

HCSA Inaugural Africa Steering Group Meeting

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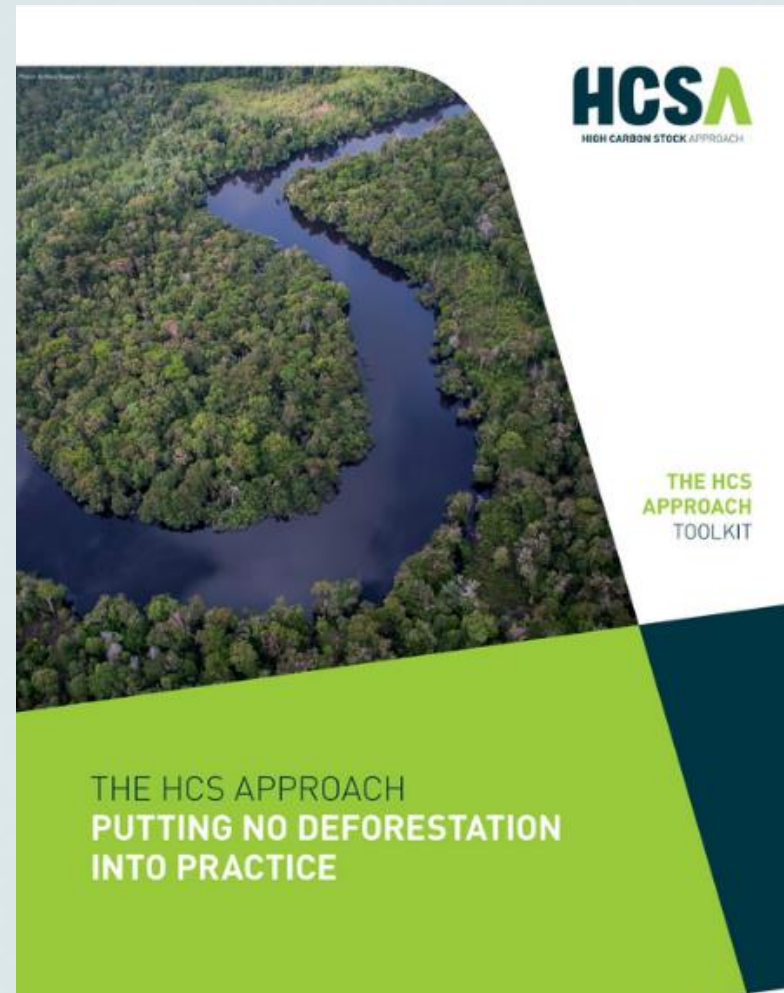
| Time | Preliminary agenda |
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| 5:00 – 5:05 | Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview of Agenda• Introductions and welcome |
| 5:05 – 5:10 | HCSA Background and Governance |
| 5:10 – 5:15 | Africa Steering Group (ASG) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Purpose & Objectives• Composition• Next Steps |
| 5:15 – 6:00 | Discussion & Wrap Up |
| 6:00 – 7:00 | HCSA SG Africa Steering Group inaugural meeting drinks & snacks |

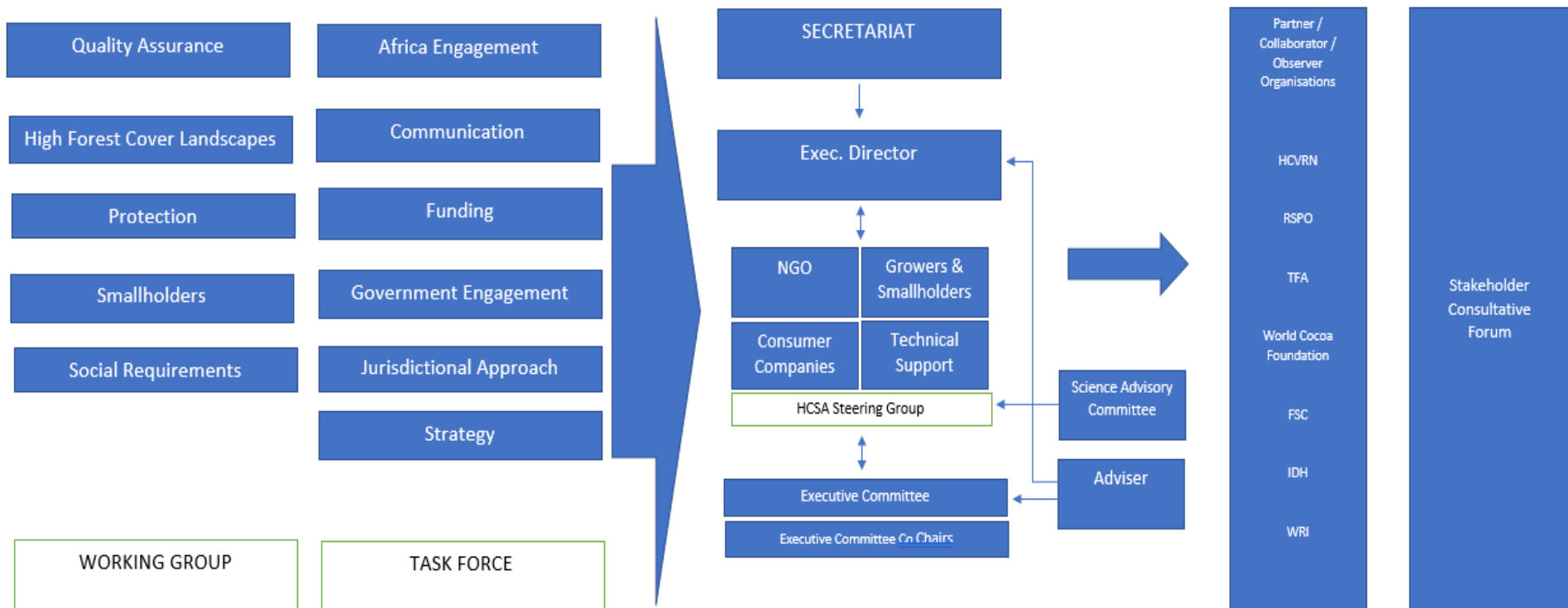
Purpose:

- To ensure there is a practical, transparent, robust, and scientifically-credible approach that is widely accepted to implement commitments to halt deforestation in the tropics while ensuring the rights, livelihoods and aspirations of local peoples are respected.

The Objective:

- The High Carbon Stock (HCS) Approach is a methodology that distinguishes forest areas for protection from degraded lands with low carbon and biodiversity values that may be developed.





- Build HCSA awareness, commitments & membership
- Provide technical HCSA implementation support
- Network & consult with key stakeholders
- Government engagement

ASG HCSA membership group:

- Committed
- Representative
- Inclusive
- Transparent

ASG potential composition:

- Core members affiliated HCSA Steering Group members
- New membership category(s), e.g., local NGOs
- Advisory expert group
- Consultative forum

Who are the HCSA African stakeholders?

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| Communities | Funders | |
| Supply Chain Actors | NGOs | |
| Governments | Technical Organisations | |

- Public statement on HCSA to the launch Africa Steering Group
- Report back of inaugural ASG meeting to HCSA Executive Committee
- Establish Terms of Reference for ASG
- Confirm ASG members and stakeholders

