



**NATIONAL FUND FOR ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(FONERWA)**

**RWANDA NDC DEEP DIVE: ADVANCING FINANCIAL
INNOVATION TO SCALE UP CLIMATE ACTION
(P172153)**

ENVIRONMENTAL and SOCIAL COMMITMENT PLAN (ESCP)

July, 2020

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL COMMITMENT PLAN

1. The Republic of Rwanda is planning to implement a project entitled “**Rwanda NDC Deep Dive: Advancing Financial Innovation to scale up Climate Action**”, with the involvement of the following Ministries/agencies/units: Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning (MINECOFIN), National Fund for Environment and Climate Change (FONERWA), Ministry of Environment (MoE), Ministry of Infrastructure (MININFRA), Rwanda Water Board (RWB), Rwanda Development Board (RDB) and Water and Sanitation Corporation (WASAC). The **International Development Association hereinafter the Association** has agreed to provide financing for the Project.
2. The Republic of Rwanda through FONERWA will implement material measures and actions so that the Project is implemented in accordance with the World Bank Environmental and Social Standards (ESSs). This Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP) sets out a summary of the material measures and actions.
3. In particular, the ESCP requires compliance with the provisions set out in the Stakeholder Engagement Plan and the Labor Management Procedures that have been developed for the Project.
4. The table below summarizes the material measures and actions that are required as well as the timing of the material measures and actions. The Republic of Rwanda is responsible for compliance with all requirements of the ESCP even when implementation of specific measures and actions is conducted by the ministries or agencies referenced in 1 above.
5. Implementation of the material measures and actions set out in this ESCP will be monitored and reported to the Association by the Republic of Rwanda as required by the ESCP and the conditions of the legal agreement, and the Association will monitor and assess progress and completion of the material measures and actions throughout implementation of the Project.
6. As agreed by the Association and Republic of Rwanda, this ESCP may be revised from time to time during Project implementation, to reflect adaptive management of Project changes and unforeseen circumstances or in response to assessment of Project performance conducted under the ESCP itself. In such circumstances, the FONERWA will agree to the changes with the Association and will update the ESCP to reflect such changes. Agreement on changes to the ESCP will be documented through the exchange of letters signed between the Association and FONERWA. FONERWA will promptly redisclose the updated ESCP.
7. Where Project changes, unforeseen circumstances, or Project performance result in changes to the risks and impacts during Project implementation, FONERWA shall provide additional funds, if needed, to implement actions and measures to address such risks and impacts.

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<i>Summary of the Material Measures and Actions to Mitigate the Project's Potential Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts</i>	<i>Timeframe</i>	<i>Responsibility / Authority and Resources/Funding Committed</i>	<i>Date of Completion</i>
ESCP Monitoring and Reporting			
<p>A REGULAR REPORTING:</p> <p>Prepare and submit regular monitoring reports on the environmental and social performance of the Project, including, inter alia, implementation of the ESCP in form and substance acceptable to the Association. More specifically, each report will cover: (a) implementation of the ESS documents required under the ESCP; namely, the SEP/stakeholders engagement report and the LMP/labor management under the project; (b) any accidents or incidents since the last reporting period; (c) stakeholder engagement activities; (d) any unforeseen/unanticipated E&S risks since the last reporting period; and (e) any grievances since the last reporting period and functioning of the grievance mechanism.</p>	<p>Quarterly (every 3 months) reports submitted to the Association, throughout the Project implementation.</p>	<p>FONERWA</p> <p>Monitoring costs to be incorporated in the overall Project management costs.</p>	<p>Throughout the Project implementation.</p>
<p>B INCIDENTS AND ACCIDENTS NOTIFICATION</p> <p>The following will be given compulsory priority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Notify within 24 hours any incident or accident related to the project; or is likely to have a significant adverse effect on the environment, the affected communities, the general public, or workers including FONERWA staff of, and consulting firms to, the project. - Provide sufficient details regarding the incident or accident, and indicate immediate measures taken to address it; - A report of the incident or accident shall be submitted, detailing summary findings of the Root Cause Analysis; 	<p>Any incident or accident shall be notified immediately (to the Association) after taking note of the incident or accident following the World Bank Environmental and Social Incident Response Toolkit (ESIRT) guidelines.</p>	<p>FONERWA Consulting firms</p>	<p>Throughout the Project implementation</p>

SUMMARY ASSESSMENT

ESS 1: ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL RISKS AND IMPACTS

1.1	<p>ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE</p> <p>The project financial arrangement will be coordinated and managed by the National Climate and Environmental Fund (FONERWA) under the leadership of its CEO. The Fund will oversee the overall project implementation, financial management, technical supervision and monitoring and evaluation using its qualified staff. Climate Finance Specialist, Fund Management Specialist (focal person), Procurement specialist, Environmental and Social Safeguard Specialist and Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist will support in the whole project implementation managing the consultants that will be recruited.</p>	<p>The staff are already in place and be ready to support in the implementation when the project commences</p>	<p>FONERWA</p> <p>Funding from Project budget</p>	<p>Within the specified timeframe and maintained throughout Project implementation</p>
1.2	<p>ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL ASSESSMENT</p> <p>Given the low level of risk, an Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) will be prepared for the piloting subprojects under the Community Adaptation Fund (CAF) to be piloted in Gicumbi District. The potential risks of the proposed pilot subprojects will be managed through ESMP and this ESCP that combines the LMP and SEP.</p>	<p>The ESMP for the CAF pilot subprojects will be prepared prior to start of any subproject activities. Any environmental and social risk shall be notified immediately (to the Association) after taking note of the incident or accident following the World Bank Environmental and Social Impact assessment guideline</p>	<p>FONERWA</p>	<p>Throughout the Project implementation</p>
1.3	<p>MANAGEMENT TOOLS AND INSTRUMENTS:</p> <p>It is determined that an environmental and social assessment will not be required for the implementation of the Project. As such, the instruments to be prepared only include (a) ESMP, b) ESCP that combines the Labor Management Procedures (LMP) and Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) as this is a low risk operation.</p>	<p>Not Applicable</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>

	<i>(ESSs 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 are not currently relevant and are not discussed further in this matrix)</i>			
1.4	MANAGEMENT OF CONTRACTORS: Incorporate all relevant aspects of the ESCP in project-related contracts and monitor and enforce consultant compliance via an ESCP reporting obligation for consultants.	Incorporate & maintain procedures throughout the project implementation	FONERWA	Throughout the project implementation
1.5	PERMIT, CONSENTS AND AUTHORIZATIONS: Not relevant			
ESS 2: LABOR AND WORKING CONDITIONS				
2.1	LABOR MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES: The Labor Management Procedures (LMP) shall be prepared through the following phases: a) Preparation of the draft LMP. b) Preparation of the final LMP. The LMP will be implemented thereafter and all risks identified will be mitigated	Draft LMP prepared prior to appraisal, and final LMP will be completed prior to project effectiveness. The LMP will be implemented throughout the Project implementation.	FONERWA	Throughout the Project implementation.
ESS 10: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE				
10.1	STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN (SEP) PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION: FONERWA will engage all stakeholders in designing project activities in all components that include (i) Identification, design, and operationalization of non-grant financial instruments and institutional strengthening, (ii) Preparation of flagship NDC projects, and (iii) Project management and knowledge exchange The stakeholders include, World Bank, Ministry of Education, Civil society organizations, Ministry of Agriculture, Gicumbi District local leaders, beneficiaries of CAF pilot subprojects, GCF, Local	Throughout the various stages of the Project's life cycle, from design phase of the project through to actual implementation of designed projects and financing instruments	FONERWA,	Throughout Project implementation.

	<p>communities and cooperatives, The private sector federation, Rwanda Development Board (RDB), Ministry of Finance (MINECOFIN), Business Development Fund (BDF), UNDP, Ministry of Environment (MoE), Rwanda Transport Development Agency (RTDA), Rwanda Energy Group (REG), Local NGOs and Civil society organizations, Ministry of Infrastructure (MININFRA), Ministry in Charge of Emergency Management (MINEMA), Water and Sanitation Corporation (WASC), Rwanda Environment Management Authority (REMA), City of Kigali (CoK), Local Government including district officials from, Burera, Nyabihu, Rubavu and Musanze districts.</p> <p>STAKEHOLDERS ENGAGEMENT METHODS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FONERWA will use different engagement methods including one-on-one meetings, formal meetings, focus group meetings, print media and radio announcements, workshops, websites, public meetings, correspondences (Phone, Emails, text messages). • FONERWA will report on the results of the stakeholders engagements in the regular project reports, and how these consultations have informed the design of the project components. • FONERWA will prepare the protocols for consultation of interested and relevant stakeholders, and information sharing on the types of investments and activities that are going to be funded by the project. 	<p>Quarterly reports</p> <p>After project approval</p>	<p>FONERWA</p>	

10.2	<p>PROJECT GRIEVANCE MECHANISM:</p> <p>The project involves studies, project design and development of financial instruments. Grievances redress mechanism not relevant to this type of project</p>			
Capacity Support				
Specify Training to be provided		Specify Targeted Groups and Timeframe for Delivery		Specify Training Completed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In order to manage some key project risks related to Environmental and social safeguard training on how identified risks can be addressed will be provided on both national and World Bank procurement guidelines. The training will specifically focus on the Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) that will be prepared for the piloting subprojects under the Community Adaptation Fund (CAF) to be piloted in Gicumbi and the ESCP that combines the LMP and SEP. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project Implementation Team of the NDC Deep Dive project that will oversee the overall project implementation, financial management, technical supervision and monitoring and evaluation - GCF project Implementation team (All component leads of the project in Gicumbi) - CAF coordination committees that will be created - Community Coordination Committees of Gicumbi project - Selected local authorities from Gicumbi district that supports sectors related to activities under CAF. - Selected farmers' representative/beneficiaries of CAF pilot subprojects - <p>A month prior the Project commencement</p>		