





disasters and impact of climate change. The Program (PACEBCo) arrived to its first phase in December 2018. ECCAS is in touch with African Development Bank for funding the five years second phase.

Legislative and policy actions

1. List of actions:
 - (i) Adoption of African Union Declaration on afforestation and restoration of degraded forest land of one hundred million hectares in Africa to 2030. (AFR-one in English or AFR-100 en French);
 - (ii) Adoption of the REDD+ as common position to be integrated in the new Climate Change Agreement since Copenag CoP on Climate Change Convention. The regional REDD project has been capitalized for reinforcing institutional capacities of the congo basin countries in REDD+ issues and elaborated of measuring forest carbon storage;
 - (iii) Adoption of sustainable forest management and conservation of congo basin ecosystems as common position to submit to partners for funding. PACEBCo (Programme d'Appui à la Conservation des Ecosystèmes du Bassin du Congo) has been financed by African Development Bank and ECCAS in response to this request.
2. Description of actions:
 - (i) AFR-one (or AFR-100 in French) has been created in 2016 with the rationale to restore one hundred million hectares of forest land degraded in Africa. It is an initiative for helping African countries to realize the implementing of their national engagements taken in the frame of Bonn Challenge. My entity (ECCAS) has sensitized his member countries to involve in AFR implementing so that each of them, except Gabon and Equatorial Guinea, has defined the area to restore.
 - (ii) Regional project on REDD+: institutional capacities of the six Congo Basin countries (Cameroon, Centrafrica, Congo, DRC, Gabon, and Equatorial Guinea) in the area of REDD+ had been reinforced and allometric equations for measuring carbon stocks of Congo Basin forest had been developed.
 - (iii) Program of Congo Basin Ecosystems' Conservation (PACEBCo) technical and institutional capacities of all subregional institution involved in forest resources conservation had been reinforced; 1000 (seven thousand) hectares had been reforested; infrastructures of forest resources conservation and those of local development had been build; activities related to the improvement of local people conditions and their adaptive capacity to climate change had been developed.



- (ii) Negotiation with accredited organisms (World Bank, UNDP, ...) capturing GEF or Green fund for climate in order to fund the second phase of REDD+ regional project.
- (iii) Negotiation with Partners of AFR100 Initiative through African Union Development Agency (AU-DEPAD) for mobilizing funds in order to assist Member States in the implementation of forest degraded landscapes restoration.

(c) How do the actions listed above support Member States in the implementation of the United Nations forest instrument?

The above listed actions support member countries in the implementation of UN forest instrument, especially the UN strategic Plan for Forests 2017-2030 as long as these actions contribute to reverse the loss of the regional forest cover.

(d) What are the main challenges in supporting Member States in achieving regional goal?

The main challenges in reversing the loss of forest cover is to ensure the sustainability of forest functions and values such as ecological, protection and productive functions. In other terms, reversing the loss of forest cover through forest protection, restoration and afforestation contribute to addressing climate change while conserving environmental advantages and generating forest products useful for economic development of Member states.



- (ii) Putting on foot the Unity of the Program Management for the implementation of the regional Program PACEBCo;
- (iii) Recruitment of an a consortium of expert cabinets for the elaboration of the strategic plan sustainable development of wood industry in Congo Basin countries and its submission to the validation by the Member countries' delegates;
- (iv) Recruitment of a consultant for the elaboration of the regional project on promotion of wood forest products

2. Description of actions:

- (i) Regarding AFR-one: all the member countries, except Gabon and Equatorial Guinea, have determined the area to put in afforest. About 60 million hectares are planned to be reforested in Central Africa.
- (ii) Regarding the regional Program PACEBCo: a Regional Coordinator and 9 thematic experts were recruited for the implementation of the Program.
- (iii) Regarding the strategic plan for the sustainable development of wood industry in Congo Basin countries: a consortium of four expert cabinets (CIRAD, FRM, .),,sustained by national experts of Ministries in charge of forest of the 6 congo basin countries, had been recruited and produced the report on the status of forestry situation in each country, including the strategic plan for developing the wood producing sector in Central Africa.
- (iv) Regarding the regional project on promotion of nonwood forest products a consultant, under FAO's Central African Regional Office coordination had been for the elaboration the said project. This one had been focused on the identification of main wood forest products to promote for being integrate in human people feeding system.

⁴ Goal 2 and its targets support and contribute to the achievement of, among other things, targets 1.1, 1.4, 2.4, 4.3, 5.a, 6.6 9.3, 12.2, 12.5, 15.6 and 15.c of the Sustainable Development Goals, as well as Aichi Biodiversity Targets 4, 14 and 18, and are supported by paragraphs 6 (d), (h), (j), (p), (q), (t)-(v) and (y) and 7 (k) of the United Nations forest instrument.



(b) What other action is being taken by your entity in support Member States to achieve goal 2?



addressing climate change to the generation of forest products useful for economic development of Member states.

(e) Any additional comments on goal 3:

None

Global forest goal 4 and associated targets

Mobilize significantly increased, new and additional financial resources from all sources for the implementation of sustainable forest management and strengthen scientific and technical cooperation and partnerships

Associated targets

- 4.1 Mobilize significant resources from all sources and at all levels to finance sustainable forest management and provide adequate incentives to developing countries to advance such management, including for conservation and reforestation
- 4.2 Forest-related financing from all sources at all levels, including public (national, bilateral, multilateral and triangular), private and philanthropic financing, is significantly increased
- 4.3 North-South, South-South, North-North and triangular cooperation and public-private partnerships on science, technology and innovation in the forest sector are significantly enhanced and increased
- 4.4 The number of countries that have developed and implemented forest financing strategies and have access to financing from all sources is significantly increased
- 4.5 The collection, availability and accessibility of forest-related information is improved through, for example, multidisciplinary scientific assessments

Questions on goal 4

6. (a) Please describe major actions taken in your region to move towards goal 4 and its associated targets. More detailed information on actions for each target may be supplied below.

Mobilization of financial resources for the implementation of:

1. Program of Supporting of the Congo Basin Ecosystems Conservation (PACEBCo): 28 million account unities from African Development Bank (ADB) : targets 4.1 and 4.2
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Yes.

1. Program of Supporting of the Congo Basin Ecosystems Conservation (PACEBCo): 28 million account unities from African Development Bank (ADB)
2. Program of Conservation of the Central African fragile ecosystems (ECOFAC): 6 million Euros from European Union
3. Regional Project on Reduction of Gas Emission due to Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+):13 million USD from Global Environment Fund (GEF).isti9



Progress towards target 4.3

(c) Please specify the actors/stakeholders with which your entity is cooperating:

Governments **Yes**

Intergovernmental organizations/processes

Private sector

Non-governmental organizations

Other (please specify):

Types of cooperation:

North-South **Yes**

South-South

North-North

Triangular

Technical **Yes**

Financial **Yes**

Other (please specify) **Multi-lateral**

Areas of cooperation:

Forests and climate change **Yes**

Forest biodiversity **Yes**

Valuation of the ecosystem services provided by forests

Socioeconomic issues, including livelihoods

Forest degradation and rehabilitation **Yes**

Scientific cooperation

Forest monitoring/data collection

Technology transfer and capacity development

Production of timber or non-timber products **Yes**

Other (please specify):



Progress towards target 4.4

(d) Since 2015, has your entity supported Member States in developing or implementing financing strategies to achieve sustainable forest management and to implement the United Nations forest instrument?

Yes

No

Comments if needed:

Member States had been invited in matter of the elaboration of projects related to Green Fund for Climate; and more than two of them (Republic of the Congo, n R10.3 (o.1 (C)10.3 (o)n)12 (o,-)3(G)1.1 (a)-.3 (t



4. Adoption of regional and national system of chain of custody for trade of logs and processed wood products (5.2, 5.4);,
5. Adoption of regional and national approaching plans (5.2).

⁷ Goal 5



strategic plan and in the work of the Forum, including international work, is strengthened



To review and develop national forest policies and tools ~~for~~ sustainable forest management ~~Yes~~

To communicate with society and carry out dialogue with stakeholders

To report on forests to regional and international organizations (please specify):

Progress towards target 6.4 (communication and awareness)

(d) Since 2015, have actions been taken by your entity to communicate and promote a greater understanding and awareness of sustainable forest management?

Yes

No

If yes, please specify in a maximum of 250 words:



Every two years, it published an edition of document called "status of Central African Forests" where are presented many issues related to SFM in the region, including many definitions. Moreover.



Please provide two to three examples and, if possible, a weblink or weblinks to relevant documentation:

Not available (radio communication)



Success stories

10. Does your entity have any success stories relating to the implementation of the United Nations strategic plan for forests 2017-2030? If so, please provide a brief description, with references (such as weblinks, publications and articles), showing how the action contributed to achieving the goals and targets and specifying which goals and targets are relevant. Please provide a maximum of three success stories.

<p>Success story 1</p> <p>Action taken:</p> <p>Goals and targets addressed:</p> <p>Outcome and results achieved:</p>
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