

Minutes
Global Programme Coordination Teleconference
5 June 2012, 14.30-15.30 CET

Attendance:

FAO: Tiina Vahanen, Elisa MarzoPerez
UNDP: Tim Clairs, Dina Hajj, Estelle Fach
UNEP: Julie Greenwalt
UN-REDD Secretariat: Thais Linhares-Juvenal, Helena Eriksson

Agenda:

1. Approval of minutes from 29 May 2012.
2. Discussion of draft concept note and ToR for the working groups.
(1. Working Group addressing the Global Programme planning and work plan; 2. Working Group addressing the monitoring and reporting framework for the Global Programme).
3. Update on Targeted Support.
4. AOB.

1. Approval of minutes from 29 May 2012.

The minutes were approved.

2. Discussion of draft concept note and ToR for the working groups.

- At the MG concall on 30 May the Secretariat updated MG on the work on planning, monitoring and reporting, and sought guidance on the scope and boundaries of the work by the two GP (sub) working groups. The Secretariat requested MG's inputs on five queries, listed below, which will be discussed at the next MG concall, 6 June. Proposals and views from the concall participants (GP) are seen next to the queries.
 - *The work areas should be maintained or the GP should have another structure of presentation?* It was proposed that while it is useful to start looking into a restructuring of the GP work areas, the work areas should remain at this stage since the "GP document" has been approved for two years and until the UN-REDD Programme Strategy is revised. Reformulation can be made at outputs/activity levels.
 - *Guidance related to interagency collaboration within each outcome: What is the extent of flexibility that the working group can have when reviewing the current allocation of budget per agency/per outcome? Can changes be presented?* It was emphasized that budget revisions should be allowed. It is important to look into how the budget will be presented for PB, e.g. as a package of agencies' needs, needs per work area, etc. Overall budget guidance to be provided by MG.
 - *The total amount of the budget presented to PB should/can be adjusted?* If so, collaboration within each outcome to be reviewed and adjusted to budget increase/decrease.
 - *Does the MG envisage that any pre-established percentage of the GP should be allocated as targeted support? If positive, what should be the percentage?* Countries' interest for targeted support is growing and it was stressed that the ambition of the support and, if necessary, the proportion of GP budget for targeted support need to be agreed on. It refers to the whole support to national REDD+ activities, including backstopping. Within

this context to articulate the importance of international support function (coordination, strategic approach, etc).

- *It is also important to remind that the MG recommended the GP to be reported according to the categories of activities, i.e. international support functions, support to national REDD+ action and Secretariat. In this regard, the planning of the GP will involve elaboration of annual work plans that also takes into consideration those categories. Please advise whether the agencies are prepared to implement the reporting under these categories thoroughly or whether the need for some flexibility is envisaged. (Generally discussed).*

The Secretariat agreed to update the group on the discussion to be held at the MG concall.

- The working group reflected on the scope of the work plan. It agreed that there should be one results-based interagency work plan with sufficient level of information and meaningful presentation, in order to satisfy different purposes, including PB, donors, and internal programme monitoring. For internal purposes and interagency coordination the group agreed to include indicative activities. The budget will be reflected at output level.
- The concept note and ToR of the two working groups will be updated with the following: specify the Secretariat's role in supporting and facilitating joint programming; include examples of interagency work initiatives already in place; identify reasonable deliverables and highlight that some tasks are beyond the timeline and mandate of the groups.
- Importance of integration and quality assurance across GP, NP and Tier 2, as well as addressing partnerships with other institutions (e.g. World Bank), was mentioned.

3. Update on Targeted Support.

- The Secretariat informed the group that incoming requests were discussed at the NPWG concall on 4 June and requests received so far will be summarised in a sheet to be shared by the Secretariat. Some requests are pending agencies' inputs e.g. Mongolia and Bhutan, while Argentina will be asked to update its request with planned activities and budget. Costa Rica and Pakistan are currently working on requests.
- No specific guidance on amount is given to countries but amount should be small scale and seed funds for starting up activities for REDD+ readiness activities.

4. AOB.

- A concall on Legal Preparedness is planned for 8 June at 10 am CET. A concall with the Cambridge Programme is planned thereafter to discuss potential collaboration with the UN-REDD Programme.

The next Global Programme Coordination concall will be held on **Tuesday, 12 June, 14.30 CET.**

Action points:

The Secretariat shares an updated concept note and ToR of the two Working Groups.