

**Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme**  
**Decisions of meeting of 23 April 2014**  
**Draft**

**Participants:**

MG members and alternates

FAO: Mette Loyche Wilkie, Adam Gerrand

UNDP: Tim Clairs, Charles McNeil

UNEP: Tim Christophersen, Edoardo Zandri

Secretariat: Mirey Atallah

Apologies: Mario Boccucci, Thais Linhares Juvenal

Others

Sharon McAuslan, Mike Speirs.

**1. Approval of minutes** of previous week (16 April)

- a. The minutes were cleared in principle, subject to any final written comments received by close 24 April.

**2. Abu Dhabi Ascent/SG Climate Summit**

- a. The MG welcomed the update on the ABA, sharing Charles' concerns about the low registration to date. Suggestions for the scheduling of sessions and regarding country panelists were provided.
- b. *Actions (Charles):*
  - i. *To reschedule agriculture and forest breakout sessions (scheduled concurrently in latest agenda)*
  - ii. *To arrange invites for Edoardo Zandri and Keith Alverson*
  - iii. *To invite Viet Nam to participate as country panelists in the forest session*
  - iv. *To circulate latest attendance list to MG members for review and any feedback/suggestions on how to enhance participation of countries in particular*
  - v. *To invite those coordinating the Bonn Challenge (on forest restoration) to help organize the forest breakout session (exact format to be decided once session attendance confirmed).*

**3. UNORCID**

- a. In response to the request from the SG regarding opportunities for enhancing UN-REDD Programme support to UNORCID, and leveraging the capacity of UNORCID through the Programme, the MG noted a number of examples of good engagement and cooperation to date.
- b. The MG identified opportunities for strategic engagement that MG members attending the 2014 Forests Asia Summit (5-6 May, Jakarta) can begin to explore with Satya (Head, UNORCID):
  - i. To deliver view/message reiterating willingness of the three agencies to work together to support Indonesia;
  - ii. To explore what sort of engagement from the Programme is needed/ how the Agencies can contribute to readiness;
  - iii. To explore forthcoming opportunities for submitting funding proposals/ concept notes to the REDD+ Agency in Indonesia, including how this will be coordinated with UNORCID.
- c. The MG also suggested reviewing the various (P5) ToR to assess if all agencies have same timeframe and considerations in the agreements.
- d. UNDP confirmed that they will post a 1 year VA for the UNDP P5 post as the incumbent is leaving. The MG agreed that continued funding beyond 2015 should be considered in light of the Indonesian elections, the role of the REDD+ Agency and the future of UNORCID.
- e. **Actions:**
  - i. *MG members attending Forest Asia Summit (TC2, AG, TLJ) to discuss with Satya and report back to MG;*
  - ii. *MG members to review P5 agreements and revisit funding issue at future date;*
  - iii. *Secretariat to raise funding issue with Norway;*

iv. *Secretariat to report to SG that that MG is undertaking strategic engagement with UNORCID.*

#### **4. NP Submissions**

- a. The MG welcomed the update on the NP submissions for PB12:
  - i. Cote d'Ivoire (validation meeting on May 5<sup>th</sup>) and Argentina (validation meeting first week of May) are both on track for full consideration by the PB in July;
  - ii. Of the countries invited to submit a NP to the Policy Board in April 2014, Mongolia has confirmed it aims for submission to PB12, Uganda confirmed they will submit to PB13 and Honduras will soon confirm which PB they hope to submit at.
  - iii. The documentation requested for NP submissions is adapted in the case of countries with existing RPPs, to reduce unnecessary burdens.
- b. It was also noted that the CCWG is considering how to deal with the future pipeline and will bring a proposal to the MG before PB12.
- c. *Actions: CCWG to prepare proposal on future pipeline; Secretariat to include update on future call.*

#### **5. AOB**

- a. UNDP provided a short update on a recent brainstorming meeting, which included discussions on *how* the Programme can support countries through the Warsaw framework. A discussion paper will be provided as an input to the ongoing Strategy discussions by the 25 April.