

**Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme**  
**Decisions of meeting of 14 November 2012**  
**Draft**

**Participants:**

MG members and alternates

FAO: Tiina Vahanen

UNDP: Tim Clairs

UNEP: Tim Christophersen

Secretariat: Mette Løyche Wilkie, Thais Linhares-Juvenal

Apologies: Mario Boccucci, Charles McNeill

Others

Secretariat: Clea Paz, Sharon McAuslan

**1. Approve minutes of previous MG call (7 Nov)**

- a. Approved, subject to minor edits

**2. Discussion and approval of programme for Doha side event**

- a. It was confirmed that Norway wish to incorporate signature of Viet Nam Phase II during the side event.
- b. The MG agreed the side event programme requires further fine-tuning, to include more focus on results achieved and frame within the context of the PB9 SNA-GP budget/framework decision that provides a very clear roadmap for the Programme, along with establishment of the Tier 2 modality.
- c. Consequently, it was agreed to reduce the number of items to i. Safeguards and ii. Legal preparedness, and further develop these elements, with the understanding that the objective and timings of the event may result in one being deferred (*TCh/Safeguards group to coordinate revision of safeguards element, Tiina to coordinate revision of LP element; MG, especially those members attending COP18, to provide input by COB Friday 16 Nov*).

**3. Process of approval for publications carrying the UN-REDD logo**

- a. The process for interagency approval of publications outlined in the Programme style guide was reiterated, along with the further guidance requiring final text to be circulated to MG members and the Secretariat, via the CEWG.
- b. The MG agreed the interagency approval process should remain light touch, but recommended several additional steps to avoid issues arising late in the day:
  - Planned publications should be raised also in GP working group with a clear timeline, so the right people are involved at conceptual stage. Taking a longer view of the development of publications should be made easier given the 2 yr SNA-GP framework approval.
  - Clear feedback/sign off should be added to the interagency approvals procedure, rather than relying on a no objection approach.
- c. The MG agreed that the executive summary of the upcoming Freedom of information law publication should not be included on the USB keys for Doha, to allow further coordination and consolidation with related publications in the pipeline.
- d. The MG suggested taking advantage of forthcoming annual planning meetings in Nairobi and Geneva in early 2013 to organize side meetings on thematic issues, e.g. how the UN-REDD Programme relates to REDD+ projects, private sector engagement, safeguards (*Secretariat*)
- e. The GP WG calls will also take up the issue of REDD+ projects/terminology (*Thais*)

**4. Representation at the joint Princes Rainforests Projects/UK Government meeting to discuss international progress on REDD+, London, 29 November**

- a. Pending confirmation of non-attendance by Charles/UNDP, UNEP will respond to the invitation sent to Achim Steiner, proposing that Mario will attend the joint meeting (*TCl to confirm with Charles, TCh/UNEP to respond*)

## 5. Planning for 5 years UN-REDD in 2013

- a. MG to provide input on potential events to mark the Programme's 5 years in 2013, potentially supporting Norway in hosting a high level REDD+ forum, or organizing an event back to back with PB, COP19 or UNGA (*MG members to have informal discussions in Doha, MG to provide initial ideas/comments by 10 Dec; CEWG to be tasked with developing concept note, including related publications, such as a status report on first 5 years; Secretariat to include on future MG call agenda, after Doha*).

## 6. Items for the next MG and SG call/meeting

- a. Next MG call to include:
  - ToR for evaluation, Review of UNREDD Strategy
  - Accountability (*TCl to confirm with Charles*)
  - Expert Panel on Green Economy (6.1.7 GP deliverable)
  - Items for next SG call

At next call or future call if time is lacking:

- Private sector engagement strategy (*circulated by UNEP, Agencies to review and provide feedback*)

- b. Next SG call anticipated mid December, items proposed to date include:

- Recap of lessons learned from PB9
- Strategic issues, including Programme Evaluation

## 7. AOB

- a. DRC National Trust Fund – MG to review ToR for the DRC National Trust Fund circulated by TCl and provide comments to enable Josep to relay to DRC (*MG to provide comments to TCl by cob 16 Nov*)
- b. Update on Viet Nam – NO have provided additional comments, which will be incorporated, with signature still envisaged on 5 Dec in Doha (*Secretariat finalizing*)
- c. PB9 report – awaiting detailed feedback from PNG following objection tabled; Point raised by Bolivia was an oversight and is being dealt with (*Secretariat incorporating*).

## 8. Date of next call: 21 November 14:30 CET, TBC