**STEPS**

1. Understand steps to access

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The FCPF's governing body reviews and assesses Readiness Plans, and decides on the allocation of FCPF grants to countries. Readiness activities must involve a high degree of consultation with civil society and indigenous peoples organizations. It is critical that governments set up participatory mechanisms to ensure that they are meaningfully consulted during the formulation and implementation of Readiness Plans and REDD+ Strategies, and that they benefit from capacity building and future financial incentives.

Read more about the process guidelines for accessing the FCPF Readiness Fund [here](#).

Actions: Readiness support accessed in consultation with key stakeholders.
2 Submit a readiness proposal

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Find requirements and guidance for accessing readiness support [here](#).

Actions: Readiness Plan submitted.

Actors: Eligible country; FMT