

# FGLG-Malawi

Work plan 2013



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**Summary**

The FGLG is an informal alliance of in-country groups and international partners currently active in seven African and three Asian countries. It tries to connect those marginalized from forest governance to those controlling it, and to help both do things better. It carries out focused studies, develop tactics and tools, hold learning events, and work as a group to effect change

During the financial year 2013 the FGLG Malawi team will prioritise a number of activities within the 2009-2013 work-plan. These will focus on four particular areas which are outlined in more detail below:

<b>Output 1: Forest rights and small forest enterprise - policy reforms, investment decisions and institutional arrangements in favour of secure forest rights and small forest enterprise.</b>				
Main activity	Specific activity	When	Who	Budget
Activity 1.1 Take opportunities to legalise the clan management systems to empower community forest management	No specific activity for 1.1 during the period	-	-	-

<p>Activity 1.3 Monitor the evolving situation with community forest management and enterprises, link this up to international support platforms such as Forest Connect (through the establishment of a national steering committee on enterprises issues), improve information flows, accountability tools and guidance at both national and international levels - and the preparedness to use and integrate them – amongst FGLG members and other institutions with stewardship roles for forest resources</p>	<p>No specific activity for 1.3. during the period (but see also 2.4.2 and 4.3.1)</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>-</p>	
<p><b>Output 2: Legitimate forest products - strategies to improve legality of forest products, institutionalise citizen engagement and contribute to broader forest governance improvement.</b></p>				
<p>Main activity</p>	<p>Specific activity</p>	<p>When</p>	<p>Who</p>	<p>Budget</p>
<p>Activity 2.1 Strengthen multi-stakeholder engagement, transparency and accountability – including advocacy allies at high level - to commit government towards an option for sustainable charcoal production, developing implementation plans, and making it work in the field.</p>	<p>2.1.1. Present 'Charcoal Options' to policy makers</p>	<p>May</p>	<p>FGLG</p>	<p>MK1,000,000</p>
	<p>2.1.2. Engage Members of Parliament including the Parliamentary Committee on Agriculture and Natural</p>	<p>April</p>	<p>FGLG</p>	<p>MK2,500,000</p>

	Resources as well as the soliciting of IFMSLP Impact Area Ministers of Parliament to intervene in their constituencies			
	2.1.3 Arrange meetings with MPs in programme districts	May	FGLG	MK5,000,000
Activity 2.2 Facilitate the spread of legal licensing of charcoal by supporting, monitoring and documenting piloting of options in the country.	2.2.1 Provide an input into the National Forestry Policy Review process by ensuring that issues such as charcoal, among others, are properly integrated in the revised policy	March	FGLG	MK400,000
Activity 2.3 Build government, citizen and civil society attempts for improved decision making in the forest sector.	2.3.1 Prepare for the NFP Forest Forum	March - July	FGLG Working Group	MK800,000
	2.3.2. Convene NFP Forest Forum to 'talk' on forest issues affecting the forest sector	August	FGLG	MK3,500,000
Activity 2.4 Continue to improve the information on forest resources in the public domain and catalyse follow up initiatives	2.4.1. Carry out a stocktaking of various recommendations from previous studies  2.4.2. Develop a communication strategy and prepare an advocacy working	March to April	FGLG	MK600,000

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<b>Output 3: Pro-poor climate change mitigation and adaptation through forestry. Initiatives to combat climate change through action in the forest sector contribute to pro-poor forest governance and sustainability</b>				
Main activity	Specific activity	When	Who	Budget
Activity 3.1 Promote consideration of both REDD and adaptation forestry strategies – and the equity and sustainability balances they will require - amongst civil society, private sector and government agencies	3.1.1. Participate in REDD+ Readiness processes	March to July	FGLG	MK300,000
Activity 3.2 Help ensure REDD strategies focus on areas where local property rights and institutional capability can be effectively combined with good forestry practice – and with manageable risks and transaction costs	See 2.3.1			
Activity 3.3 Contribute to the development of new institutional capacity for managing REDD and adaptation forestry by establishing a link to the National Adaptation Programme of Action (NAPA) and identifying the niche which the forest sector can fill in adaptation and mitigation strategies.	See 2.3.1.			
Activity 3.4 Support better national decision-making about biofuel development strategies in the context of developments in securing rights, legality development and climate mitigation forestry – by distilling the findings of separately funded IIED-Malawi work on biofuels into a briefing paper for forest sector discussions.	No specific activity for main activity 3.4. during this period	-	-	

<p>Activity 3.5 Support collaboration aimed at improving understanding of the clean development mechanism, REDD and adaptation payment schemes - finding synergy between adaptation and mitigation forestry - and ultimately translating this knowledge into programmes that improve resilience of farm-forest production systems.</p>	<p>See activity 3.2.1.</p>	<p>March to July</p>	<p>FGLG</p>	
<p><b>Output 4: Trans-national learning and preparedness. Understanding improved in international networks and processes about effective action for improved social justice in forestry.</b></p>				
<p>Activity 4.1 Conduct national learning events and take part in international learning events and country exchanges and promote online forums, social networks, policy portals and wiki-technology to benefit from wider trans-national network</p>	<p>4.1.1. Organise 1 NFP Forest Forum (see also 2.3.1.)</p> <p>4.1.2. Participate in international leaning event</p>	<p>August</p> <p>March</p>	<p>FGLG</p> <p>FGLG</p>	<p>IIED</p>
<p>Activity 4.3 Develop a sustained engagement of the Forest Management Board (including the newly developed Forest Management and Development fund) and revive the annual National Forestry Governance Forum with high level advocacy allies that are linked to FGLG and can make use of new tools, policy briefs, news and advocacy materials online and in hard copy aimed at influencing debates and policy developments in favour of social justice in forestry</p>	<p>4.3.1. Lobby Forest Management Board to monitor the Forest Development and Management Fund and get sector wide support from the fund (also see 2.4.2)</p>	<p>March</p>	<p>FGLG</p>	<p>MK500,000</p>