

AFRICA LEDS PARTNERSHIP

(formerly Africa Climate and Development Society – ACD-Soc)

WORKING TOWARDS CLIMATE RESILIENT LOW EMISSION DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA

BACKGROUND

The Low Emission Development Strategies (LEDS) Global Partnership is a partnership of more than 120 countries and international programs that enhances coordination, information exchange, and cooperation to advance climate-resilient low emission growth. The work of the LEDS GP is carried out by regional platforms that provide convening and coordination services across programs, countries and LEDS leaders in their respective regions. Across Africa, there is a growing interest in climate resilient and low emission development strategies. Individuals from across the continent are expanding the frontier of knowledge in bringing together the climate change and development challenges. The LEDS GP seeks to develop a regional platform for collaboration on climate resilient, low emission development across Africa, building on the work of the Africa Climate and Development Society, which was launched in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia in October 2012. To this end, the LEDS GP will convene an initial meeting on April 1, 2014 in Kinshasa, DRC.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Africa LEDS Partnership are to:

- Promote peer learning and collaboration on LEDS topics across Africa and other regions
- Enhance capacity for LEDS development and implementation in Africa
- Serve as a hub for country governments, international institutions and practitioners working on LEDS to coordinate activities in Africa, access resources and learn from one another
- Support and cultivate LEDS champions across Africa

PRIORITY TOPICS

The Africa LEDS Partnership conducted an initial priority mapping process with its members and potential members and identified the following as priority sectors to focus, which will be reviewed and refined in Kinshasa, DRC in April, 2014. These include work in:

1) Agriculture; 2) Energy and Infrastructure; 3) Financing; 4) Benefits Assessment and Communication; 5) GHG Inventories, National Communications and MRV; 6) Policy and Institutional arrangements for Climate Resilient Low Emission Development; 7) Integrating climate resilience and LEDS.

JOIN US!

The Africa LEDS Partnership is open to Governments, organizations and individuals working on LEDS. For more information please visit <http://ledsgp.org/AfricaLEDS>. To join the Partnership, please visit <http://ledsgp.org/join>

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