



CONSOLIDATE AND FINALIZE BURKINA FASO'S READINESS PREPARATION PROPOSAL

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Detailed description of the project	Services provided
<p>Burkina Faso has first been involved in REDD+ through a training workshop organized in 2010 to strengthen the national stakeholders' (be representatives of the Ministry of Environment, NGOs or private sector) capacities.</p> <p>During the same year, Burkina Faso became an observer member of the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF), an initiative to help countries in their REDD+ preparation. The Burkina Faso has presented its FCPF Readiness Plan for REDD (R-PP) in April 2012 and in June 2012. On these occasions, the R-PP has not been officially approved by the FCPF Committee of Participants and several comments and recommendations for improvements were made.</p> <p>In parallel, in 2011, Burkina Faso was chosen as a pilot country for the Forest Investment Program (FIP) and has prepared a FIP investment plan with the support of the World Bank and the African Development Bank (AfDB). This approach is unusual because the FIP is intended to mobilize additional resources for the implementation of REDD+ strategies set during the elaboration of the R-PP. At the moment, the Burkina Faso had been chosen while the R-PP had not been approved.</p> <p>The approval of the R-PP by the FCPF is a prerequisite for accessing FIP funds; hence the purpose of the intervention of Salvaterra was to integrate the R-PP comments made by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the Committee of Participants (CP) of the Facility, so that the R-PP may be approved.</p>	<p>The CP and the TAC have issued 90 comments on 6 R-PP components. Moreover, the R-PP model had evolved from version 5 to version 6 since the previous submission, including integrating new considerations on "gender" aspects.</p> <p>Further consultations were conducted in Ouagadougou with government departments, research centers and universities. Several aspects have been improved, such as the design of the organizational system, the consultation plan, the description of land issues, the design of the complaints and redress mechanism, the design of the monitoring system of carbon stocks and socio-environmental indicators, etc.</p> <p>New Data were collected to conduct analyzes that were missing in the previous versions of the R-PP, such as the history of land-use changes (land-use change matrix based on the national land observation database) or even the basis for developing a baseline scenario.</p> <p>Burkina Faso has submitted the revised R-PP to the FCPF in November 2013. The TAC and the CP agreed that standards were met and the R-PP was formally approved.</p> <p>This approval allowed Burkina Faso to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) receive financial support from the Facility for the implementation of the R-PP, for less than \$US 3.8 M. (ii) validate the FIP investment plan and financing of two projects for a total amount of \$US 28 M. (iii) integrate the Committee of Participants of the FCPF.