. Study on 66,585 REDD+ related opportunities in improving efficiency in forestry operations and forest product processing in Kenya	33,415	(carried over from UNEP UN-REDD TS1 to Kenya)	UNEP
<i>Agency financial split and total budget</i>			
Total request to 196,585			UNEP
Total TS request			

This request seeks to support and complement Kenya's REDD+ R-PP implementation under the FCPF and is fully aligned with UN-REDD Programme's Global Programme - Support to National Action objectives.

Yours sincerely,

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