



# **GREG-FORET CAMEROON OVERVIEW AND GREAT APES CONSERVATION INTEREST**

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# GREG FORET CAMEROON MEMBERSHIP



The membership is based on individual expertise.

Members are coming from various sectors:

- Local and international NGOs
- Governmental institutions
- Private sector
- Research centers

# ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ Good dialogue with policy makers
- ✓ Functional platforms with communities Example model forest platforms
- ✓ A couple of laws initiated and approved within the past two years
- ✓ Private sector interest to support conservation
- ✓ Contribution to natural resources monitoring in Cameroon and the Congo Basin (SoF report)

# POTENTIAL ROLE FOR GREAT APES CONSERVATION



- Members come from various organizations working in conservation and development areas, GREG would rely on individual expertise and organizations' recognition.
- GREG would coordinate with other working groups or initiatives in which its members are involved (Sangha group, CARPE country team, model forest etc).
- GREG could use tool in place such as community hunting zones (about 40000 Euros yearly from 10 CHZ).
- Communication would be performed through rural radios.

## A framework for assessing conservation and development in a Congo Basin Forest Landscape

- Very little change for livelihood or conservation indicators over the period 2006 to 2008
- global economic down-turn in 2008 had **immediate** negative consequences for both local livelihoods and for biodiversity.
- Weakness of institutions, and corruption were the major obstacles to achieving either conservation or development objectives

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