Cameroun: Selection of the Implementing Agency for the Implementation of the “Grand Mbam Integrated Landscape Project”

Adopted by e-mail on 08 August 2023

EB.2023.18

Considering:

- Decision EB.2023.08 approving the Call for Expressions of Interest for the Implementation of the Grand Mbam Integrated Landscape Project (2023/01/CMR);
- The Call for expression of interest (2023/01/CMR), which took place from May 26th to June 23rd 2023, which was widely advertised and for which an information session was held online on June 8th 2023;
- The complete expressions of interests received from eligible organisations; and
- The technical analysis report prepared by the Secretariat and its recommendations.

Recalling:

- That the present decision is subject to the non-objection of the Minister of Economy, Planning and Land-use (MINEPAT).

The Executive Board,

1. Approves the selection of the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW), as the Implementing Agency for the “Grand Mbam Integrated Landscape Programme.”

2. Requests KfW to develop a project document for the “Grand Mbam Integrated Landscape Project.” for a duration of 3 to 5 years and for a budget of up to 20 million USD.

3. Encourages KfW, in coordination with MINEPAT and the Secretariat to open discussions with potential partners that have made competing expressions of interest and may offer substantial added value to the project, in particular IDH, EFI, CED, CIFOR, CIRAD and IITA.

4. Recalls that feasibility studies and the design of projects and programmes should place strong emphasis on (i) gender inclusion, including in terms of sex-disaggregated data, (ii) human rights and non-discrimination, (iii) conflict prevention and resolution, in particular with regard to land tenure, (iv) monitoring and learning, while ensuring strong alignment with the CAFI results framework, (v) analysis of the link with forest conservation, (vi) analysis of opportunities for scale-up and means to
achieve them, (vii) analysis of risks of corruption and conflicts of interest, as well as the stakeholders likely to gain or lose as a result of the initiative.

5. **Reiterates** that the present decision does not represent a funding allocation decision. Funding will be approved based on agency submissions and according to the Terms of Reference of the Trust Fund.