IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FOREST INSTRUMENT NICARAGUA

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## The framework for implementing the Forest Instrument

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4 Develop and implement policies that encourage goods and services that contribute to poverty reduction

- The monitoring system of the Forest Instrument has been integrated to the public policies (PRORURAL)

- The Forest Instrument has contributed to the strengthening of the National Forest Commission (CONAFOR)

8 Create an enabling environment to encourage private sector investment, local and indigenous communities for the sustainable management

- Capacity building has been carried out at the technical level of the forest sector
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9 Develop effective financial strategies for sustainable forest management

- The relationship and coordination between forestry activities and the financial sector have been improved

- Exchange of lessons learnt at the regional level between public and private financing institutions
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11 Define and implement measures to intensify inter-sectional cooperation and coordination of the policies and programmes among the sectors

- The synergies between the forest sector and other productive sectors, especially livestock sector, have been promoted, something that has contributed to the strengthening of intersectoriality at the national level.

- The Forest Instrument has contributed to the achievement of the institutionalism of the NLBI.
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25 Enhance access by households and local communities to markets and income diversification

The Forest Instrument has supported the productive development in the Caribbean coast of Nicaragua, which aims at increasing the local production, contributing to the food security and poverty reduction of the families and communities in the area.
General added value of implementing the Forest Instrument

- The local and national workshops have enabled the evaluation of Nicaragua’s progress in relation to the 25 policies and measures at the national level.
- Information has been shared about the Forest Instrument at all levels.
- Nicaragua has provided standardized information on the accomplishment of the criteria and indicators established by the UNFF (National Report for the UNFF 10).
Could be! But...

- The Forest Instrument has complemented and strengthened political processes at national level; there is political will.

- The strengthening of the relationship between financial and forest sectors would have taken more time in the absence of the Forest Instrument.

- The need for technical assistance by the financial sector and the economical resources has been very fundamental in the process.

- The Nicaraguan Government is promoting the integration of forest sector into other sectors. However, the process would take more time without the Forest Instrument.
1. The Forest Management Plans have been recognized as a financial guarantee required to obtain a loan from the State Bank.

2. The Forest Instrument has promoted the establishment of value chains in the financial sector.

3. The access of small producers to financing for forest activities has been improved.

4. The Forest Instrument has contributed to the awareness-building throughout the financial sector and SFM has become a viable economic activity.
1. In order to succeed in the implementation of the NLBI, it is essential that there is political openness and will at the country level.

2. It is important that there is a tight relationship between the counterpart and the implementing agency of the Forest Instrument.

3. It is essential to identify actions that have real impact both at and the national and local level.

4. It is also of a great importance to optimize human and financial resources.
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