

## Reduced Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation in Developing Countries: Risks and Opportunities

途上国における森林減少・劣化からの温室効果ガス排出削減 (REDD): リスクとチャンス

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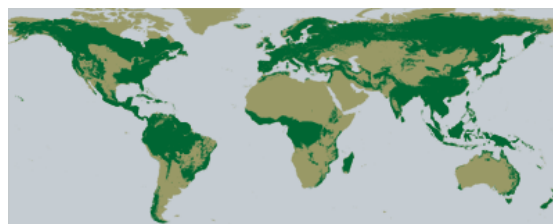
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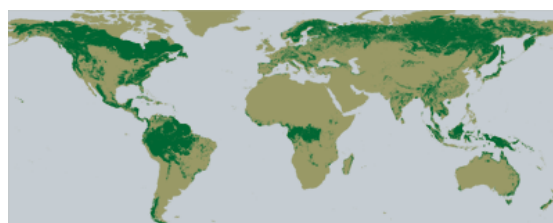


## Forest realities 世界の森林の実態

- Almost half of Earth's original forest cover gone, much of it destroyed within past three decades (WRI 1997 )
- “deforestation continues at an alarming rate” (FAO 2005): 2000–2005, +/-13 million hectares lost each year (**over one 3<sup>rd</sup> of land area of Japan**)
- In Asia Pacific, only 15% of production forest and 7.2% of protection forests sustainably managed (ITTO 2006)



Original forest cover



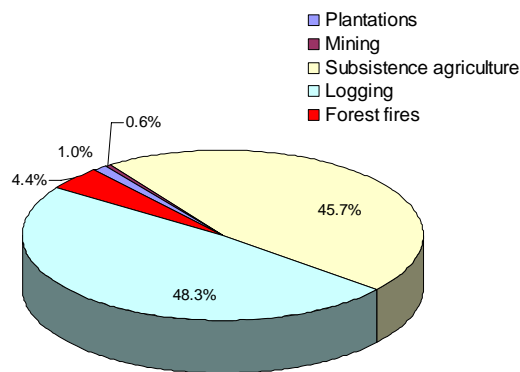
Remaining frontier forest (WRI 1997)

## Drivers of deforestation and forest degradation 森林の減少及び劣化の原因

- Agricultural expansion combined with wood extraction and infrastructure development most common combination of factors (Geist and Lambin 2002)



Relative importance of the drivers of forest change in PNG, 1972-2002



Shearman et al. (2008)

**Illegal oil palm plantation development is primary cause of permanent rainforest loss in Indonesia and Malaysia (Nellemann et al. 2007)**

## Forest governance as key to understanding forest destruction 森林破壊を理解する鍵はガバナンスの理解

### **Observation 1: Networks of powerful actors organise to destroy forests**

- lack of transparency in allocation of forest rights
- lack of compliance with forest laws in forestry operations
- illegal logging and land clearance

### **Observation 2: Globally 1.6 billion people rely significantly on forests for their livelihoods, but many of their voices not heard in policy making/implementation**

- insecure tenure
- criminalisation of traditional livelihoods
- inadequate policy support
- illegal logging and land clearance
- conflict
- lack of respect for forest law and forest authorities

### Industrial-scale forestry (the powerful)



### Community-scale forestry (the weak)

## Forests and climate change 森林と気候変動



- Forest destruction impacts climate change
  - Deforestation 2nd largest anthropogenic source of CO<sub>2</sub> (20% of emissions)
  - Most LULUCF emissions from tropical developing countries
- **Annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, peat lands, Indonesia 3 times > total emissions of Germany (Wetlands International 2006)**
- Climate change impacts forest
  - Biodiversity loss
  - Increased susceptibility to fires and pests
- Forests critical for adaptation

## enter REDD . . . REDDの登場

- **Concept**
  - to provide a financial incentive to avoid emissions from forest destruction through international financial transfers connected with carbon
- **UNFCCC process**
  - Bali Action Plan: aims at agreed outcome and decision at 15<sup>th</sup> session that includes consideration of policy approaches and positive incentives on REDD
  - COP 13 REDD Decision:
    - build capacities for data collection, emissions estimates and monitoring
    - undertake demonstration activities
    - work on methodological issues, policy approaches and incentives
- **Funding**
  - World Bank Forest Carbon Partnership Facility to develop national REDD capacities and piloting (US\$ 167 million pledged by 10 countries & one INGO)
- **Events**
  - SBSTA REDD workshop on Methodological Issues Relating to REDD, 25-27 June, Tokyo, etc.

## Still a long way to go REDDを実現する道はまだ遠い

- **Must be methodologically sound**
  - Assessments of changes in forest cover, carbon stocks, GHG emissions (uncertainty vs cost)
  - Reference emission levels: (avoid rewarding bad performers and penalizing good performers)
  - Scope (deforestation only? plus degradation? forest conservation?)
  - National and sub-national approaches
- **Must be technically feasible**
  - Data availability
  - Monitoring technologies: accuracy and costs
  - Reporting and evaluation of actions



- **Must be adequately financed**
  - Market or funds or combination
  - Liability (banking of credits)
  - fungibility
- **Must be politically acceptable**

## Risks and opportunities リスクとチャンス

- **Mitigation opportunities**
    - large-scale avoidance
    - “highly cost-effective way to reduce emissions” (Stern 2006)
- carbon emissions reductions in peat lands in Central Kalimantan could be achieved for Euros 0.50/tonne (WI 2006)**
- **Mitigation risks**
    - lower incentive to invest in low carbon technology
    - methodological uncertainties could undermine trading
  - **Governance opportunities**



### Governance risks

- mostly benefit wealthy elites
- increase poverty and vulnerability of rural households by further restricting access to forests
- stakeholder conflict

**Over one billion dollars invested in development assistance to Indonesian forestry in past two decades by more than 40 donors ... forests continue to be lost (World Bank 2006)**

## Lessons for REDD from forest governance reform initiatives 森林ガバナンスを改善する取り組みからREDD実施のための教訓

- Employ **multi-stakeholder processes** to design and implement REDD
- Provide **clear and secure forest tenure** for local stakeholders
- Explore options to **mobilise rural communities to participate in REDD design and implementation**
  - Have communities **control access** to forests allocated for REDD projects
  - Have communities **measure and monitor carbon stocks**
- Locate REDD within SFM: Use **independent standards** to design and monitor demonstrations



- Explore **synergies** with ongoing initiatives to reform forest governance
  - Community-based forest management policies
  - Various efforts to combat illegal logging and the resultant timber trade (FLEG, bilateral processes, forest certification etc. )

## Low Carbon Societies: Learning from forest communities 低炭素社会:先住民や地域社会から学ぶ



Develop and use local food economies



Use renewable materials



Use carbon neutral transport



THANK YOU!