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Accessing the Tropical Forest Forever Facility (TFFF): Supporting countries to meet the eligibility criteria

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Concept Note

I. Background

The Tropical Forest Forever Facility (TFFF) that provide tropical forest countries with large-scale, continuous, performance-based finance for maintaining their forests standing. TFCs are expected to meet eligibility criteria across three dimensions to access the Facility:

A. Environmental Eligibility and Forest Monitoring

- *Appoint a satellite-based forest monitoring system to measure forest cover, deforestation, and degradation.*
- *Assess the technical compliance, transparency, and autonomy of existing forest monitoring mechanisms or identify verified third-party data sources.*
- *Establish the boundaries of tropical and subtropical moist broadleaf forest biomes, identifying significant deviations or overlaps with non-eligible areas.*
- *Define non-TFFF forest boundaries if they encompass more than 10% of national territory.*

B. Use of Payments

- *Design or strengthen public financial management mechanisms to receive and allocate TFFF payments (“Forest Payments”) in line with international best practices.*
- *Develop a Forest Payment Allocation Plan specifying policies and programs funded by TFFF resources, ensuring this supplement, rather than replace, existing public budgets.*

- *Define institutional arrangements for allocating 20% of all proceeds directly to Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLCs).*
- *Establish digital tools for transparent channeling and monitoring of TFFF funds.*

C. Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)

- *Demonstrate the existence of, or plan to establish, a national grievance and redress mechanism aligned with international standards (drawing from REDD+ and other relevant experiences).*

D. Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLCs)

- *Define modalities and institutional structures to ensure that at least 20% of Forest Payments reach IPLCs directly, following Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) principles.*
- *Promote multi-stakeholder dialogues between government officials and IPLC representatives to operationalize these allocations.*
- *Develop national governance structures for the Dedicated Financial Allocation for IPLCs (DFA-IPLC).*

*The TFFF Secretariat is developing the “**Access Support Platform**” to help countries in assessing their readiness across these areas. The platform will integrate artificial intelligence and open data to provide initial diagnostics, identify gaps, and propose tailored readiness roadmaps, thereby enhancing transparency and accelerating accession.*

II. Objectives

- *Present the TFFF access and eligibility framework and its key technical and governance dimensions.*
- *Discuss how countries can advance their readiness and compliance with environmental, financial, and institutional criteria.*
- *Highlight the role of the Access Support Platform in empowering self-assessment, transparency, and coordination.*
- *Engage governments, development partners, and Indigenous representatives to align technical assistance efforts and readiness support.*
- *Foster a collective declaration or expression of support from participating governments and partners, signaling political commitment and readiness to collaborate in advancing TFFF operationalization.*

III. Programme/Schedules of Events/Speakers

- **Opening Remarks (5 min):** Government of Brazil / Ministry of Environment and Climate Change
- **Presentation (15 min):** Overview of the TFFF access process and readiness criteria by the Government of Brazil / TFFF Secretariat
- **Panel Discussion (15 min):** Perspectives from forest countries and partners on implementing the eligibility framework. Representative from DRC and Colombia (tbc)
- **Interactive Dialogue & Draft Declaration (40 min):** Open discussion
- **Closing (15 min):** Next steps for engagement and operationalization, including a potential communiqué in support of the Access Platform by countries and partners

IV. Expected main messages

- 1) **Clear pathway to access TFFF.** The Facility offers large-scale, predictable, performance-based Forest Payments, with a transparent access framework across four pillar-environmental monitoring, use of payments/PFM, GRM, and IPLC allocations so eligible tropical forest countries can confidently progress from readiness to disbursement.
- 2) **Readiness is actionable now.** The new **Access Support Platform** enables governments to run rapid self-assessments, identify gaps, and generate tailored readiness roadmaps; partners are invited to align technical assistance behind these diagnostics to accelerate compliance and operationalization.

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