FROM THE TREE OF PRACTICES TO THE FOREST OF KNOWLEDGE

A guide to identifying, capturing, sharing and communicating REDD+ Inspiring Practices

TOOL 4
FOCUS GROUP

PURPOSE
Through this exercise, a group can talk in a friendly, spontaneous atmosphere and can share detailed information about a REDD+ project in a relatively short amount of time.

DESCRIPTION
People who share certain common characteristics (for example, women or young people from a community) come together to converse about a defined REDD+ project or practice. A moderator is responsible for guiding the conversation through questions.

Sample questions may include:
- How and why are/were you participating in this project?
- What are the resulting changes? (in the environment, in everyday life)
- What aspects of the project do you like the most? What aspects do you dislike?
- What challenges did you face during your participation?
- Would you recommend this practice to other groups? What changes would you introduce to improve the practice?

PARTICIPANTS
- Group of people with common characteristics (women, youth, etc.)
- Moderator

WHEN TO USE IT
When there is a need to gather opinions from specific groups of stakeholders

REQUIRED MATERIALS
- Adequate space for a group conversation
- Voice recorder