



Asesoramiento Ambiental Estratégico

Stakeholder Engagement and Gender Policy Statement

As an environmental consultancy company, Asesoramiento Ambiental Estratégico (AAE) is committed to applying best practice guidelines in our operations at all times. This commitment extends to our associated consultants.

Many of our projects include stakeholder engagement elements, which we consider of great importance to ensure the sustainability of activities beyond the runtime of our projects. In addition, we strive for gender inclusiveness and responsiveness throughout project planning and implementation.

Therefore, AAE is committed to applying and promoting good practice guidance for all stakeholder engagement activities planned, organized and carried out by permanent staff, associated consultants or team members of partner organisations in joint ventures. Good practice guidance we are currently using may differ from one project to another, depending on the circumstances. For example, there is REDD+-specific guidance we apply in REDD+ readiness work and GCF-specific guidance we use in developing GCF concept notes or full proposals. Examples include:

- Diamond, Nancy K. 2013. Readiness To Engage: Stakeholder Engagement Experiences for REDD+. Arlington, VA, USA: Forest Carbon, Markets and Communities (FCMC) Program.
- FCPF and UN-REDD 2012. Guidelines on Stakeholder Engagement in REDD+ Readiness with a Focus on the Participation of Indigenous Peoples and Other Forest-Dependent Communities. [https://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/sites/fcp/files/2013/May2013/Guidelines on Stakeholder Engagement April 20%2C 2012 %28revision of March 25th version%29.pdf](https://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/sites/fcp/files/2013/May2013/Guidelines_on_Stakeholder_Engagement_April_20%2C_2012_%28revision_of_March_25th_version%29.pdf).
- GCF 2017. Mainstreaming Gender in Green Climate Fund Projects. A Practical Manual to Support the Integration of Gender Equality in Climate Change Interventions and Climate Finance. Yeonsu-gu, Incheon, Republic of Korea: The Green Climate Fund (GCF).
- UN-REDD Programme 2013. Guidelines on Free, Prior and Informed Consent. Geneva, Switzerland: UN-REDD Programme Secretariat.
- UN-REDD Programme 2017. UN-REDD Methodological Brief on Gender. Technical Resource Series 4. Geneva, Switzerland: UNDP and UN-REDD Programme Secretariat.

We are constantly looking out for recent development regarding best practices in stakeholder engagement and gender mainstreaming and may update the present document accordingly.

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