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

**Meeting Decisions of 23 October 2015**

**9h30 Geneva/Rome, 11h30 Nairobi**

**Attendance:**

MG members and alternates

FAO: Maria José Sanz Sanchez

UNDP: Tim Clairs

UNEP: Tim Christophersen, Edoardo Zandri

Secretariat: Mario Boccucci, Mirey Atallah

Others:

Secretariat: Jessica Holterhof

1. **Approval of decisions of previous call, 23 October 2015**

Decisions and Actions:

* + The MG will provide written comments on the decisions from the last MG call by Wednesday, 4 November if necessary.
  + The Secretariat will amend the decisions and post on the workspace.

1. **PB15 preparation**

Decisions and Actions:

* With regards to the National Programme in Chile, the MG agreed on the following:
  1. Budget allocations will solely be made to UNDP and FAO. This will be reflected in the NP submission form for Chile, which will be provided as a decision document for PB15.
  2. The role of UNEP to provide technical support where necessary will be reflected in the National Programme Document (without going into further detail on administrative procedures).
  3. The more detailed role of UNEP, including an identification of how administrative procedures will be implemented, will be outlined in the delegation of authority sent from UNDP-HQ to the UNDP CO prior to signature of the programme document.
  4. All necessary technical assistance will be provided to the NP through the Country Support Team as delineated in the Code of Conduct. The cost of this technical assistance will be provided through the global programme and will not be charged to the budget of the NP.
* The Secretariat will draft a short formula to all participating UN-REDD Programme staff at PB15 on how to best introduce them to display a uniform Programme team.
* The MG agreed to meet face-to-face on Sunday, 8 November, after the welcome reception, to discuss issues related to PB15. Post-PB15, the MG will meet again after the closure of the meeting on Tuesday, 10 November, to further discuss certain issues that might not be in relation to PB15. The Secretariat will provide a draft agenda, and circulate to the MG prior to the meeting.

1. **Update on transition to 2016 (TOR, SNA no-cost extension, 2016 budget)**

Decisions and Actions:

* + As the MPTF has voiced concerns with respect to the lack of clarity on costs for the Secretariat, the Secretariat will formulate an additional paragraph to be added in the Terms of Reference, clarifying this issue. The formulation will be sent to the MG for comment.
  + In the same vein, the MPTF raised the issue of the approval process of the start-up costs and of the 10% top-up associated with earmarked funds, indicating these should be subject to a decision by either the EB or the NSC. Given the different considerations associated with this, the Secretariat will propose an alternative approach and text for the Terms of Reference to the MG.

1. **AOB**

**Africa REDD+ film**

Decisions and Actions:

* + As there are currently more pressing issues to be discussed, a final decision by the MG on next steps has been postponed to after the PB15 meeting and the finalization of documents for the extension of the Programme Fund.