

CAFI Executive Board Decision

Cameroon: Selection of *Centre Technique de la Forêt Communale du Cameroun* to support decentralized local governments

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Considering:

- The milestones of the letter of intent between CAFI and the Republic of Cameroon.
- Cameroon's national roadmap for political and financial mobilization and the deployment of Payments for Environmental Services developed during the International interministerial conference on the deployment of payments for environmental services in Central Africa, which took place in Kinshasa, from 27 to 29th of January 2025.
- The technical analysis of the Secretariat and its recommendations.
- The requests for technical assistance submitted by the Cocoa and Coffee Development Fund and the Ministry of Economy, Planning, and Regional Development of Cameroon to the UNOPS technical assistance facility.

The Executive Board,

- 1. <u>Invites</u> the *Centre Technique de la Forêt Communale du Cameroun (CTFC)* to provide support to the Cocoa and Coffee Development Fund to support Communes (decentralized local governments) and their partner cooperatives and local farmer organizations in the operationalisation of the "Guichet Collectivités, qualité et transition agroécologique" for an amount of up to USD 407,500.
- 2. Requests that UNOPs provide financial support to CTFC in line with the requirements and procedures of the UNOPs regional technical assistance facility project approved by CAFI.
- <u>3.</u> Requests that the Secretariat work together with UNOPs to prepare the terms of reference for the support that CTFC will provide to the Communes (decentralized local governments), ensuring that the process will bring together diverse stakeholders.
- 4. Recalls that studies and the design of national programmes such as the "Guichet Collectivités, qualité

et transition agroécologique" should place strong emphasis on (i) gender equality and social inclusion, including in terms of sex-disaggregated data, impact and how the project will support development objectives (ii) human rights and non-discrimination, (iii) conflict prevention and resolution, in particular with regards to land tenure, (iv) monitoring and learning, while ensuring strong alignment with the CAFI results framework and the CAFI Letters of Intent, (v) analysis of the link with forest conservation, (vi) analysis of opportunities for scale-up and means to achieve them, (vii) analysis of risks, including risks of corruption and conflicts of interest, as well as the stakeholders likely to gain or lose as a result of the initiative.