

# Workshop: Rights, power and equity in the design of REDD+

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Sheraton Warsaw Hotel



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## Programme

REDD+ could benefit poor forest-dependent communities but this is by no means guaranteed. Speakers from Africa, Latin America and Asia will examine how REDD+ policy processes, private sector participation, and design of local interventions can be made more equitable and gender-sensitive.

This workshop will present results and experiences from current IIED-led collaborative research on the equity aspects of REDD+. These research projects are examining how best to ensure that REDD+ processes are inclusive and promote participation of marginalised groups, so that implementation of REDD+ programmes and projects result in positive social impacts for poor forest-dependent communities: avoiding deforestation, reducing forest degradation, and reducing poverty.

This work focuses on the following key areas:

- **To what extent women and men are participating in REDD+ decision-making processes and what role they play in relation to the reasons for deforestation and forest degradation.** This includes looking at what point women are involved in value chains and how this affects strategic interventions for addressing the causes of deforestation. Research is on-going in Mozambique, Tanzania and Nepal.
- **How the private sector is engaged in REDD+ and what policy and institutional frameworks exist to ensure that private investment does not take place at the expense of communities' rights.** A global data bank has been constructed, complemented by research in Mozambique, Tanzania, and the DRC. Who is the private sector, what is the motivation, how are rights secured and benefit shared? What are the key equity issues arising from this engagement?
- **What types of REDD+ compensation local communities prefer and what are effective approaches to finding this out.** The speakers will discuss the findings of research on community preferences in the REDD+ pilot projects. They will examine the merits of different types of REDD+ project design, in particular types of payment or compensation format, from the perspective of the communities involved. This is one component of an IIED and UMB project on how REDD+ can be designed to deliver poverty reduction benefits. This project involves work with REDD+ pilot initiatives in Brazil, Ghana, Tanzania, Uganda and Vietnam to improve understanding of their poverty impacts, track their implementation process, estimate their transaction costs and explore in what form the communities affected would like to be compensated for avoiding deforestation and forest degradation. It also involves analysis of whether and how pro-poor approaches to REDD+ that focus on smallholder farmers and forest-dependent communities could be cost-effective.

With participation from researchers, REDD+ policymakers and negotiators, practitioners and businesses, the event provides a space for discussion on how to tackle the challenges involved in ensuring that REDD+ is inclusive and equitable. Workshop results will provide important insights for negotiators in the 19<sup>th</sup> UNFCCC Conference of the Parties and for the design of REDD+ programmes and projects.

Time	Session
15.00	Registration Sheraton Warsaw Hotel
15.30	Introduction Maryanne Grieg-Gran, Principal Researcher, IIED
15.35	Keynote speech Phil Franks, REDD+ SES International Secretariat / IIED
15.50	Session 1: Private sector engagement in REDD+ Chair: Essam Yassin Mohammed, Researcher, IIED Speaker: Marisa Camargo, PhD candidate, University of Helsinki Discussant: Dr. Isilda Nhantumbo, Senior Researcher, IIED  Question and answers Closing remarks
16.40	Session 2: Gender in REDD+ Chair: Dr. Grazia Piras, Senior Researcher, IIED Speaker: Naya Sharma Paudel, Forest Action Nepal Discussant: Murat Sartas, Researcher, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences  Question and answers Closing remarks
17.30	Refreshment break
17.50	Session 3: Community preferences around compensation in REDD+ Chair: Maryanne Grieg-Gran, Principal Researcher, IIED  Experiences from Brazil, Ghana, Vietnam Speakers Assoc. Prof. Dr. Darley Kjosavik, Norwegian University of Life Sciences Dr. Essam Yassin Mohammed, Researcher, IIED Adrian Enright, REDD+ Advisor, SNV Vietnam  Discussants Cecilie Dyngeland, Norwegian University of Life Sciences Suelen Marostica, Amazonas Sustainable Foundation  Question and answers Closing remarks
19.10	Plenary discussion Closing remarks
19.30	Buffet reception
21.30	Close

## Location

Amsterdam-Athens Room, Sheraton Warsaw Hotel, Boleslaw Prusa 2, Warsaw 00-493.

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