

CAFI

CENTRAL AFRICAN
FOREST INITIATIVE

INITIATIVE POUR
LA FORÊT DE
L'AFRIQUE CENTRALE

*Scaling up climate and forest efforts
in Central Africa*



Why scale up forest and climate efforts in Central Africa?

- **OPPORTUNITY:** 2nd world's biggest rainforest, commercial drivers of deforestation are still limited
- **PROBLEMS:**
 - Donor efforts have much to gain through coordination, strategic focus and long term approach.
 - Countries need reforms, a focus on multiple drivers within and outside the forestry sector, and cross-sectoral leadership to address these
- **SOLUTION:** Coalition of willing countries working with countries of the region to patiently build capacity, drive strategic reform agendas and address multiple interconnected drivers.

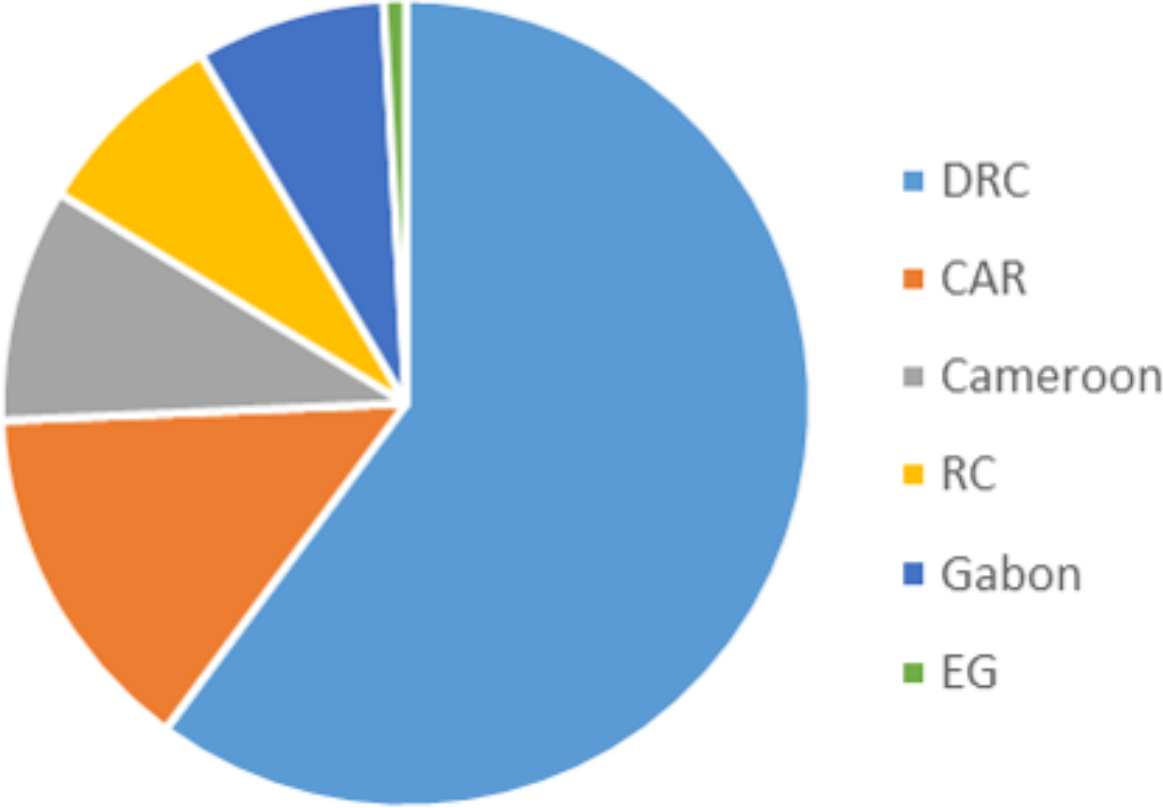


Regional and multi-donor initiative

- **Regional:** DR Congo, Republic of Congo, Gabon, Central-African Republic, Cameroon and Equatorial-Guinea (HFLD countries)
- **Multi-donor:** European Union, France, Germany, Norway and United Kingdom
- **South-South Partner:** Brazil
- Joint Declaration signed in New York on 29 September 2015



CAFI forest cover of 3.3 million km²



Mission

- Recognize and preserve the value of the forests in the region to mitigating climate change, reducing poverty, and contributing to sustainable development;
- Implement country-led, holistic low emissions development investment frameworks that include national policy reforms and measures addressing drivers of deforestation and forest degradation



South – South Cooperation

- CAFE encourages and is open to support South-South and triangular cooperation programmes.
- Brazil has joined CAFE and other interested third party countries and international organizations are welcome to participate by offering support for capacity building and exchange of experiences and expertise in the implementation of policies that contribute to fulfilling CAFE objectives.



CAFI

- Platform for tight donor coordination
- Substantially scaled-up support to national REDD+/LEDS investment frameworks (minimum 500 million USD)
- Optional funding mechanism through UNDPs Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office, MPTF
- Open to public and private donors
- Implementing partners: UN, WB, international cooperation agencies (in a first phase)



Complementarities and synergies with the Green Climate Fund

- The Initiative will be complementary to the Green Climate Fund, for which donors cannot earmark their contributions to specific countries and sectors
- The Initiative can leverage increased GCF investments to REDD+ in the region: Possibility of contributions from or co-finance with the GCF

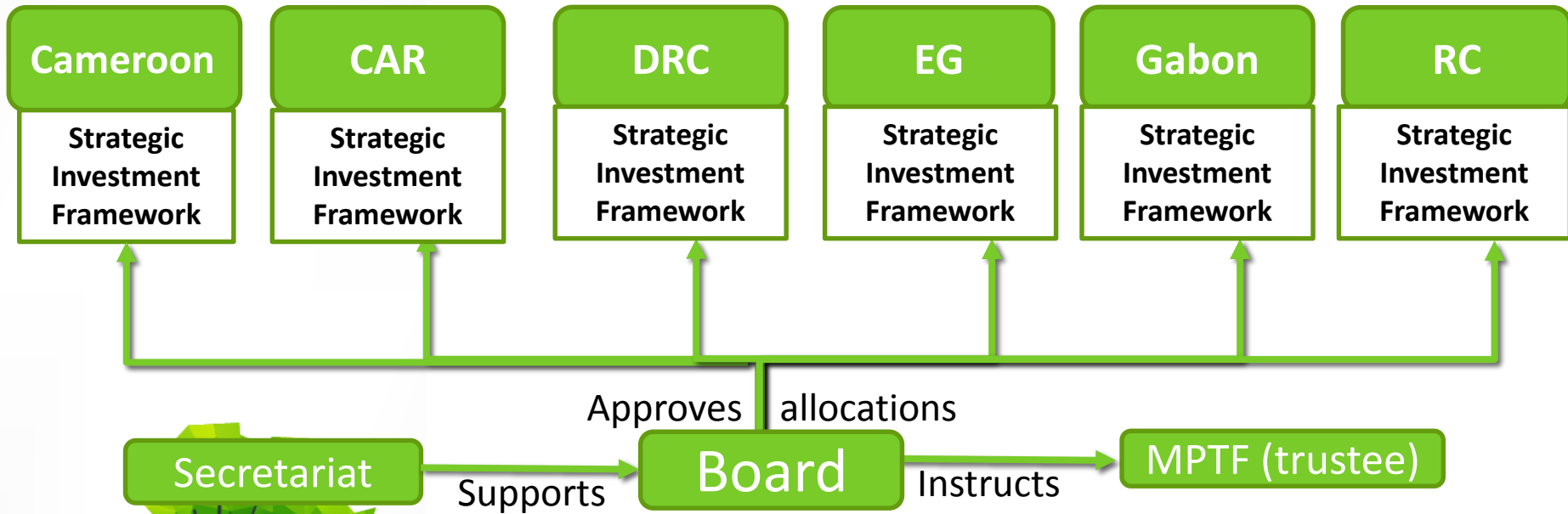


Latest developments

- Preparatory grants to RoC and CAR approved in January 2016 to develop their national investment frameworks
- Letter of intent signed with DRC (200 mill USD) in April 2016. National Investment Plan implemented through National REDD+ Fund



Central African REDD+ Fund - governance and program framework



Thank You



CAFI
CENTRAL AFRICAN
FOREST INITIATIVE
INITIATIVE POUR
LA FORÊT DE
L'AFRIQUE CENTRALE

For more information :
berta.pesti@undp.org or www.cafi.org