

Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme
Decisions of meeting of 17 Oct 2013
Draft

Participants:

MG members and alternates

FAO: Adam Gerrand

UNDP: Tim Clairs, Charles McNeill

UNEP: Tim Christophersen, Keith Alverson

Secretariat: Mario Boccucci, Thais Linhares Juvenal

Apologies: Mette Loyche Wilkie

Others

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1. Minutes from previous call (9 Oct)

- a. Approved.

2. PB11 Agenda

- a. The MG provided initial feedback on the draft agenda presented by the Secretariat and undertook to provide any additional comments in writing. *(MG to send any feedback by Tues 22 Oct; Secretariat to follow up with stakeholder engagement team re joint meeting, and revise and recirculate agenda for rapid MG clearance ahead of sending to the Co-Chairs, the SG and subsequently to the PB).*

Initial feedback:

- Pre-Policy Board Information and Knowledge Sharing Sessions: It was noted that these mainly relate to items included in the Norway additional funding proposal so the final programme will depend on the outcome of the funding request.
 - PB Day 1: There was a request for greater clarity (or an accompanying explanation) regarding the term 'country peer assist' although the concept was supported.
 - PB Day 2: Depending on progress on the revision of Panama's NP, it was suggested that the item could be tabled as a broader session on stakeholder engagement. It was also anticipated that the session on Support to National Funds could build on the current south-south exchange on fund design being facilitated by FCPF.
 - Joint meeting with FCPF: Further feedback would be provided by the MG and others (including the UNDP stakeholder engagement team), in order to take full advantage of the joint meeting.
 - PB11 Dinners: The opportunity to build rapport/collaboration was supported, with the potential for partnering with WMO/IPCC particularly welcomed.
- b. The MG also welcomed an update on the latest discussions with Switzerland regarding their future support to REDD+ implementation. *(Secretariat to continue outreach ahead of PB11).*

3. Norway's law enforcement, illegal trafficking agenda

- a. In order to guide and clarify the issues and potential synergies, the MG requested the Secretariat to prepare ToR for a scoping paper on the UN-REDD Programme and the security agenda. *(Secretariat to prepare and circulate draft consultancy ToR; MG to review and confirm approach).*

4. SG Climate Summit: Discussion postponed until subsequent MG call

- a. The Secretariat reflected positive initial discussions with the SG's office who indicated that the Programme, represented by a showcase country, would be a good candidate for the Summit. Due to limited time, substantive discussion was postponed to a subsequent MG call.

5. Updates:

- a. **2014 SNA budget allocation:** The Secretariat are arranging for the Co-Chairs to provide confirmation to the MPTF-O regarding the budget transfer, after which the MPTF-O have indicated they will be able to process the transfer.
- b. **Norway concept notes:** Agencies were requested to liaise with the Secretariat to provide outstanding information, mainly relating to 2014 budget amount and Targeted Support overlaps, so the Concept Notes can be finalized. In the absence of a response from FAO regarding the budget requested for 2014, it was requested the Secretariat make a proportionate adjustment.
- c. **SG discussion on GEF:** No readout from Eduardo's meeting with the GEF CEO available yet; details will be circulated to the MG in due course.

6. AOB

- a. Legal Manual: The manual, circulated on 16 Oct further to previous consultations in September, will be included on next weeks MG call with a view to MG approval.
- a. Warsaw UNFCCC COP19 CEB event 20 November 8pm: Speakers are being explored; The Secretariat will circulate a request to the MG in order to confirm high-level Agency attendees.
- b. Bangkok NFMS lessons learned workshop: Update deferred until next MG call.
- c. Retreat minutes: Will be circulated 18 Oct for MG clearance.
- d. Indonesia: Secretariat relayed information regarding apparent delay in appointing UNORCID Head.
- e. Audit: TimC1 noted that UNDP Internal Auditors are visiting Geneva shortly, possibly accompanied by FAO, who may contact Mario to arrange a meeting. UNEP are exploring whether it is possible for their audit to coincide, and will provide an update on this asap.

7. Next call: Wed 23 October, 3pm CET.