

Environmental & Social Safeguard Roadmap:
a contribution to the NRAP

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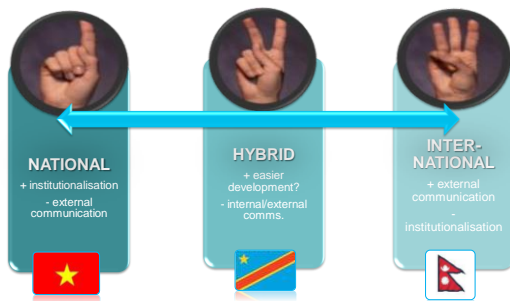
National safeguards response in Vietnam

Three-step process:



- 1. Comparative analysis** - Cancun, SESA, SEPC, SES
 - Institutional processes; purposes; content; applications
- 2. Options assessment** - guiding national safeguards
 - multiple sets of safeguards addressed in a single process
- 3. Roadmap development** - phased national safeguards
 - gap/weakness analysis of existing '5Ps'
 - against: i) Cancun ii) SESA, SEPC; iii) others, e.g. SES

Options for developing national approaches



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International policy incentives

- UNFCCC (Durban to Bonn):
 - slow progress → persistent uncertainties under UNFCCC
 - weak signal to developing countries to invest in safeguards
- Demand side (Bonn to Bangkok):
 - concerted move towards results-based action (CF; UN-REDD)
 - readiness investors demanding non-carbon performance
- Supply side (post-Bangkok...?):
 - perceived high costs and technical challenges of carbon MRV
 - incentive structures rewarding non-carbon elements...?

→ levels of environmental and social performance beyond Cancun commitments...?

Safeguard roadmap: objective

- Phased safeguards approach for NRAP:
 - What Vietnam has in place already; and
 - What would Vietnam need to put in place to meet...

1. Cancun safeguards (and other int'l agreements)

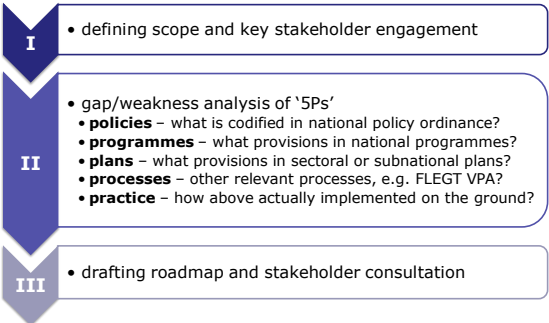
2. Emerging near-future funding options

- FCPF Carbon Fund
- proposed UN-REDD Vietnam interim national fund

3. Other major multilateral safeguard frameworks

- such as the REDD+ SES

Safeguard roadmap – how to do?



Phase I – Q4 2012?

- Establishing **Expert Group** - technical specialist stakeholders from the STWG-SG
- Providing technical **leadership to the Expert Group** as a consultative team contributing wider perspectives
- Exploring other national safeguard policy response processes and **experiences from other countries**
- Consulting with **key stakeholders** at the national level, including VNFOREST, World Bank, UN-REDD
- Engaging broader **stakeholder consultation** and support through STWG-SG and TWG-EIA/SEA
- Exploring the possibility of an **expanded scope** to cover safeguard requirements for the broader forestry sector

Phase II – Q1 2013 (up to Tet)?

- Collaborating with **other processes** (FCPF SESA and ER-PIN, UN-REDD Phase II etc.)
- Conducting analysis of potential environmental and social **benefits and risks** posed by REDD+ implementation
- **Prioritising** environmental and social benefits and risks (potential positive and negative impacts)
- Collating **evidence of relevant 5Ps** in forestry sector, sectors implicated in driving deforestation/degradation
- Conducting a **gap/weakness analysis** to identify and map existing 5Ps currently demonstrating safeguard compliance

Phase III – Q2-2013

- Producing a concise draft **roadmap** of recommended policy-to-practice actions
- Defining **recommended policies and measures**, over a phased timeframe corresponding to the 5P analysis
- Paying particular attention to key elements and steps in a processes to develop a '**safeguard information system**'
- Paying particular attention to key elements and approaches to operationalizing safeguard policies at **subnational level**
- **Socialising and validating** draft inputs and outputs with the STWG-SG and TWG-EIA/SEA

Thank you

- EFI (EU REDD Facility)
- FCPF (World Bank)
- LEAF (Climate Focus)
- UNEP-WCMC (CC & Biodiv.)

- STWG-SG...

