

Community Activation (Tier 1): Criteria and Certification

How a council, division or federated diaspora network declares itself active — from Section 13.6 of the blueprint.

Activation is a ladder, and no rung waits for permission from above. Tier 0 is preparation — the Readiness Doctrine: plans drafted, cooperatives registered, skills trained, land documented. Tier 1 is the rung above it: the point at which a prepared community stops waiting and starts implementing, under existing law and its own authority.

The three verifiable criteria

Any council, division or federated diaspora network that meets three verifiable criteria may declare itself active:

- 1. A validated community development plan.** Drafted with the community and validated in open meetings (the template in this resource pack, from Appendix A, gives the format).
- 2. A registered cooperative with audited accounts.** Registered under the OHADA Uniform Act on cooperative societies, with accounts an independent third party has audited.
- 3. Secured seed financing through the pre-trigger vehicles of Chapter 12.** Cooperative citizen equity, the Diaspora Readiness Fund, or matched readiness grants — each built on one design rule: verification before release.

What an active community implements

An active community implements the bounded local version of the blueprint — value-addition ventures, land documentation, micro-grids, readiness scorecards — under existing law and its own authority. Communities climbing today are certified and supported by the Imagining Cameroon Trust, which publishes every certification and every release of pre-trigger funds on a public ledger. When a third of a region's councils, or any five divisions, reach Tier 1, regional coordination (Tier 2) begins.

Tier 1 Certification Request Form

Complete this form and submit it to the Imagining Cameroon Trust via imaginingcameroon.org, with the evidence for each criterion attached.

Community name: _____

Council / Division: _____

Region: _____

Contact person (name and role): _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Evidence attached (tick to confirm each attachment):

- ☐ **Criterion 1:** Validated community development plan, with the signed record of community validation.
- ☐ **Criterion 2:** Cooperative registration certificate (OHADA Uniform Act) and the most recent audited accounts.
- ☐ **Criterion 3:** Proof of secured seed financing through a pre-trigger vehicle (share register, escrow or fund statement, or matched-grant certification).

Declaration

We declare that this community meets the three readiness criteria of Section 13.6 and is implementing the blueprint's bounded local version under existing law. The evidence attached is true and complete, and we consent to its verification and to publication of the certification on the Trust's public ledger.

Name: _____

Role / Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Second signatory (name): _____

Role / Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____