

**Coordination Group of the UN-REDD Programme
Decisions of meeting of 11 April 2012**

Participants:

Coordination Group and alternates

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Decisions:

1. Decisions of April 4: Adopted

2. UN-REDD Programme Retreat:

- a. Second and third objectives to be merged (Yemi: immediate)
- b. Emphasis should be on team and trust building but for the purpose of effective delivery of the Programme (Yemi: immediate)
- c. While not everything that will be discussed at the retreat can be addressed and finalized during the 3 days, it is important that all voices are heard and issues are captured with a clear follow-up process (Yemi: immediate)
- d. Inter-agency working group to discuss the objectives and expected outputs with facilitator (Working group: 12 April)
- e. Agreed to limit presentations but felt important to have three presentations by the agencies as follows:
 - i. History, origin, philosophy of the UN-REDD Programme
 - ii. Assessment of where we are today (national and global program activities, Tier2, increasing number of countries, etc.)
 - iii. Vision for UN-REDD and, using the management note of the internal review, provide a synthesis of the challenges that are confronting, and will confront, the Programme in the future

The working group to decide on the lead agency for each of the three topics (Working Group: 12 April)

3. SDG-CG Joint Meeting:

- a. Too many objectives. Create a new objective focusing on ownership by merging objectives 1,2 and 5 and a second one on strategy by merging objectives 3 and 4 (Yemi: Week of 10 April)
- b. Prepare an annotated agenda. Management response structure could serve as general framework for the agenda (Secretariat: week of 16 April)
- c. Current list of objectives should be converted into outputs

- d. Each agency to provide a briefing to their SDG member(s) as part of the preparation process and follow-up with a CG meeting to discuss any emerging issues (CG members: by first week of May)
- e. This should be a meeting of the SDG and the CG rather than of the three agencies

4. Management Note:

- a. Deadline for comments is 13 April (CG members)
- b. Important to start implementing some of the recommended actions as has already started happening (CG and Secretariat: ongoing)
- c. A proposal was made to consider the following, and to include in the management note response under general actions:
 - i. Improved marketing of the UN-REDD Programme as a collaborative Programme of the three agencies
 - ii. Consider development of a joint quality assurance mechanism that goes beyond the SEPC

5. Tier 2 Response to the Policy Board - Note by the Secretariat:

- a. The statement that states that by endorsing the Programme strategy, the Policy Board endorsed Tier 2, needs to be nuanced (Yemi: April 13)
- b. Include a clear statement that the Tier 2 mechanism is consistent with the Rules of Procedure and the MPTF and that the Policy Board does not own the UN-REDD brand (Yemi:
- c. Also include a clarification in the message that will be sent to the PB that it is a country and/or donor who takes the first decision of whether to use the Tier 2 mechanism, rather than initiated by the Agencies, and offer to make the language stronger in the ToR if PB members feel this would be useful (Yemi:

6. Date of next meeting : Wed, 18 April, 2:30pm Geneva/Rome time