



Mainyoito Pastoralist Integrated
Development Organization
*For Human Rights & Empowerment
of Marginalized Pastoralist communities*

Pan-African Civil Society and Forest Dependent Indigenous Peoples FCPF Capacity Building Program on REDD+ Project

**Call for Proposals for capacity building and awareness raising Actions for
Southern Civil Society, Local Communities and Forest -Dependent Indigenous
peoples, on REDD+ in Africa, 15th July 2016, Nairobi, Kenya**

Background

The Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) of the World Bank is a global partnership of governments, businesses, civil society and indigenous peoples from Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Asia-Pacific regions, and financial contributors from both the public and private sectors. The main focus of the FCPF is on laying the ground for REDD+ activities, and piloting performance-based payment systems by, inter alia, increasing the capacity of forest-dependent indigenous peoples, civil society and local communities to participate in REDD+ decision making at national and regional levels. The FCPF is funding a Capacity Building Program in the three regions; in the Africa region it will be implemented by the Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA) and the Mainyoito Pastoralists Integrated Development Organization (MPIDO).

PACJA¹ is an African Civil Society Coalition working across 45 African countries and whose Secretariat is located in Nairobi, Kenya. PACJA has been selected by the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) to implement a project to strengthen the knowledge of targeted Southern Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) and local communities to effectively engage in REDD+ processes at the national level and enhance knowledge exchange at the regional level.

MPIDO² is an Indigenous Peoples³ organization based in Kenya and has been selected by the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) to implement a FCPF-funded project to raise African forest-dependent indigenous peoples' communities' awareness of climate change and REDD+, and build their capacity to engage in actionable plans at the national level.

¹www.pacja.org

²www.mpido.org

³ The World Bank Operational Policy on Indigenous Peoples describes the term "Indigenous Peoples" in a generic sense to refer to a distinct, vulnerable, social and cultural group possessing the following characteristics in varying degrees: (a) self-identification as members of a distinct indigenous cultural group and recognition of this identity by others; (b) collective attachment to geographically distinct habitats or ancestral territories in the project area and to the natural resources in these habitats and territories; (c) customary cultural, economic, social, or political institutions that are separate from those of the dominant society and culture; and (d) an indigenous language, often different from the official language of the country or region. A group that has lost "collective attachment to geographically distinct habitats or ancestral territories in the project area" because of forced severance remains eligible for coverage under this policy. Ascertaining whether a particular group is considered as "Indigenous Peoples" for the purpose of this policy may require a technical judgment. For more information [link](#)

Overview

REDD+ is the acronym used to describe an agenda for reducing emissions from deforestation; reducing emissions from forest degradation; foster conservation; sustainable management of forests; and enhancement of forest carbon stocks. It was conceived under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) 16th Conference of the Parties (COP16) in Cancun in 2010.

Scope of Capacity Building Actions and Geographic Focus

Eligible REDD+ capacity building Actions will be financed by PACJA and MPIDO. The Actions will benefit forest dependent indigenous peoples, civil society and local communities, preferably through national coalitions, of the following countries: **Cameroon, Republic of Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Liberia, Madagascar, Mozambique, Nigeria, Sudan, Togo and Uganda.**

In order to achieve the objective, PACJA will support capacity building and awareness raising activities for civil society and local communities while MPIDO will support activities for Forest-dependent Indigenous Peoples, and their representative organizations and networks. Actions which demonstrate strong involvement of women and youth will be given more priority. The following are some of the Actions that will be considered for financing and other support:-

- (a) Actions that catalyze, strengthen coordination and coalition building among forest dependent indigenous peoples, civil society organizations, local communities and the government agencies responsible for REDD+, leading REDD+ processes and increasing effective participation in the management and implementation of REDD+ nationally, including through a process of self-selection of representatives.
- (b) Actions that enhance the understanding of climate change and REDD+ and its impacts on forest dependent indigenous peoples, civil society and local communities especially in regards to land tenure and livelihoods;
- (c) Studies, analytical reports and reviews that explore forest dependent indigenous peoples, civil society and local communities' respective roles, responsibilities and interests related to climate change mitigation and adaptation; and
- (d) Actions that support monitoring of national REDD+ activities;

Selected Actions will support capacity building workshops, studies and analytical documents, reviews and awareness raising forums. Proposals can be a combination of these instruments and may be targeted at the national and/or sub-national levels. Actions will be aligned with their respective country's REDD+ visions and plans.

All Actions will be conducted in culturally appropriate languages respecting the rights, traditional and culture of targeted forest-dependent communities and their rights to free, prior and informed consultation leading to broad community support in accordance to the World Bank Operational Policy on Indigenous Peoples, OP 4.10.

*The selected Actions will each receive grants ranging between **USD 35,000 to USD 50,000***

Application Process and Deadline

Eligible Forest-dependent Indigenous Peoples' organizations and networks from the above listed countries are called to submit project proposals to MPIDO, to be considered for financing by the project while eligible Civil Society organizations and networks from the above listed countries are called to submit project proposals to PACJA, to be considered for financing by the project.

Applicants that self-identify themselves as Civil Society organizations should submit their proposals to PACJA through this email address: cbp@pacja.org

Applicants that self-identify themselves as forest dependent indigenous people's organizations should submit their proposals to MPIDO through the following email address: cbp@mpido.org

Please visit www.pacja.org and www.mpido.org for further information on the application and selection process, including criteria for selection, a proposal application form, and a timetable.

The applications MUST be made using the Application Form (**English, French**)

Action proposals should be submitted on or before **30th July, 2016**.