





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 production

Public policies and finance

Community forestry and livelihoods

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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