



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN THE PREPARATION OF THE GABONESE NATIONAL CLIMATE PLAN

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Detailed description of the project	Services provided
<p>In line with commitments made by Gabon during the 15th Conference of Parties to the UNFCCC (COP 15) in Copenhagen in 2009, the National Climate Council was created in April 2010, with the mission of identifying key strategic directions of Gabonese policies on climate change and prepare for the future National Climate Plan.</p> <p>The French Development Agency (AFD) funded technical assistance for the preparation of this climate plan, the first phase of which aimed at carrying out an initial diagnosis and the development of an action plan for the elaboration of the National Climate Plan.</p> <p>For this purpose, the technical assistance included the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical support to the National Climate Council both from France and in Gabon, • Voluntary review of the national emissions inventory of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and of the Second National Communication on Climate Change (subcontracted to CITEPA), • Analysis of policies regarding the forest sector, the energy sector, oil and mining sectors (all subcontracted to Carbone 4, except for the forest sector), • Analysis of the Environmental Code project, • Study on the modeling of GHG emissions in the energy and mining / hydrocarbons sectors (subcontracted to Stratégie Développement Durable - SDD) and the Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use (AFOLU) sector. • Pre-assessment of the impact of sectoral policies in terms of GHG emissions and assessment of mitigation costs, • Summary of the studies and development of a draft National Climate Plan. 	<p>The experts provided support in the carrying out of sectoral studies on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forest sector policies, • Current emissions of GHG in the AFOLU sector, • Modeling of GHG emissions in the AFOLU sector, • Pre-assessment of the impacts of sectoral policies on GHG emissions in the AFOLU sector. <p>They also ensured the overall coordination of this major project and performed the proofreading and ensured quality control of all other sectoral reports.</p> <p>This work led to the development of a first version of the National Climate Plan in which ambitious measures were undertaken, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiation of work to develop a National Plan for Reducing Gas Flaring, for its valorisation (injection, nitrogen fertilizer, compression and sale of domestic gas), • Strengthening of the consideration of climate change impacts in the environmental impact assessments, • Establishment of a Land Use Plan aimed at reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation, • Strengthening the share of clean energy in the energy mix in Gabon, including the development of hydropower. <p>The outlines of the National Climate Plan were presented by the President of the Republic of Gabon during the COP 17 in Durban, late 2011.</p>