

# Congo Basin Strategic Program - CBSP

## Strategic GEF Program for Sustainable Forest Management in the Congo Basin



# Program Development (process)

- Feb.2008: Ministerial Declaration of Libreville & roadmap
- Nov. 2008: Approval of the Program by the GEF Council
- 2009: Project concept Development
- 2010/2011: Project Development (# 23.3 months)



# Rationale for the Program

- 0 project situation at mid-GEF4
- Recurrent difficulties to raise funds (RAF, cofinancing)
- Tropical Forest Account



# Key figures for the CBSP

- GEF: \$50 million (Allocations + Tropical Forest Account)
- Cofinancing: \$200 million
- 13 projects: 5 regional, 1 transboundary, 7 national
- \$812,000 – \$13 million (# \$3.7m)



# 3 main orientations

- **Conservation** of ecosystem functions and values within the regional protected area network,
- Fostering of **sustainable management** and use of forest and water resources in the productive landscape of the Congo Basin,
- Strengthening the policy, regulatory, institutional and sustainable **financing framework** for sustainable ecosystem management



# Conservation of Biodiversity Hotspots

- Congo DR, WB, CBSP Forest and Nature Conservation Project, GEF \$6 million, cofinancing 62 million
- Equatorial Guinea, UNDP, GEF 1,7 million, cofinancing \$4,450 million
- Strengthening protected area systems in Central Africa Republic, GEF \$1,7m, cofinancing \$3m



# Sustainable Forest Management

- Regional, UNEP, A regional Focus on Sustainable Timber Management, GEF \$3 m, cofin. \$13.8m
- Regional, FAO, Sustainable Management of the Wildlife and Bushmeat Sector, GEF 4,254m, cofin. 7,9 million
- Cameroon, FAO, Sustainable Community Based Management of Mangroves, GEF \$1.7m, cofin. \$3,7m
- Cameroon, WB, Conservation and sustainable use of the Ngoyla Mintom Forest, \$3.5m, cofin. \$6.5m
- DRC & Congo, UNDP , Catalyzing SFM in the Lake Tele-Lake Tumba Transboundary Wetland landscape, \$2.5M, cofin. \$5.3M



# Capacity – Financing Framework

- Regional, WB, Enhancing Capacities on REDD issues for Sustainable Forest Management, GEF \$13m, cof \$60.3
- Regional, UNDP, Sustainable financial mechanisms of protected areas,
- Gabon, UNDP, Sustainable Management of the Mbe River Forested Watershed through the Development of a PES Mechanism
- COMIFAC, WB, Capacity building for Sustainable Forest Management. \$815.000. cof. 1.1m \$





# Key-points in preparing a GEF Program on Forests

- Process – Political and technical
- Partnerships – cofinancing
- Baseline – GEF niche/Strategy – Multiple Benefits
- SFM/REDD+ Incentive
- Country ownership
- Impacts



# The Multiple Dimensions of Natural Resources

## Management

**UNFCCC**

**CBD**

**Carbon**

**Biodiversity**

**Sustainable  
Forest Management**

**Land  
Degradation**

**International  
Waters**

**UNCCD**

