

Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme
Minutes of weekly call of 1 October 2014 15:00 to 16:00 CET

Participants:

MG members and alternates

FAO: Maria SanzSanchez

UNDP: Charles McNeill, Tim Clairs

UNEP: Tim Christophersen

Secretariat: Thais Linhares Juvenal, Mirey Atallah

Apologies: Mario Boccucci, Edoardo Zandri

Others

Secretariat: Sharon McAuslan

1. Approval of minutes of previous week, 17 September

- a. Approved

2. SG Climate Summit

- a. The MG welcomed the forest related outcomes of the Summit, and recognized the efforts of Charles in catalyzing these. The collaboration with FCPF leading up to the Summit was acknowledged as a good example of how the initiatives can work together. The statement read out in place of the planned session on multilaterals was commended.
- b. There was agreement that the forest outcomes provide momentum that should be capitalized, including in the context of the UN-REDD Strategy 2016-2020. Potential opportunities include:
 - i. To use the declaration and entire forest outcomes as a springboard to build on the renewed commitment for REDD+ results to achieve RBA through the UNFCCC process.
 - ii. To leverage support from donors exposed to the central role of UNDP/UN-REDD in convening the Summit, and encourage them to make firm commitments to support RBA.
 - iii. To explore whether the Programme can support the bilateral partnerships announced between Norway and Liberia and Peru.
 - iv. It could also be appropriate for the Programme to play a role in stocktaking of the commitments, perhaps in September 2015, in the run up to the Paris COP. Global Forest Watch was also acknowledged as a potential central platform who could play a role in monitoring commitments made.
- c. *Actions: Secretariat to raise the Summit outcomes in the context of the regional Strategy 2016-2020 consultations.*
- d. *Update on the outcomes of the Summit to be included in the PB overview presentation, and Secretariat to explore whether something could be accommodated under the joint FCPF/UN-REDD knowledge day on 4 November.*

3. Brief update on SNA monitoring framework and work plan 2015

- a. The Secretariat confirmed that Norway had agreed to disburse the remaining funds, which would reach the Agencies shortly. Responses had also been provided to additional clarifications sought by Norway regarding the 2015 budget revision, and the Secretariat would report any decision on additional commitments from Norway to the MG asap.
- b. It was also relayed that in response to a request from Norway to have the monitoring framework reviewed in line with the Work Plan and Budget revisions approved at PB11 and PB12, the Secretariat will request inputs from the agencies, so an information document can be prepared for PB13.
- c. *Actions: Secretariat to send email to Agencies requesting inputs on monitoring framework.*

4. AOB

- a. **FAO MG and SG representatives:** following internal reorganization, the management of the entire UN-REDD Programme within FAO has been merged under the Forestry Department, Management

and Conservation Division (FOM). At SG level, this will mean that from now on FAO will have one SG representative; Eduardo Rojas will continue to represent FAO (and act as PB Co-chair) for the remainder of 2014, after which Eduardo Mansur will take become the SG member. For the MG, Maria will continue to represent FAO as the MG member, with Tiina Vahanen acting as the alternate for meetings where Maria is unable to participate.

5. Next weeks call: Wed 8 October, 3pm CET.