

Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme
Decisions of meeting of 13 Nov 2013
Draft

Participants:

MG members and alternates

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UNDP: Tim Clairs, Charles McNeill

UNEP: Tim Christophersen, Edoardo Zandri

Secretariat: Mario Boccucci, Mirey Atallah

Apologies: Thais Linhares Juvenal

Others

Sharon McAuslan, Clea Paz, Gabriel Labbate

1. Minutes from previous call (6 Nov)

- a. Approved with minor additions

2. Panama

- a. The MG thanked Gabriel for the update and considered how to proceed with the sequencing of the request for the no cost extension (NCE) given the forthcoming Coonapip General Assembly on 29 November which is expected to consider validation of the NP revisions, and the need to finalise the PB agenda and post documents by 25 November. It was agreed to:
 - i. Delay posting PB documents until after the Assembly, and include footnote on website in line with the request in the NCE documents explaining documents will be provided subsequent to the conclusion of the Assembly.
 - ii. Pending a positive outcome at the Assembly (equal to no rejection received), the request for extension can be processed and the revised NP presented to the PB.
 - iii. The fallback scenario is to give an update of process since Lombok and timeline going forward.
 - iv. In any case, the MG will reconvene after the 29 Nov to consider the appropriate approach based on the specific outcome of the Assembly (e.g. if COONAPIP gives indigenous groups the option to decide whether to engage or not).

3. +2015 Strategy

- a. The MG raised concerns related to the development of the +2015 Strategy, including the proposed information and PB sessions, and the internal process. It was agreed that the MG would discuss in more detail on 27 November and that:
 - i. The outline discussion paper being prepared by the Secretariat, including detailed proposed internal timeline will be circulated to the MG for comments until 27 November, also taking opportunities for face to face and other discussions inbetween (*Secretariat circulated on 15 Nov; Agencies to provide comments by 27 Nov*);
 - ii. The information session on the +2015 Strategy will be withdrawn from PB11 agenda;
 - iii. Greater clarity is needed on whether the PB should give the mandate or rather be informed of the proposed process and to give more thought to the question of ownership;
 - iv. The information paper for the proposed PB session will be revised based on initial feedback received (NB. It was subsequently agreed to withdraw the entire session at PB11).
- b. The MG were informed of the proposed role of Meridian, subject to the NO funding outcome (*Secretariat to circulate draft ToR*).

4. DRC Audit: Postponed – update to follow by email.

5. Update on Warsaw presence and events

- a. It was confirmed that arrangements for the SG meeting were in flux and it was unlikely for the long planned meeting on the 18th to proceed (*Secretariat to confirm asap*).
- b. It was agreed to submit updates on Agency Warsaw attendance and side events to the Secretariat (*MG to provide by Friday 15*).

6. Update on Norway funding request

- a. The proposed alternative approach for dealing with the country level T2 proposals under the SNA Targeted Support and Outcome 2 headings was agreed by FAO, UNDP and UNEP having previously confirmed agreement. A number of risks to be mitigated were identified to be addressed further in the narrative to accompany the budget revision as well as in the preparations for the session. (*Secretariat to address*).

7. AOB

- a. **PB11 agenda:** The information sessions will be adjusted to address inputs from UNDP.
- b. **Little drivers book:** There was no objection in including UN-REDD Programme logo on the bhasa version of the book subject to it being clear this does not mean endorsement of content. It was noted the policy on logo use should be clarified to provide guidance on use (eg in instances when there is no content input just financial support).
- c. **Review of forthcoming calls:** Provisional agendas for calls until the end of the year were shared with the MG, and the Secretariat reminded on the need to ensure weekly announcements are sent in a timely manner to enable sufficient reaction and preparation of the MG.

8. Next call: 20 November, 2:30pm CET