



**CI's policy  
engagement on  
Climate Change  
negotiations and  
implementation**

# International negotiations on Climate Change

Conservation International (CI) is focusing its expertise of nearly 25 years of experience in science, policy, markets, finance and field activities to advance five *critical climate change solutions*:

## **REDD+**

- Support global progress towards zero deforestation by demonstrating that REDD+ is achievable in practice.

## **Ecosystem-based adaptation**

- Demonstrate how intact ecosystems allow people and natural communities to better survive environmental shocks and adapt to climate change.

## **Climate policy**

- Advance a global climate agreement that sets ambitious emission reduction targets and provides a robust framework and committed financing for mitigation and adaptation.

## **Climate-friendly land use**

- Enhance carbon storage on land—above and below ground—by promoting the adoption of agricultural practices that contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation.

## **Blue carbon**

- Leverage “blue carbon”—the carbon stored in coastal and marine ecosystems—to enhance climate change mitigation efforts and secure the conservation of marine ecosystems.

# Supporting International negotiations on Climate Change

## UNFCCC process

- Preparing submissions and “position papers” to highlight our views on specific issues and work with partners in advancing negotiations (in some cases jointly with other NGO’s) on key issues (REDD+ scope, Scale and Reference levels, Financing options) and build “momentum” among different stakeholders
- Particular attention provided to elements that are cross-linked with other relevant global frameworks (i.e. REDD+, adaptation, freshwater, CBD Strategic Framework and Program of Work, UNFF, UNCCD, etc.) and that are key for supporting the advance of countries towards green economies.
- Following up and providing input to other UNFCCC related processes REDD+ Partnership, Adaptation Partnership, FCPF, UN-REDD (comments and recommendations to the programs of work, participation in open meetings)

# Supporting countries on Climate Change International negotiations

## UNFCCC process:

- Providing technical advice and supporting preparation to international negotiations (meetings, seminars and workshops with national delegates or specific teams, i.e. REDD+)
- Preparing informative documents on current status of negotiations
- Providing direct support and advice to country delegations (as members of delegations in many cases) on the negotiation process (advances in different discussions, explaining other Parties positions, facilitating direct dialogue among country delegates and other stakeholders)
- Participating in the implementation of outcomes deriving from the UNFCCC negotiations (REDD+ readiness in Costa Rica, Indonesia, Peru, etc., Climate change and low carbon development strategies in Chiapas and Costa Rica) as well as promoting stakeholders involvement.

# Climate policy objectives and challenges

Continued Support to advance UNFCCC negotiations that put world on track for comprehensive post-2012 climate agreement(s).

Support detailed decisions (both policy and technical) on *REDD+* and related areas that are implementable AND environmentally and socially sound.

· Clear guidance on developing reference levels, MRV of carbon, monitoring and implementing safeguards, interim, subnational accounting, Measures that ensure adequate incentives for high forest, low deforestation countries, Establishment of diverse funding mechanisms, including markets and public funding

Support detailed decisions (both policy and technical) on *adaptation* that enable immediate implementation.

Immediate mobilization of funding and implementation of REDD+ through Interim REDD+ Partnership, FCPF, UNREDD, FIP, bilateral and other mechanisms

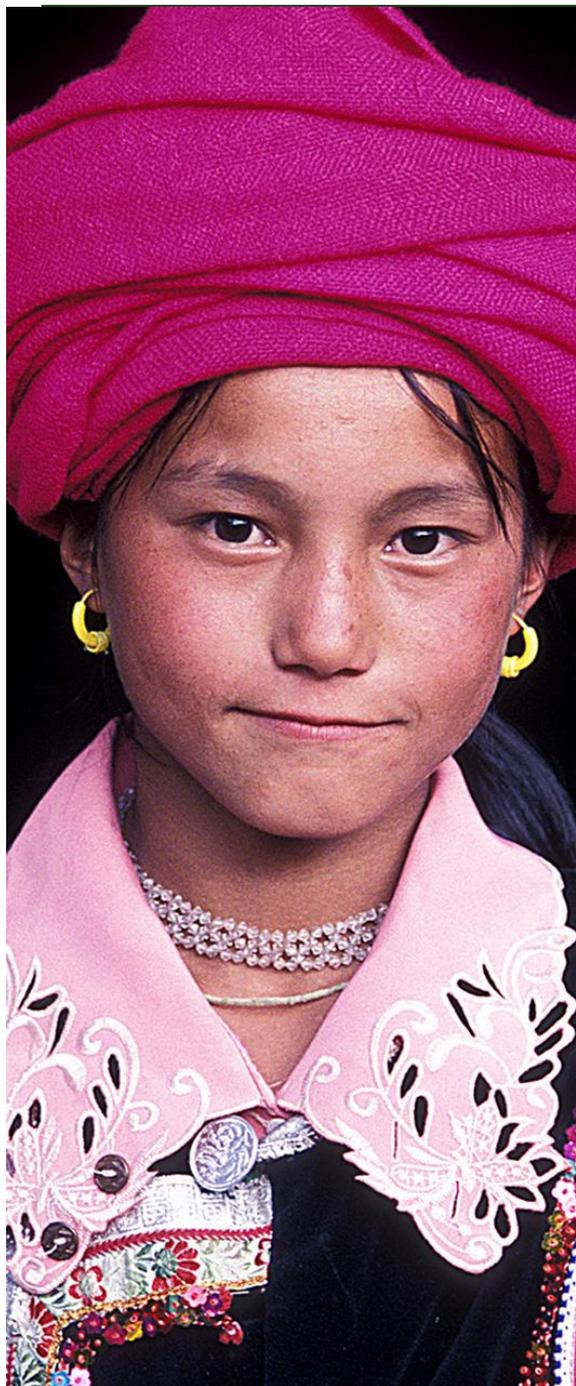
Immediate mobilization of funding and implementation adaptation efforts through interim funding mechanisms including the UNFCCC LDCF, WB PPCR, KP Adaptation Fund, the Adaptation Partnership, bilateral and other mechanisms.

Need to maintain momentum in developing countries and willingness to increase their efforts on climate change

Demonstrate to national governments how REDD+ and Ecosystem-based Adaptation can be included as part of an integrated climate/development strategy (Pilot exercise in Costa Rica)

Track international policy dialogue regarding agriculture and mitigation in order to determine priorities for CI programs and potential future foci for policy efforts.

Track international policy on freshwater, marine, and agriculture in relation to adaptation in order to determine priorities for CI programs



Thanks