



Policy Influencing Plan for Domestication of Forest and Landscape Restoration in Kenya

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WHAT IS A PIP?

A Policy Influencing Plan (PIP) is a step-wise process to be used by groups, networks or policy actors that aims to achieve a policy objective to address a problem or set of issues identified beforehand by stakeholders.

WHY A PIP?

To package and present the rationale for bio enterprise-driven forest and landscape restoration (FLR) to guide informed decision-making at national and county level by policymakers, implementers, policy-beneficiaries and influencers.

INFLUENCE ACTION FOCUS

- Strengthen Governance systems and structures for Forest and Landscape Restoration Implementation Action Plan (FOLAREP);
- establishment of inter-agency and partnerships to strengthen coordinated FLR-based action at landscape scale;
- awareness and public education on FLR approach;
- capacity development for streamlined market driven investment in bioenterprises for restoration of degraded forests and landscapes with multiple benefits to the landscape and people.



BIOENTERPRISES-DRIVEN SUSTAINABLE FOREST AND LANDSCAPE RESTORATION

The following key stakeholders were consulted: policymakers, community members, civil society organizations, international non-governmental organizations, the private sector in Marsabit, Isiolo and Laikipia counties, senior officials of national government Ministries (Environment and Forestry, Agriculture, Industrialization, Trade and Cooperatives, Water, Interior and Coordination of National Government) and State corporations like National Environment Management Authority, Kenya Forest Service, Water Resources Management Authority and Kenya Forest Research Institute.

Conclusions

Internal policy implementation challenges should be addressed through PIP as an enabling foundation for impactful restoration in order to help Kenya meet the Bonn Challenge and the African Forest Landscape Restoration Initiative commitments while achieving the national overarching Vision 2030.

Recommendations

- Strengthening of governance systems and structures at county level;
- capacity development in landscape restoration and PIP;
- extensive promotion of sustainable bio-enterprises approach through the development of micro, small and medium sized businesses anchored on well developed markets and marketing systems.

