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Forest sector development

Our commitment:

FRR and *theIDLgroup* believe that conservation, sustainable management and equitable access to forest resources are fundamental to rural economic growth and poverty reduction, and essential for the provision of local and global environmental services (such as a stable climate, clean water and biodiversity). Our work aims to achieve an equitable balance between the needs of governments, local communities, commercial and conservation interests, while ensuring that the value and integrity of forest eco-systems, and the species they support, are maintained.



The way we work:

The forest sector is a complex and contested environment. Forest resources and services are valuable commodities over which different groups compete for access, often against a background of policy, institutional and market failures which favour the more powerful stakeholders. FRR works to facilitate effective policy, governance and market responses at the local, national and international levels. We aim to help stakeholders manage their multiple objectives to achieve sustainable management of forest resources for conservation, economic growth, and livelihood needs.



Our clients:

Our clients include international donors and development agencies, developing country governments, parliamentarians, civil society organisations and forest-dependant communities.

Our core competencies include:

- ✓ Policy analysis and development
- ✓ Innovative programme design
- ✓ Project management and implementation
- ✓ Monitoring and evaluation

Our specialist areas include:

- Forest sector development
- ✓ Sustainable forest management
- ✓ Forest sector policy analysis
- ✓ Forest governance
- ✓ Timber trade and illegal logging
- ✓ Forest based livelihoods and non-timber forest products
- ✓ Institutional development of forest sector agencies
- ✓ Capacity building for forest-based communities and NGOs
- ✓ Payment for ecosystem services (PES)
- ✓ Biodiversity conservation, protected area management and ecotourism.

Selected experience:

Orissa Forest Sector Support Project (India) including, review and development of state forest policy; institutional strengthening of the Forest Department; communications strategy; and a series of community-based pilot projects to improve rural livelihoods.

Advising the government of Ghana on its preparatory process for **FLEGT (Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade)** negotiations with the EC.

Advising the **Malawian Government** on private sector involvement in the management of its state-owned forest plantations, with an emphasis on economic growth and poverty reduction.

Support to a Forest Trends' study to develop **certification of ecosystem services**

Implementation of a wide reaching reform programme in the **Ghana Forest Sector**, including support to Parliamentarians, a land and forest policy research facility, and strengthening civil society engagement in forest sector issues.

A policy options paper on **innovative forest finance** for the G8 Illegal Logging Dialogue (GLOBE International Legislators Group).



Forest sector development specialists

Our Staff Consultants include: Steve Archibald, Steve Ashley, Helen Baker, Clare Brogan, Taylor Brown, Martin Fowler, Sam Gibson, Rowena Humphreys, Hanh Tran Huong, Terry Green, Claire Ireland, Renee Kantelberg, Tim Midgley, Claudine Nagiah, Rob Primmer, Richard Rastall, Michael Richards, Phil Cowling, Helene Jewell and Victoria Wiafe.

A short synopsis of some of our key forest sector professionals are given below:

TERRY GREEN is an institutional policy specialist, who has advised governments worldwide on design and management of reform programmes. He has over 25 years experience in developing and transition economies, during which he has worked primarily in the forestry, land, agriculture and extractive industries sectors. Terry has a track record in forest governance, policy reform, public sector development, institutional strengthening, privatisation, regulatory reform, and civil society development. His consulting career spans more than 30 countries across Europe, Asia, Africa and the Middle East.



CLARE BROGAN has experience in natural resource management, community development and forest sector governance, with particular experience in sub-Saharan Africa. She combines strong analytical and project management skills with considerable experience of institutional development, capacity building of Community Based Organisations and Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) approaches. She has in-depth knowledge of the issues surrounding forest sector governance and illegal logging, having worked extensively on FLEGT and VPA initiatives in Ghana and Cameroon.

CLAUDINE NAGIAH is a Consultant with extensive experience of managing international development projects in the natural resource management and social development. She recently managed a £1.5 million DFID funded programme in Orissa, India, which to strengthened the state forest sector to better enable it to contribute to pro-poor economic growth. She has a particular interest in community based natural resource management and recently completed a feasibility study and design of a community based eco-tourism project in Ecuador. She has worked in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Ecuador, Romania, Ghana, Malawi, India, Nepal and Vietnam.



Dr MICHAEL RICHARDS is a natural resources economist with 30 years of development experience. In recent years he has worked mainly on tropical forest policy/governance, environmental economics and rural/community development issues. Key expertise includes payments for ecosystem services; policies and incentives for sustainable forest management and conservation; forest trade, governance and illegal logging; community forestry; and rural poverty analysis. He has a strong research portfolio, extensive project cycle management experience and excellent writing skills.

HELEN BAKER is a Research Consultant who has been with *theIDLgroup* since 2005. She has a wide set of skills for the successful management and facilitation of development services, specifically in the forestry, environment and natural resources sectors. Helen has worked as rapporteur on an assignment for Irish Aid in Ethiopia, worked in Uganda on a rainwater harvesting project, and conducted a baseline habitat survey for a wetland conservation project in Portugal. Her recent work sees Helen supporting the Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade initiative in Ghana. She speaks good Portuguese.



Key Technical skills and Expertise

Together with the wider team from *theIDLgroup*, we can offer a diverse mix of core technical skills to successfully undertake a range of development consultancies:

Independent Review and Analysis

Interim Advisors and Programme Managers

Design and Delivery of Training Courses.

Facilitation, Consultation and Process Management

Programme Design, Monitoring and Evaluation

Design and Facilitation of Study Tours and Retreats



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