

Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme
Decisions of meeting of 19 December 2012

Participants:

MG members and alternates

UNDP: Charles McNeill, Tim Clairs

UNEP: Mario Boccucci

Secretariat: Mette Løyche Wilkie, Thais Linhares-Juvenal

Apologies: Tiina Vahanen, Tim Christophersen

Others

Secretariat: Clea Paz, Sharon McAuslan,

1. Approve minutes of previous MG call (21 Nov – the 12 Dec call was cancelled)

- a. Approved.

2. Follow-up to Doha

Support to UNFCCC negotiations

- a. In response to the SG request for inputs into how the Programme/Agencies can support UNFCCC SBSTA negotiations, the MG agreed to prepare a short note for the SGs consideration. The opportunity to participate in two forthcoming UNFCCC workshops was also noted (*Thais to prepare first draft of note by 11 Jan 2013, Clea to follow up regarding workshops in due course*)

Preparations for PB intersessional decision to approve changes to the budget based on additional funding from Norway

- b. The concept note for the small grants programme will be revised and elaborated by UNDP (*MG to provide any additional comments by close Thursday 20 Dec, Charles to circulate revised draft by 8 Jan?*)
- c. The Secretariat will prepare a draft communication to the Policy Board regarding the additional funds to be allocated to new NPs, restoration of the cuts made to stakeholder engagement and a proposed new initiative to provide small grants to local communities, to be sent to the PB in January. Other funding updates, e.g. Denmark, should also be included in the announcement, if possible. (*Secretariat to circulate draft message to the SG in early Jan*).
- d. MG to consider PB outreach, if necessary (*Secretariat to include on MG meeting in January*).

3. Draft ToRs for External Evaluation

- a. The MG recommended to involve the evaluation units of the three agencies before the ToR are further elaborated, with the aim that a revised draft taking on MG and evaluation unit comments can then be shared with the SG in January. The evaluation focal points can then advise on next steps (*Secretariat to incorporate any initial comments received from the MG by midday Thursday 20 Dec, and send note to the evaluation units to establish first contact*).

4. Desired outcome of PB review

- a. The MG will prepare a note on issues associated with the PB review, including functions, core tasks, existing gaps etc (*Charles to prepare draft by 11 Jan 2013, with further input by participants at the REDD+ retreats taking place in January if needed*).

5. AOB

- a. Information: The Head of Secretariat handover will take place week of 21 Jan, with Mette and Mario both visiting Geneva for a series of handover and Secretariat planning meetings.
- b. PB10 will take place in June in Lombok, Indonesia. Secretariat is awaiting the formal letter of offer from Indonesia. Tentative dates (to be confirmed): 24-27 June, followed by field trip and the FCPF meetings.
- c. Reminders for input from MG members on:

- The revised Terms of Reference for an expert panel aiming to strengthen the Programme's capacity to respond to increasing country demands for support on green economy transition in the context of sustainable land-use and REDD+
 - A potential Programme wide private sector engagement strategy
- d. Charles gave thanks for Mette's excellent leadership and competence in her role as interim HoS during the second half of 2012.

6. Date of next call: 9 Jan 2013, 2:30pm CET, unless anything urgent comes up before then...