

**WORKING GROUP** 

# REMOTE EXPERT ASSISTANCE ON LEDS

Connecting members with world-class experts and peers on low emission development

Do you need support with formulating or implementing your low emission development strategy (LEDS)? The LEDS Global Partnership's (LEDS GP) Remote Expert Assistance on LEDS (REAL) service can help. REAL is a global advisory network providing timely, high-quality, no-fee technical assistance to developing countries on LEDS analysis, subnational integration, linkages with climate resilience, finance, energy, transportation, and waste questions. The LEDS GP has established an international team of experts to provide objective advice, conduct reviews and brief assessments, collect data, and recommend sources of longer-term support for developing countries. Learn more about REAL at ledsgp.org/technical-assistance.

### **REAL IN ACTION**

REAL provides assistance to support development of LEDS strategies and programs on the following topics:

- Methods and tools for assessing LEDS baselines and goals, technology and policy options and pathways, and impacts
- Strategies and measures for mobilizing private and public investment in LEDS priorities
- Methods and resources for linking national and subnational governments in the LEDS process
- Approaches for integrating climate resilience and LEDS
- Understanding and communicating the impacts and benefits of LEDS
- Policies and programs for implementing climateresilient low-emission energy, waste, agriculture, forestry and other land use and transport measures.

### REQUESTING ASSISTANCE

REAL supports requests from developing country LEDS teams, including government agencies and consultants, technical institutions, and NGOs that are working directly with country governments to plan and implement their LEDS. Teams may submit multiple, successive requests, including follow-on inquiries. To submit a request:

- Become a LEDS GP Member at ledsgp.org
- Visit "Technical Assistance" at: ledsgp.org or send an email to Bethany Speer at (bethany.speer@nrel.gov).

# REAL IN ACTION

#### **EXAMPLES OF ASSISTANCE PROVIDED**

Thanh Hoa province, located in north central Vietnam, is a leader among Vietnam's provinces in promoting low emission development, or green growth. Provincial leaders are working with the private sector to become one of the first provinces in Vietnam to develop a high-quality provincial Green Growth Action Plan, in what promises to be a model document for the country. The LEDS Global Partnership (GP) has provided expert review of Thanh Hoa's Provincial Green Growth Action Plan and shared lessons learned from other countries on subnational LEDS plans and planning process.

The LEDS GP provided expert review of Kenya's Climate Change Framework Policy. Experts from 6 different institutions and governments provided valuable suggestions to strengthen Kenya's Framework for Climate Change Policy, including suggestions on strengthening M&E indicators and benefits of the policy, among others. Comments provided by the LEDS GP experts were incorporated into the revised version of the policy which was validated by the Cabinet and presented to the Parliament for approval. This policy will provide a framework for action that promotes low carbon development in Kenya and is an important milestone in the country's path for developing its economy while reducing GHG emissions.

### MEET ONE OF REAL'S EXPERTS



Scott A. Muller leads the Sustainable Cities Team at the Spatial Informatics Group (SIG-GIS). An environmental engineer and a dual citizen of Panama and the United States, Scott's background consists of practical projects for renewable energy, urban sustainability, and the valorization of ecosystem services in "social-ecological hotspots" across Latin America and Asia. His experience includes advising diverse national and municipal

governments; serving as city director for the Clinton Foundation's Climate Initiative (CCI) and C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group in Lima, Peru; and working in SME green business start-ups. In addition to his field work, he has been appointed as a technical expert with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), and the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity. Scott is one of the REAL experts available to consult on LEDS-related urbanization questions.

### **⇒**JOIN US

The LEDS GP is open to all interested parties who agree to our operating principles. There are many ways to participate in the LEDS Global Partnership. Become a member. Attend an event. Subscribe to our newsletters. Or share LEDS resources. To learn how, please visit ledsgp.org.

# The Role of the Transport Working Group in the LEDS GP

The Low Emission Development Strategies (LEDS) Global Partnership was founded in 2011 to enhance coordination, information exchange, and cooperation among countries and international programs working to advance low-emission, climate-resilient growth. The LEDS Global Partnership currently brings together LEDS leaders and practitioners from more than 160 countries and international institutions through innovative peer learning and collaboration forums and networks. For the full list of participants and more information on partnership activities, see: www.ledsgp.org | Email: secretariat@ledsgp.org.

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