Peru becomes the second DGM Country-level Project to be approved by the World Bank

In September 2015, the World Bank Board approved the DGM Country Project proposal in Peru to support Indigenous communities in their efforts to protect the Peruvian Amazon. The “Saweto Dedicated Grant Mechanism for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities Project” supports climate change mitigation and inclusive growth by enhancing legal protection and recognition, as well as capacity building, necessary to empower Peruvian Amazon communities living in and caring for the forests. Their continued and protected stewardship of this land is essential, as it represents one of the most important land-based carbon sinks for greenhouse gases in South America.

Expected results for the project include: i) recognition of 310 indigenous communities in the Amazon in the National Registry of Native Communities; ii) land demarcation, titling and registration with the National Superintendent of Public Registries (SUNARP, in Spanish) for 130 indigenous communities representing at least 780,000 hectares of land; and iii) satisfactory implementation of 50 food security, 20 income generating and five sustainable timber productive subprojects.

Peru joins the DGM Brazil component for which the “Dedicated Grant Mechanism for Indigenous Peoples Project of Brazil” was approved in March 2015 to strengthen the engagement of Cerrado Biome’s Indigenous Peoples and traditional communities in FIP, REDD+ and similar climate change oriented programs at the local and national level, and to contribute towards improving livelihoods, land use and sustainable forest management in their territories. The Peru Country Project will receive US $5.5 million, and the Brazil Country Project will receive US $6.5 million. Both projects are for a duration of five years.

Additional DGM Country Project proposals have been submitted by Burkina Faso, DRC and Indonesia, and approval is underway. More information about the Peru and Brazil Country-level projects as well as other information about the DGM is available at: www.dgmglobal.org

The DGM is holding two events to launch the Saweto Project at the Annual meetings of the World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund in Lima, Peru, October 7-9: “Indigenous Governance and Territorial Surveillance” and “MDE-Saweto Peru: Climate Action to Tackle Climate Change.” Information from the events will be posted at www.dgmglobal.org.

The World Bank press release can be viewed online at: http://bit.ly/1OTW0w7

DGM expands to include six new FIP countries

On October 2, 2015 the FIP Sub-Committee endorsed the indicative allocation of US $30 million for National components of the DGM in six new FIP pilot countries—Congo, Cote d’Ivoire, Ecuador, Guatemala, Mozambique and Nepal—bringing the total number of countries with DGM funding to 14. Each new country was endorsed for an envelope of US $4.5 million, and the FIP affirmed that the new funds will be allocated in accordance with DGM Design Rules and Implementation Arrangements by indigenous peoples and local communities. As part of the endorsement, US $3 million was allocated to the DGM Global project for learning and knowledge exchange.

The DGM welcomes six new countries to the program through a newly endorsed allocation of US $30 million from the FIP. With the new funds the DGM now includes US $80 million in support to 14 National components and one Global project.

Congo 4.5
Cote d’Ivoire 4.5
Ecuador 4.5
Guatemala 4.5
Mozambique 4.5
Nepal 4.5
Global 3.0
Total 30.0

First meeting of the DGM Global Steering Committee held in Bali

The first meeting of the Global Steering Committee for the DGM was held in Bali from July 25-27. The meeting included updates from the current Country-level components and also marked the start of the DGM Global Learning and Knowledge Exchange Project (i.e. the DGM Global project). Steering Committee members from five DGM countries were in attendance—Brazil, DRC, Indonesia, Mexico, and Peru, as well as observers from the World Bank, Climate Investment Funds, Norway’s International Climate and Forest Initiative, and the DGM National Executing Agencies from Brazil and Indonesia.

Conservation International, the Global Executing Agency for the DGM Global project, facilitated the meeting during
DGM Events planned for COP 21 in Paris

An express goal of the DGM is to support Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities to enhance their participation in REDD+ and other processes related to forest issues and climate change at the global level. To this end, the DGM Global Project is planning several activities at the upcoming UNFCCC 21st Conference of the Parties to be held this December in Paris. The DGM Global Steering Committee Members, including members from several DGM countries, and the Global Executing Agency, will be present.

The Global DGM project is planning a Launchpad event at the Global Landscapes Forum as well as a side event at the Indigenous Peoples Pavilion. The DGM will aim to share the successful establishment of the DGM self-governance, management and implementation plans, which strengthen the full and effective participation of indigenous peoples and local communities in defining environmental policies and implementing REDD+. More information about these events will be posted to the DGM Global website at: www.dgmglobal.org

DGM events at COP 21 Paris

- Information Sharing Session with Indigenous Peoples at the Indigenous Global Caucus (November 29)
- Launchpad Event at the Global Landscapes Forum (December 5-6)
- DGM Side Event at the Indigenous Peoples Forum

About the Dedicated Grant Mechanism for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities

The Forest Investment Program’s (FIP) Dedicated Grant Mechanism for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (DGM) was officially launched in May 2015. The unique initiative, originally approved for US $50 million and recently expanded by an additional US $30 million, places grant funds under the management of indigenous peoples and local communities in 14 countries to support their participation in the FIP and other REDD+ processes. In addition to the 14 Country-level projects, the DGM includes a Global project on learning and knowledge exchange.


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which the Committee agreed to a number of key documents for the Global project’s implementation: the Global Steering Committee Rules and Procedures, the One- and Five-Year Work Plans for the DGM Global project and the DGM Grievance and Redress Mechanism and Complaints Procedures. The Committee also considered and made a recommendation on funding for six new pilot countries, which were subsequently endorsed by the FIP Sub-Committee. The current co-chairs of the Committee, from DRC and the Philippines, were selected to serve for the next two years.

The First DGM Global Steering Committee approved the Global Steering Committee Rules and Procedures, the One- and Five-Year Work Plans for the DGM Global project, and the DGM Grievance and Redress Mechanism and Complaints Procedures.

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