



TFA 2020 Africa Palm Oil Initiative

Tropical Forest Alliance 2020 Africa Palm Oil Initiative (APOI)

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TFA2020 APO1 Overview

- The linkage between agriculture and deforestation is well known: estimated that, worldwide, agriculture is responsible for between 53 per cent and 80 per cent of total deforestation (Brack et al., 2016)
- The three most significant commodities including palm oil, accounted for an estimated 76 per cent of the deforestation associated with agriculture in 1990–2008.

Tropical Forest Alliance 2020

- Goal: PPP supported by CSOs to reduce tropical deforestation related to key agricultural commodities by 2020.
- No Deforestation commitment - New York Declaration -Sept 2014.Endorsed by more than 150 organisations and govts + 40 companies
 - Commitment included Halve global forest loss by 2020, end natural forest loss by 2030. Remove forest loss from commercial supply chains by 2020.
 - Partners include govts of the US, UK, Norway, Netherlands , Liberia, Ghana + CSOs
- Global –SE Asia, Latin America, Africa
- Commodities: Soy, Beef, Pulp & Paper, Palm Oil

TFA2020 Africa Palm Oil Initiative – Overview

“Transitioning the palm oil sector in Africa to a driver of low carbon, sustainable development in the region”

TFA’s vision is for a prosperous palm oil industry which brings jobs and wealth to local communities but which is environmentally and socially sustainable and protects the rich tropical forest of the region.



Find out more [here](http://www.tfa2020.org).



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TFA 2020 Action Plan on Oil Palm Development in Africa



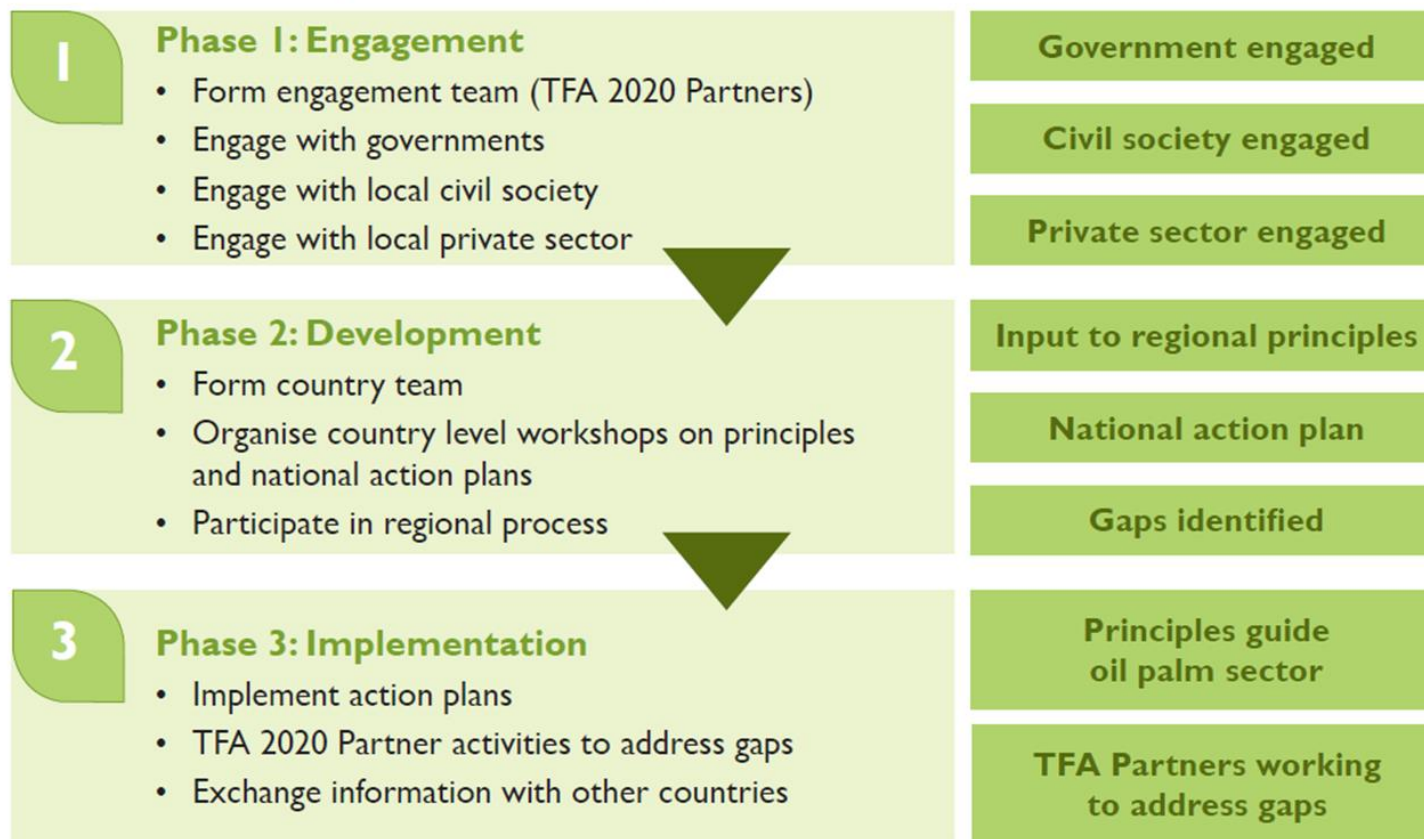
The Tropical Forest Alliance 2020 (TFA 2020) is a Public-Private Partnership which has as its principal goal to reduce tropical deforestation across the globe. Its focus is on agricultural commodities like palm oil, soy, paper and beef products which drive over 50% of such deforestation. Members of the TFA 2020 include the 400 companies of the Consumer Goods Forum (including Walmart, Tesco, Nestle, Unilever and Colgate), the governments of the Indonesia, Liberia, Netherlands, Norway, UK and USA and a growing number of environmental and social NGOs. For more information see www.tfa2020.com.

The initial focus of the TFA 2020's activities has been Southeast Asia and the Amazon basin, regions which have had high rates of deforestation over the last three decades. The group would now like to turn its attention to forested countries in Africa where historical deforestation rates have been low but where, more recently, major palm oil companies have begun processes to secure land or have already established plantations on a large scale.

The palm oil industry, both producers and purchasers, would like to learn from experience in Indonesia and Malaysia – building on the successes but also avoiding the mistakes. Accordingly they are proposing to work together with governments and civil society in west and central Africa to agree on a set of principles to govern how palm oil will be produced in the region in the coming decades.

Our vision is a prosperous palm oil industry which brings jobs and wealth to local communities but which is environmentally and socially sustainable and protects the rich tropical forests of the region. The goal of the initiative is to develop a framework that takes account of the ambitious development plans of countries in Africa, while addressing both environmental targets for reduced deforestation, land use and greenhouse gases, and also social indicators on issues such as land tenure and the rights of indigenous peoples.

TFA2020 APOI Process

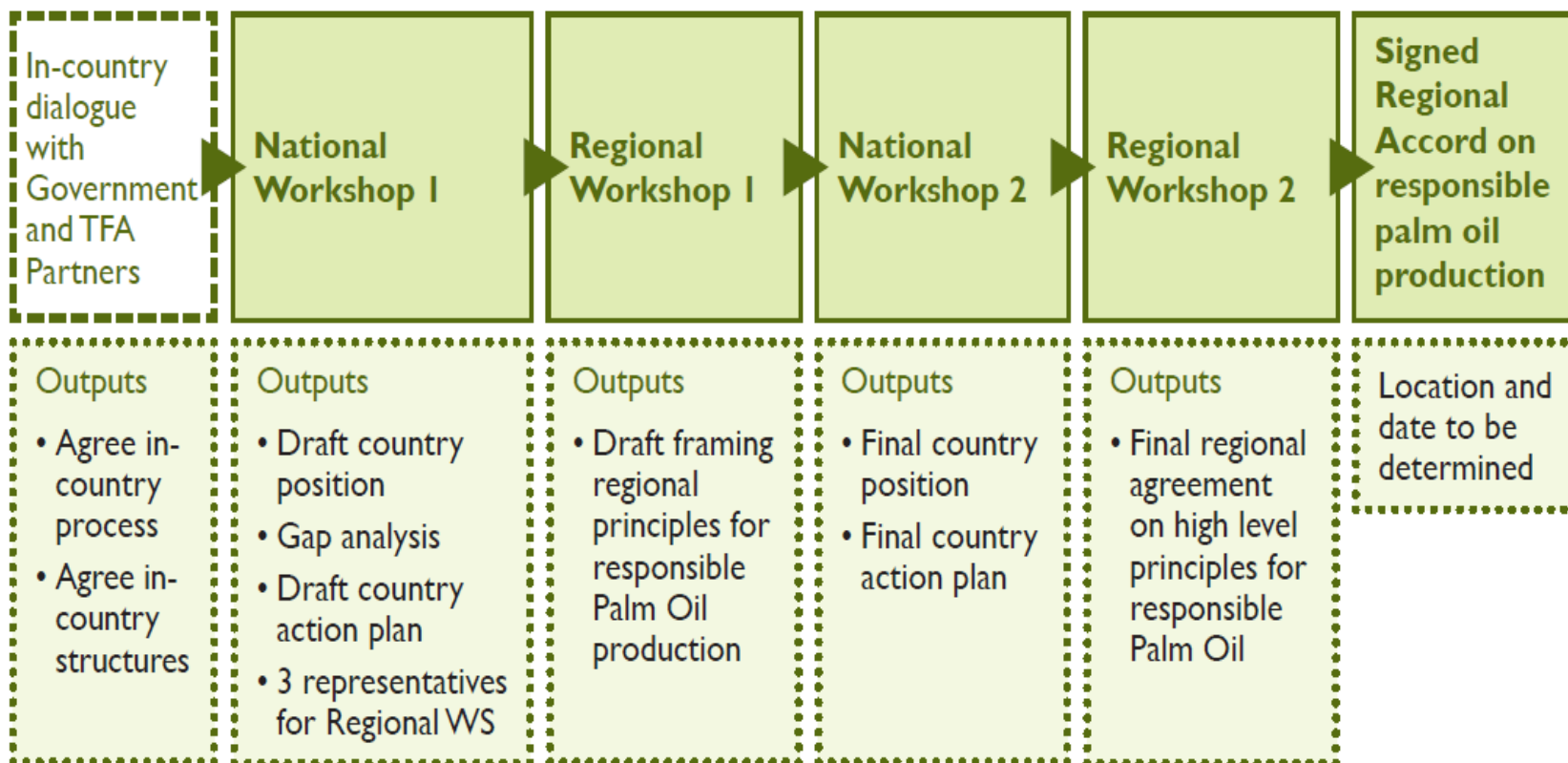


Engaged Countries

Ten countries are currently engaged in the Africa Palm Oil Initiative at different stages in the process.

- Engagement Phase: Nigeria. Cameroon. Gabon.
Republic of Congo (ROC). Central African Republic (CAR).
- Development Phase: Sierra Leone. Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)
- Implementation Phase: Ghana. Cote d'Ivoire. Liberia.

Phase series of workshops



TFA2020 APOI Processes

- 10 Country Core Teams (Government. Private Sector. Civil Society.)
- 8 Country Workshops
- 2 Regional Workshops
- 1 Tropical Forest Alliance 2020 Marrakesh Declaration (for Sustainable Development of the Oil Palm Sector in Africa. Signed at COP 22)
- 1 Geneva Dialogue



Tropical Forest Alliance 2020 Marrakesh Declaration for Sustainable Development of the Oil Palm Sector in Africa

Preamble

Recognising the shared vision for a prosperous oil palm sector in the region that brings jobs and wealth to local communities but which is environmentally and socially sustainable and protects Africa's rich tropical forests;

Noting the importance of the oil palm sector in economic development and in contributing to addressing rural poverty;

Emphasising the critical role of forests and forest conservation in addressing climate change;

Acknowledging the role of agricultural commodity development as a driver of deforestation;

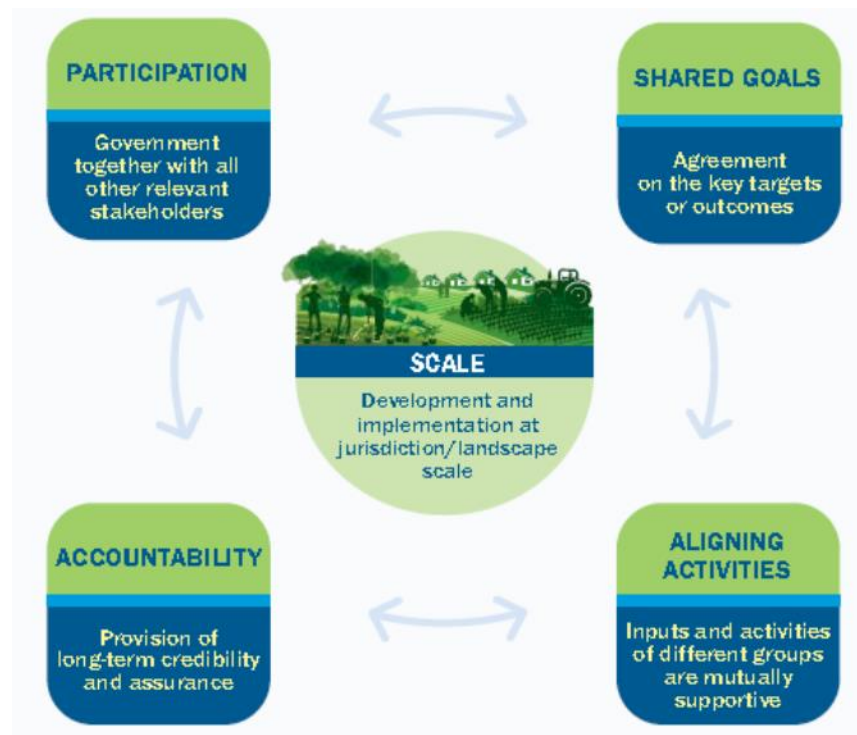
Understanding the importance of public-private partnerships in sustainable economic development;

Conscious of the need to promote, foster and accelerate the economic and social development of African countries in order to improve the living standards of our peoples and ensure food security and nutrition;

Considering the relevant international and regional treaties and conventions that the signatories have ratified and reaffirming the need to deliver on the promise of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Next Steps

- Working towards a enabling environment* in participating countries of West and Central Africa; public and private sectors in leading countries increasingly putting national principles into practice
 - National Workshops
 - Regional Workshops
 - National Oil Palm Platform



* Proforest Responsible Production and Sourcing Briefings 01: Introduction to landscape or jurisdictional initiatives in commodity agriculture.



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Thank you!

