

FP037 Integrated Flood Management to Enhance Climate Resilience of the Vaisigano River Catchment in Samoa, Samoa

CSO comments on the project given as intervention during the 15th GCF Board Meeting, December 2016

- We deeply appreciate the inclusive process applied to the design of this project, the close relationship the Gov of SAMOA has with SUNGO, the NGO Umbrella Platform for Samoa, and the approach to country ownership that the Govt of Samoa has applied, with the collaboration between government ministries and the NDA and the clear alignment with broader national strategic frameworks.
- We believe this project could do more to address gender issues, for instance being clear that it will ensure that the trainings to be provided under the ecosystems/livelihoods components are available to both women and men. The document is not specific how many out of expected 3000 beneficiaries for the training will be women. The expected number of women out of 750 likely to move ahead to micro-financing is also not specified)[1]
- In the promotion of enterprise and business activities we encourage that communal rather than individual approaches frame the interventions. There is great merit in working with communities to strengthen their governance and approach livelihoods from a community based adaptation angle I.e. a people and ecosystem centered adaptation approach.