



## DECISION OF THE CAFI EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

### Gabon – Approval of programmes

**EB.2020.05**

**Adopted on 08 May 2020**

Whereas;

- CAFI signed a letter of intent with the Government of Gabon on June 27, 2017, and addenda in 2019 and 2020; whose main objective is to prevent the conversion and degradation of high carbon stock and high conservation value forests
- The Executive Board in its decision [EB.2019.15](#) called on the CAFI Secretariat to launch a Call for Expression of Interest to develop programmes on forest certification, creation of transboundary protected areas, land use optimization and the development of an investment plan;
- The Government of Gabon, together with the French Development Agency (AFD) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), presented programme documents for funding of the above-mentioned areas according to the EB decision [EB.2019.19](#);
- The programme documents were submitted to independent review as per the Terms of Reference of the CAFI Trust Fund;
- The Executive Board reviewed the programme documents, the results of the independent review and the Government's responses to the independent review and it requested the submission of a revised project document.

#### **The Executive Board:**

- Received a revised proposal by UNDP and Gabon on 24 April 2020. The proposal included, as requested in [EB.2020.02](#), a strengthened results framework and theory of change, description of linkages between this programme and the land use planning programme under "CAFI 1", and details on the needs in expertise to help Gabon comply with requirements of RBP agreements;
- Approves a total of 5'000'000 USD for UNDP's programme on "Protected Area Expansion and Land-use Optimization for Food Crop Production in Gabon";
- Approves the programme document above and requests the CAFI Secretariat to submit it to the MPTF-O for fund transfer