
UN-REDD Programme Newsletter

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Dear Reader,

Welcome to the first issue of the UN-REDD Programme Newsletter.

This monthly newsletter aims to keep REDD international and national stakeholders in the loop on the enormous volume of news and information emerging on REDD and on the UN-REDD Programme. In the months leading to Copenhagen and beyond, it is designed to be a resource containing some of the most relevant news, updates, research findings, opinion pieces and progress on the fast-moving issue of REDD and the activities of the UN-REDD Programme.

We hope that you enjoy this issue and welcome your comments and suggestions.

Sincerely,



Yemi Katerere
Head of the UN-REDD Programme Secretariat



News

World leaders in L'Aquila, Italy reaffirm the importance of forests in fighting climate change

Group of Eight leaders meeting in L'Aquila, Italy, last month reaffirmed the need to protect the world's forests in addressing climate change and pledged to cooperate around innovative initiatives like the UN Collaborative Programme on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and forest Degradation (UN-REDD Programme). [More...](#)

What's new in UN-REDD Programme support to country action

The UN-REDD Programme empowers nine countries to manage their REDD processes and get "ready for REDD" in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, and Latin America and the Caribbean. The new UN-REDD Programme website displays one page for each country and provides up-to-date information and documents related to the development of their national programmes. [More...](#)

Latest in REDD Talks in Bonn

The UNFCCC Parties met in Bonn last week (10-14 August) and made progress in clarifying issues on REDD that will need to be negotiated if there is to be agreement on REDD in Copenhagen. Following the UNFCCC talks, the Coalition for Rainforest Nations (CfRN), co-sponsored by the UN-REDD Programme, FCPF, GTZ and GEF, held a successful workshop on REDD Readiness at the end of the week. [More ...](#)

Features & Commentary

Call for Nominations : Civil Society Organizations selection process to serve on the Policy Board

Civil Society Organizations are invited to submit nominations for representatives to serve on the UN-REDD Programme Policy Board. The call for nominations opens today and will close on 11 September 2009. Voting for CSO nominees will take place from 14 - 28 September 2009. [More information and to access nomination and voting instructions...](#)

The UN-REDD Programme and the World Bank's FCPF : Working Together

The two main multilateral readiness platforms for REDD, the UN-REDD Programme and the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility, housed at the World Bank, are well aware of the challenges REDD countries face in successfully preparing for and implementing REDD. The two initiatives are actively coordinating their efforts, working together both at the international and at the national level. [More...](#)

Monitoring for REDD

The UN-REDD Programme is supporting the study carried out by the Global Forest Resource Assessment Programme on Measuring Forest Degradation and will be participating in the Technical Meeting on "Assessment and Monitoring of Forest degradation" hosted by FAO. [More...](#)

Reports & Analysis

Multiple Benefits – Issues and Options for REDD

The UN-REDD Programme is stepping up its work on the multiple benefits from REDD. Over the next 12 months it will be working with UN-REDD Programme "Quick Start" countries to promote understanding of the potential for multiple benefits and to provide tools and guidance to assist decision-making that will deliver those benefits in the implementation of REDD. [More...](#)

Looking Ahead

17-18 August, New Delhi, India

RRI/TERI Conference on Community Rights, Forests & Climate Change

8-10 September, Rome, Italy

Forest Degradation

11 September, Rome, Italy

Measuring, Reporting and Verification Meeting

23rd September New York, USA

GA High Level Event on REDD

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