

Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme
Decisions of meeting of 9 Oct 2013
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Participants:

MG members and alternates

FAO: Mette Loyche Wilkie,

UNDP: Tim Clairs, Charles McNeill

UNEP: Tim Christophersen

Secretariat: Mario Boccucci, Thais Linhares Juvenal

Apologies: Adam Gerrand, Keith Alverson.

Others

Sharon McAuslan, Mirey Atallah (Secretariat); Edoardo Zandri (UNEP)

1. Minutes from previous call (25 Sept)

- a. Approved.

2. Panama

- a. The MG agreed to the proposal to present both the no cost extension and the revised NP at PB11, subject to the positive outcome (written approval in principle from Coonapip) of the planned meeting on 15 October. In the absence of such an agreement, the MG would revisit other options. The importance of agreed approaches being followed at all levels of the Programme to ensure coherence was underlined.
- b. The need for a comprehensive workplan was reiterated, to enable review and guidance of critical steps. *(Secretariat to follow up with country team).*

3. Note on GEF: Secretariat to provide update

- a. A short briefing note on the GEF (based on discussion with the MG, MPTF, agencies GEF focal points and the GEF Secretariat) is being prepared for the SG and will be circulated to the MG. *(Secretariat to circulate briefing note 9 Oct and follow up with SG offices regarding the feasibility of arranging a short call in advance of 15 Oct).*

4. Update on the submission of concept notes to Norway: Secretariat to provide update

- a. The deadline for internal submission of updated concept notes was extended to enable further fine tuning including i. clarification of budget to be disbursed by 31 Dec 2014 (which will be the amount requested from Norway, additional amounts will need to be mobilized separately); ii. Clear link to results framework; iii. Elimination of overlaps related to TS requests *(Agencies to revise and submit concept notes by close 15 Oct; Secretariat to alert Norway to revised date for submission – 17 Oct).*
- b. Additional guidance from Norway related to the revision of the DRC/Congo Basin CN will be circulated for information *(TimC1 to circulate to Maria, TimC2 and Julie).*

5. Participatory monitoring:

- a. The MG agreed to further consider interagency collaboration on participatory monitoring, informed by a concept note prepared by nominated representatives of the agencies. *(MG to nominate focal points by 14 Oct, to be tasked with collaborating to prepare concept note; Secretariat to facilitate the work of the group).*

6. UN-REDD options for fund extension: Response to MPTF-O

- a. Regarding the 'extension' of the current MoU in the short term, the MG confirmed its interpretation of the end date (31 Dec 2015) is as per option 1 presented by the MPTF-0 (Option 1: based on the Programme Strategy, interpret the end date to be the last date for fund transfer). *(FAO to send written agreement by Friday 11 Oct, UNEP & UNDP having already confirmed, to*

enable Secretariat to respond to MPTF-O confirming option 1 is the preferred approach for fund extension).

7. Appointment of new FCPF coordinator: implications and opportunities that her tenure may provide.

- a. The MG provided inputs for Mario's introductory call with Ellysar Baroudy on 22 Oct. *(Mario to report back following call)*
- b. On the issue of cooperation on the ground between the UN-REDD Programme and FCPF, the MG were invited to send examples/issues for a paper being compiled by the Secretariat. *(Agencies to send contributions to Mirey)*

8. AOB

- a. The MG thanked FAO for hosting the recent MG retreat.
- b. Mette will be unavailable for MG calls for next 4 weeks (leave followed by 2 week mission). Pending Adam's availability, Secretariat to follow up with the MG regarding next weeks call (16 Oct).
- c. FIP meeting on 30 Oct: Secretariat to send details to UNEP to explore whether someone can attend to represent the UN-REDD Programme.
- d. GCF meeting taking place in Paris this week: TimC1 will circulate any relevant readout.
- e. 2014 transfer: Secretariat confirmed fund transfer request has been initiated.
- f. FAO tenure report: Adam will follow up with UNDP concerning the development of the report.
- g. Email from Norway regarding the law enforcement, illegal trafficking agenda: Mario has forwarded email to MG – for further discussion at next weeks MG call.

9. Next call: call next week tbc pending confirmation of FAO's representation