

# AFF Round-table121008: Forest activities in Africa

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# Policies and Strategies guiding Sida's support as per January 2012

- Policies; nine decided by the government, most relevant for forestry and agriculture
  - Policy for environmental and climate issues
  - Policy for economic growth
  - "Change for Freedom" Policy for democratic development and human rights
  - "On equal footing", Policy for gender equality and rights and role of women in development cooperation
  - Policy for Research cooperation (Hannah more on that)
- Strategies:  
Bilateral, Regional, Global, Thematic (research cooperation, humanitarian work, civil society)  
<http://www.sida.se/Svenska/Om-oss/Sa-styrs-vi/Policyer-och-strategier/>

# Approved and planned REDD+ and other Forest related programmes

- GEF Global Environment Fund (2011)
- FIP Forest Investment Programme (2012)
- Regional and Global programs (RFGI\*, PREMI\*\*)
- International NGOs (IIED, RRI, IUCN, AFF)
- FAO
- Research institutions (CIFOR, CODESRIA)
- Support through Civil Society organisations (i.e. SCC)
- Business for Development B4D
- \*RFGI Regional Forest Governance Initiative
- \*\*PREMI Poverty Reduction and Env Management Initiative

# Forest related contributions – within bilateral cooperation in Africa

- Mocambique
- Ethiopia
- Mali (bilateral coop frozen)
- Burkina Faso (Support to Min of Environment – focus Forest Management)
- Liberia – (Community forestry, tender process under way)
- RDC Democratic Republic of Congo FPP Forest Peoples Programme
- Rwanda Forestry (one of 4 legs focus Environment)

# Examples from "reality"



# Exemples from "reality"

- **Mali GEDEFOR** (Gestion Décentralisée des Forêts), with the objective to :
  - Strengthen public institution, decentralisation of resources and capacity to local institutions
  - Effective and sustainable management of forest
  - Income generating activities for local people living near or in the forest
  - Protection of threatened forest
  - Preparatory "pre-cursor" to a Sector Budget Support (process frozen today)

# Examples from "reality"

## RFGI Responsive Forest Governance Initiative

- Objective: To produce a "manual" with information and advice on how to support and measure sustainable management of forests, manual to be used in a REDD+ context. The manual will develop themes like decentralisation, evidence based learning from on-going reform on sustainable management of forests, capacity building and knowledge spread and management
- Agreement between CODESRIA, IUCN and the University of Illinois
- Field studies will be performed in 6 countries in Africa

# Support to FPP, Forest Peoples Programme, RD Congo

- To establish a national management framework
- To enable local and indigenous communities to identify economic activities
- To deliver community-based Economic Development Initiatives on the basis of local and indigenous communities
- To build capacity of local partners regarding (a) facilitation of human rights trainings and (b) mainstreaming of gender and indigenous peoples
- To ensure that national REDD projects that are being rolled out will give more attention to the rights of local and indigenous forest peoples



# Figures and Future?

- 758 Million SEK to "Agriculture" 2011
- Of that 15% classified like "forestry" but there are forest related project also within "agriculture", "rural development" and "environment"
- Government's special attribution to Food Security – 2011 225 Million SEK
- Challenge: Many Result Strategies to be produced in the near time! Private sector development and Agriculture focus in Zambia and Tanzania – room for interpretation.
- Mari Albihn special task to work on "Food Security" to develop guidelines for Sida's work in the area