**Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme**

**Meeting Minutes of 17 Jan 2017 DRAFT**

**14h00 Geneva/Rome**

**Attendance:**

MG members and alternates

FAO: Tiina Vahanen & Margo BuszkoBriggs

UNDP: Josep Garí

UNEP: Tim Christophersen, Gabriel Labbate

Secretariat: Mario Boccucci

1. **Country Programming**

The draft note on selection criteria developed by FAO – with input from the MG –ranked the top 9 countries per region (27 in total). The MG discussed potential countries and in doing so further defined how the criteria can be revised.

Decisions and Actions

* 18 countries were discussed for further scoping:
  + Africa: Cote d’Ivoire - Congo - DRC - Ethiopia - Zambia
  + Asia: Indonesia - VietNam - Myanmar - Philippines - Bhutan - Sri Lanka
  + LAC: Ecuador - Colombia - Mexico - Guyana - Costa Rica - Guatemala - Peru
* Agencies will review countries internally and provide feedback by 31 March, FAO will revise the criteria and list of countries by 2 April and will reconvene on 3 April, 15h00 Geneva/Rome to decide on criteria and selected countries

1. **Global Programming**

The draft concept note prepare by UN Environment with inputs from the MG was discussed and comments provided by FAO and UNDP.

Decisions and Actions

* UNEP to review the draft concept note based on additional MG comments received by 31 March and FAO and UNDP to review and clear so that it can be shared asap with Norway.