

Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme
Decisions of meeting of 7 Aug 2013
Draft

Participants:

MG members and alternates

FAO: Mette Loyche Wilkie

UNDP: Tim Clairs, Charles McNeill

UNEP: Tim Christophersen

Secretariat: Clea Paz

Apologies: Mario Boccucci, Thais Linhares Juvenal, Keith Alverson, Adam Gerrand

Others

Mirey Atallah, Sharon McAuslan

1. Minutes from previous call (30 July)

- a. Approved.

2. Grievance

- a. The MG agreed to the proposed timeline for further development of a common interim approach for addressing grievance issues at the national and global level. In the first instance, the draft concept note will be updated by UNDP, based on feedback provided during the MG call and any additional written feedback submitted by 9 August (*Charles to update and recirculate updated draft by 19 Aug*).

3. Forthcoming inter-sessional decisions #26 & 27

- a. The MG cleared the draft inter-sessional decisions on requests to join the Programme and PNG's no cost extension. (*Secretariat to finalise documents to send by 9 Aug, clarifying i) whether Malawi will be included, and ii) the date of PNGs current no cost extension date, along with the proposed extension date; Clea to confirm PNG's official and alternate NFP to Mette who will make enquiries with the regional team (given the limited copy list in the letter received from PNG)*).

4. Panama update

- a. In anticipation that the Consultant will share the draft report with the UN on 9 Aug, the MG agreed next steps on the Panama investigation/evaluation:
 - i. Following a meeting with the interagency team on 9 Aug and discussion with Agency Evaluation offices, UNDP to circulate note confirming timeline and proposed way forward (*Charles, in advance of next MG call on 21 Aug*).
 - ii. UNEP to remain lead coordinator but continue to liaise with interagency team. In particular, it is envisaged UNEP will coordinate the first draft of the Management Response to the evaluation in collaboration with RTAs and country advisors. Secretariat will subsequently facilitate coordination of final draft at HQ level (*Clea to alert Gabriel to proposal*).
 - iii. Any subsequent NP redesign would also be an interagency effort.
 - iv. Secretariat will continue to provide support in managing any comms issues.

5. 2013 semi-annual reports

- a. Based on feedback received during the call, along with any additional feedback submitted, the draft NP semi-annual report template will be finalized and circulated to NP FPs (*MG to send feedback by Friday 9 Aug; Secretariat to finalise template, including deleting ref to cumulative achievements, and disseminate on 12 Aug*).
- b. The updated SNA semi-annual report and consolidated report templates will also be shared with the MG for additional comments (*Secretariat to circulate by 9 Aug*)

- c. The timeline for all the semi-annual reports (consolidated, SNA and NP) will also be updated and circulated to the Agencies for information (*Secretariat to circulate by 9 Aug.*).

6. PB11 Milestones

- a. The draft PB11 timeline was welcomed by MG members, and whilst it was acknowledged it will remain a working document, a revised version will be circulated reflecting MG feedback:
 - i. Circulation of draft PB11 agenda in advance of MG call on 21 Aug
 - ii. Final PB11 dates (still to be confirmed)
 - iii. Need to build in consultation on Policy Board agendas in advance of meetings (perhaps in parallel with dissemination of invitation letters 1 Oct?)
 - iv. Need to allow more time for Agency clearance of report during the holiday season (*Secretariat to update and circulate*).
- b. It was also noted that the time for preparing National Programme submissions (Bangladesh, Argentina, Cote D'Ivoire) for consideration at PB11 is short, and so confirmation of whether the deadlines for including on the PB11 agenda can be met is needed urgently, otherwise they will be deferred to PB12. (*Clea to raise in forthcoming NPWG meeting and report back to the MG in due course*).

7. AOB

- a. Mette confirmed an information note on the new FAO/BMU project will be circulated to MG members shortly.

8. Next call: No call on 14 Aug – MG reconvenes on Wednesday, 21 August, 3pm CET