







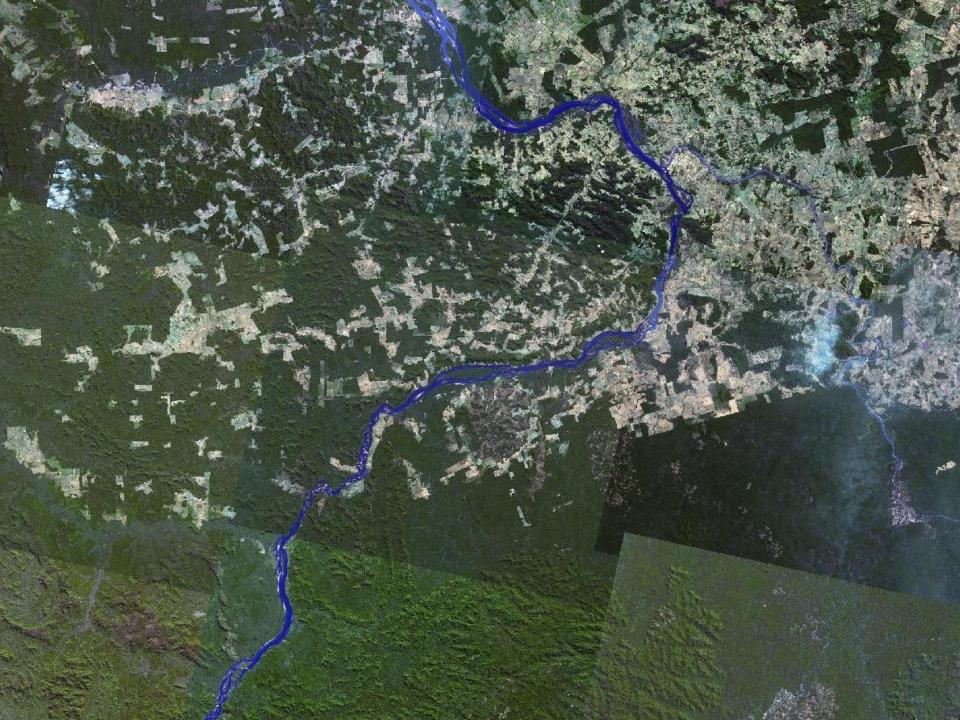
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# Jurisdictional Approaches to Green Development

A Learning Exchange







# Early Lessons from Jurisdictional REDD+/LED Programs

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# Objectives of the Study

- What are the benefits and risks of jurisdictional approaches?
- What has worked so far and why?
- What incentives are most effective?
- What are the key challenges that jurisdictions face?
- What can we learn from the progress made?

### Jurisdictions studied



#### Different approaches: Challenge to generalize

Private sector commodity Community forestry and production livelihoods

Public policies and finance Traditional forest sector activities

#### Conclusion #1

Jurisdictional programs are a compelling approach and worth continued attention.

#### Benefits:

- Manageable scale
- Proof of concept
- Economies of scale
- Policy dialogue
- Institutional collaboration

#### Risks:

- Capacity for large, complex program
- Coordination
- Misalignment w/national
- Higher uncertainties

#### Cannot discount value of:

National action + Project level activity

#### Conclusion #2

Jurisdictional programs are endeavors that require patience and long-term commitments.

- Complex relationships, multiple stakeholders
- Changing perceptions about rural development
- Changing behavior on the ground
- Building enabling environment
- Capacity gap
- Country ownership

### Conclusion #3 and 4

Political leaders require a compelling value proposition to change course, but many do not have one yet... but early efforts and successes are encouraging.

#### Success to date based on:

- Political will of government
- Strong legal, policy and regulatory environment
- Community green growth strategies
- External investment and support (mostly ODA)

#### **Incentives for future success:**

- Domestic policies
- Leveraging in-country finance
- Market signals / supply chain pressure
- REDD+ finance
- ...but not ODA

## What does this mean for REDD+/LED?

- We need to move from a model of paying for opportunity-cost to a model of transformational development
- Jurisdictions need "packages" of finance and incentives
- Flexibility is needed in early stages of piloting REDD+ payments

# Top 10 Things **NOT** To Do

- 1. Assume we know what motivates political leaders and other key stakeholders, without understanding the context.
- 2. Invest most funding into REDD+ planning and "infrastructure" (e.g. MRV, safeguards, etc.) and expect political leaders to maintain interest and momentum.
- 3. Offer largely results-based finance to low-capacity countries and expect them to perform.
- 4. Look to REDD+ payments or corporate supply chains as the sole solution to the problem.

# Top 10 Things **NOT** To Do

- 5. Underestimate the problem of political and bureaucratic capacity and turnover in countries.
- 6. Push countries to move too quickly.
- 7. Assume that REDD+ is cheap.
- 8. Create a model based on paying actors indefinitely to change behavior.
- 9. Expect others to take risks but not take risks ourselves.
- 10. Lose optimism.

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