



Contribution to UN-REDD Programme



Country/Region
Global

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REDD+ stands for countries efforts to Reduce Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation, and foster conservation, sustainable management of forests, and enhancement of forest carbon stocks.

Millions of indigenous and rural people depend directly on forests and their goods and services for their livelihoods. Forests, such as the Amazon, are ecosystems which are also vital to the planet's biodiversity and climate. Deforestation and forest degradation is a major contributor to greenhouse gas emissions, but forests also have a high potential

as carbon sinks. For this reason, SDC contributes to UN-REDD, a joint programme of the FAO, UNDP and UNEP. It is the UN programme of reference on Forests and Climate and is a key player in accelerating the implementation of appropriate policies and actions in tropical low and lower-middle income countries to reduce deforestation and restore forests. With its contribution, the SDC aims to realize the full climate change mitigation potential of forests through substantial reduction of deforestation and degradation, conservation of existing forests, restoration and low-carbon forest management.

Sustainable management of natural resources



Phase Duration

15.12.2020 – 31.12.2025 (Single Phase)

Financial contribution of SDC

CHF 5'000'000

Target groups

- Developing countries, mainly least developed, small countries in tropical zones, (priority regions and countries from an SDC perspective, where applicable)
- National and sub-national governments and relevant sector ministries/agencies/services
- Indigenous people, rural populations living near and from forests.

Achievements of UN-REDD so far

- More than 30 partner countries have advanced their national REDD+ plans
- 40 countries were supported in developing national forest monitoring systems
- 15 countries have developed country approaches to meeting the UN-FCCC social and environmental safeguards requirements
- 100+ community-based REDD+ projects have been implemented in pilot countries

Project Objectives

1. Realizing forest solutions

Forest-based greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions and enhanced removals, achieved at a level of 1 GtCO₂e per year

2. Rewarding forest solutions

USD 5 billion mobilised for REDD+ from results-based payment schemes, carbon markets and other transactions under Art. 6 of the Paris Agreement

3. Enhancing forest solutions

More than 15 countries enhance significantly the forest component of their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) in 2020–2025

4. Connecting actors and knowledge for forest solutions

A global, transformative forest-based solutions movement accelerates the response to the climate emergency

Expected results for 2020–2025

- Countries implement REDD+ investment plans/ programs to deliver Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)
- Forest landscape restoration low-carbon forest management and forest carbon stock enhancement accelerated
- Deforestation-free commodity chains developed
- Countries enabled to measure high-quality data, emission factors and emission reductions with policy-relevant monitoring systems

- Knowledge on how to scale up REDD+ implementation is captured, managed and disseminated to accelerate climate action

How this will be achieved

The Swiss engagement is a close collaboration between the Swiss Federal Office of the Environment FOEN, and the SDC. Switzerland is represented in the UN-REDD Board. At programme level, FOEN and the SDC work in close collaboration with the UN-REDD secretariat and project teams to capitalize on and scale-up the work in countries and regions in which the SDC has extensively engaged in sustainable forest management with communities. The SDC support specifically aims at scaling-up the impact of UN-REDD in South East Asia (ASEAN) and in parts of Africa.

Additional information

UN-REDD website <https://www.un-redd.org/>



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