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| UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME **BUREAU FOR DEVELOPMENT POLICY (BDP)** | | | ONE PAGE MISSION REPORT SUMMARY **Date:** 9 September 2011 | |
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| **Approved Mission Itinerary:**  New York - San Jose – New York | | **List of Annexes**:  - Agenda <http://www.unredd.net/index.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_download&gid=5821&Itemid=53>  - Study released on local governance, anti corruption and REDD+ :  http://www.unredd.net/index.php?option=com\_docman&task=doc\_download&gid=5835&Itemid=53 | | |
| **Inclusive Travel Date**  4- 7 September 2011 | | **Key counterparts in location**  Regional : Gerardo Bertin (UNDP), Vanessa Retana (UNDP)  Country offices: Rocio Galiano (UNDP Uruguay), Mario Solari (UNDP Peru), Diana Torres (UNDP Colombia), Damiano Borgogno (UNDP Costa Rica), Paola Gomez (UNDP Mexico) | | |
| **Purpose/Objective of Mission:**   * Attend, present and facilitate sessions on REDD+ at the “Third regional Community of Practice (COP) on Anti Corruption”, organized by the Panama Regional Centre Democratic Governance group with PACDE support * Raise awareness on anti-corruption and REDD+ and interest among DGG regional and CO colleagues * Discuss specific possible entry points for collaboration and programming with DGG colleagues in UN-REDD partner countries | | | | |
| **Brief Summary of Mission Findings:**  - the COP very rich sessions gave practical country examples of programming for transparency and for accountability that will be useful in developing the transparency, anti-corruption and accountability criteria of the next version of the UN-REDD social and environmental risk identification and mitigation tool. At some stages of its development the tool could also be reviewed by selected governance CO colleagues.  - facilitated the session on anti corruption and the environment, where Beatriz Garcia presented the results of the study on local governance, anti corruption and REDD+ in LAC. Feedback bore on links to social impacts of BDS, tenurial security, traditional and indigenous knowledge and the need for country specific corruption risk assessment studies for REDD+, and coordination between subnational and national levels of government. The example of the Costa Rica Environmental Court, also presented in the session, presented a model that could be used to adjudicate REDD+ related crimes.  - facilitated a 2 hour small working group discussion on REDD+; suggestions from DGG colleagues and external partners on thematic entry points for DGG involvement addressed engagement with Indigenous Peoples, support to civil society monitoring of corruption risks, media, education, land tenure, support to legislators, addressing corruption risks within civil society and indigenous organizations, supporting the development of safeguards for companies  - programmatically, specific calls were made for a joint COP on REDD+ and anti corruption, finalization of the internal good practice guidance, more systematic involvement of DGG in the development of national UN-REDD Programmes, development of capacity development plan for CSOs towards evidence-based advocacy  - bilateral meetings with Peru : Marco Solieri shared plans undertaken with EEG on consultations with Indigenous Peoples and information on REDD+. The Environment Focal point remains the focal point for this activity and should be encouraged to continue this partnership and receive materials from the regional center and HQ as necessary  - bilateral conversation with Paraguay: very preliminary conversation pointing to specific entry points for anti corruption expertise in the Paraguay UN-REDD programme  - bilateral conversation with Colombia CO: material is being developed for climate change course and could include REDD+.  - bilateral conversation with Costa Rica UNDP Environment focal point: Costa Rica CO will not undertake REDD+ activities this year | | | | |
| **Recommendations / Action to be Taken:**  Follow up with Paraguay (through regional REDD+ team)  Follow up with Colombia on material for virtual school (through regional REDD+ team)  Follow up on possibility of joint AC- REDD+ COP in LAC (2012) with Gerardo Bertin  Review COP summary report including recommendations and strategic orientations for next 2 years  Distribution of local governance, anti-corruption and REDD study to REDD+ networks  Proposing to offer the anti corruption course from the virtual school to interested REDD+ RTAs | | | | **Distribution:**   * UNDP DGG HQ * UNDP / UN-REDD * UN-REDD HQs and Secretariat |