

**Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme**  
**Decisions of meeting of 12 March 2014**  
**Draft**

**Participants:**

MG members and alternates

FAO: Mette Loyche Wilkie, Adam Gerrand

UNDP: Charles McNeill

UNEP: Tim Christophersen

Secretariat: Mario Boccucci, Thais Linhares Juvenal

Apologies: Tim Clairs, Edoardo Zandri

Others

Sharon McAuslan, Mirey Atallah, Mike Speirs

**1. Approval of minutes of 5 March**

- a. Approved with minor revisions.

**2. Programme Evaluation preliminary findings**

- a. The MG agreed that the draft MG response to the preliminary findings of the Evaluation can be shared with the SG for their information and any feedback, but maintained that does not require their intervention at this stage.
- b. Any additional inputs into the MG response to the preliminary findings were invited until 13 March.
- c. *Actions: MG to send comments by 13 March; Secretariat to consolidate and circulate to MG 14 March and to SG on 17 March; Final opportunity for MG to review during week of 17 March prior to submission to evaluation team on 21 March.*

**3. SG Climate Summit**

- a. The MG welcomed the update on i. progress on the three areas of potential forest related deliverables (Private Sector, Governments, Geographic zones); ii. the workplan that will be developed by Charles in collaboration with Mario and Meridian, and iii. the concept note outlining plans for involvement in the Abu Dhabi Ministerial meeting (4-5 May) in preparation for the Climate Summit.
- b. The need for support from the agencies (HQ and regional/country teams expertise) in engaging with countries was emphasized.
- c. *Actions:*
  - i. *UNDP will circulate the draft workplan for the SG Summit forest commitment, along with the concept note for the Abu Dhabi session, for MG review and feedback*
  - ii. *UNDP and FAO to liaise re FAO's offer of support/focal person*

**4. Vietnam Tier 2 Executive Group meeting**

- a. The MG agreed that the issue of fund transfer (three agencies/three different modalities), raised during the Viet Nam Phase II Executive Group meeting held in February by both the Government and Norway needs to be addressed, both related to Viet Nam, and at the Programme level as well. It was agreed to revisit this issue at a subsequent call/and or the forthcoming MG retreat.
- b. The MG also decided that the issue does not need to be discussed by the SG whilst the MG work on a proposal with the MPTF-O, although the SG could be alerted to the issue for their information only, at the forthcoming call.
- c. *Actions: Secretariat to include as alert on SG agenda, to circulate paper on alternative modalities, and table on subsequent MG call.*

**5. SG call on 17 March**

- a. The MG provided feedback on the draft annotated agenda: to prioritise the SG Summit and Workplan over the other items and to remove Viet Nam as a substantive item, and instead provide a quick alert along with the PB rotation issue.
- b. The MG agreed that the SG should prioritise Resource Mobilisation in their workplan, and that in future they may need to review their own role/function.
- c. *Actions: MG to send any additional inputs by Thursday 13 March (am) so Secretariat can finalise documents and send to SG later in the day.*

**6. AOB**

- a. PB11 report: The MG endorsed the proposed approach for responding immediately to the issues raised in relation to the PB11 decision on rotation of countries.
- b. *Actions: Secretariat to finalise response with Co-Chairs and circulate to Policy Board.*

**7. Next Weeks Call: Wednesday 19 March**