Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme Decisions of meeting of 4 June 2014

Participants:

MG members and alternates

FAO: Adam Gerrand, Maria Sanz Sanchez

UNDP: Charles McNeill, Tim Clairs

UNEP: Tim Christophersen, Edoardo Zandri

Secretariat: Mario Boccucci, Thais Linhares Juvenal

Apologies: n/a

Others

Sharon McAuslan, Mike Speirs, Mirey Atallah

1. Approval of minutes of previous week (28 May)

a. Approved with minor revisions.

2. Programme Strategy

- a. The MG requested the concept note for the pre PB information Session on 'REDD+ beyond 2015' be updated to include further clarification of the session objectives and panelists (possibly downsizing e.g. Brazil and Germany). It was also suggested to pre arrange for interventions from the floor.
- b. It was confirmed that the draft roadmap for the Policy Board and Stakeholder Engagement Process would be shared with the MG in the coming week.
- c. Actions: Secretariat to send revised concept note and roadmap to MG (week of 9 June) and to follow up with Norway and others about interventions from the floor.

3. Update on correspondence from PNG

- a. The MG endorsed the proposed course of action for dealing with the incomplete rotation in the A-P region outlined by the Secretariat (Co-chairs to send update to PB proposing process).
- b. In response to the allegations made against the UN and the UN-REDD Programme, the MG agreed about the need to send a formal response, in line with legal advice received from UNEP and FAO. It was also agreed that it was not essential to deliver the formal demarche immediately (also to avoid conflating with the rotation issue), and to first explore informal routes. The issue would be brought back to a subsequent MG call following guidance from the SG during the call of 6 June.
- c. Actions: Secretariat to liaise with Co-chairs to send out email to PB to bring the rotation in A-P to a close, and to raise at forthcoming SG call, including options for informal follow up with PNG mission in NY.

4. Tier 2 Quality Assurance

- a. The MG welcomed the outline of key elements of Quality Assurance and the TORs of the UN-REDD Programme associated with Tier 2 and provided some initial feedback to incorporate into a revised document to be further developed by the CCWG.
- b. Actions: Secretariat to bring to CCWG with the aim of finalising the draft for final MG sign off.
- 5. NP performance dashboard: postponed due to lack of time, will be brought to subsequent call.
- **6. East Africa project**: postponed MG to refer to email update sent on 2 June and item will be brought to subsequent call as needed.

7. AOB

a. SG Climate Summit: UNDP to circulate a summary of the recent WEF meeting, related to the forest (public-private element) preparations for the Climate Summit.

- b. Programme Evaluation: Secretariat confirmed this issue will be on the agenda for 11 June, with a draft document/outline circulated in advance of the call.
- c. 2015 Budget revision: MG requested to bring to an MG call.
- d. 2013 Annual report: The huge effort that was involved in finalizing the report was recognized and applauded. The MG also noted the need to further review and adjust the process. To be brought back to an MG call where sufficient time can be dedicated to reflection, likely after PB12.
- e. MG membership: Departing and incoming MG members were welcomed and thanked. Mette's dedication was recognized, and Maria was warmly welcomed to the MG in her new official capacity.
- 8. Next weeks call: Wed 11 June, 3pm CET