



## INNOVATIVE TOOLS TO LOWER THE ENTRY BARRIERS AND ALLOW FOR SCALING-UP OF CARBON MARKET ACTIVITIES IN UNDER-REPRESENTED REGIONS

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The project has identified and removed barriers preventing the implementation of Programme of Activities within the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM-PoAs) in the target regions. Through seminars and publications, it transferred the necessary expertise for realising these climate projects to local project developers and Designated National Authorities (DNAs). The consortium was able to develop special methods of making typical small projects in the regions attractive for the CDM. Capacities of the DNAs and consultants were strengthened so as to achieve uniform quality standards. In addition, project developers' entrepreneurial skills were enhanced in areas such as carrying out cost-benefit analyses and developing business plans for Gold Standard CDM projects. Contact information for external experts was recorded in a database, which can help in validating and verifying small projects. The Gold Standard Foundation prepared reports, fact sheets and case studies together with actors such as the African Carbon Asset Development Facility (ACAD), the Carbon Markets & Investors Association (CMIA) and the Project Developers Forum in order to disseminate the necessary technical knowledge.

### State of implementation/results

- Project completed
- The project contributed to a rise of registered CDM-PoAs with high quality standards in structurally weak regions, especially Least Developed Countries, which consolidated these actors to participate at carbon markets
- The project developed methods for a "Suppressed Demand" approach, that incorporates suppressed basic demands and the connected energy consumption in the baseline respectively the reference scenario for emission savings. Thereby other projects for climate protection can be realized that focus on the situation of private

## PROJECT DATA

### Implementing organisation:

The Gold Standard Foundation

### Political partner(s):

- Diverse climate change relevant institutions in the respective partner countries/Diverse klimarelevante Institutionen in den entsprechenden Partnerländern

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- South Pole Carbon
- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

### BMU grant:

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### Website(s):

<http://www.goldstandard.org/>





households.

- Training and online-workshops were conducted for the implementation of the developed methods.
- A 'Sustainable Development Accreditation' scheme was introduced for securing not only the mitigation of greenhouse gases but also to accomplish a positive outcome for the environment and the social situation. 25 independent auditors were trained for this purpose.
- The developed instruments for a cost-benefit analysis guarantee the cost effectiveness of all activities during the project cycle. Gold Standard discussed the instruments with project developers at workshops (Kigali, 2012) and tested the application.

