

**Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme
Decisions of meeting of 26 November 2014**

Participants:

MG members and alternates

FAO: Maria Sanz Sanchez

UNDP: Tim Clairs

UNEP: Tim Christophersen, Edoardo Zandri

Secretariat: Mario Boccucci

Apologies: Charles McNeill, Thais Linhares-Juvenal

Others

Sharon McAuslan, Mike Speirs

1. Approval of minutes of previous week, 19 November

- a. Approved, subject to any comments sent by 28 November.

2. Programme Strategy

- a. The MG approved the revised Strategy roadmap (circulated 21 Nov), including an additional brainstorming meeting of the Secretariat and MPTF in December (tentatively 16-17 Dec), with MG to participate in discussions via a dedicated call, if it can be arranged.
- b. On the draft table of contents, it was acknowledged that the intention is to provide a general organizing framework to capture information in the first instance in order to reach a sufficient level of internal clarity, and that the level of detail will likely be reduced with regards to some issues in the final version made available to the PB.
- c. The MG recommended that agency inputs should prioritize feedback on interagency arrangements (section 5), and that ultimately there may be opportunities to reorganize some of the sections (e.g. under the 3 workareas/outcomes agreed at MG retreat Feb 2014¹) in order to avoid overlap. The Secretariat will provide a template to aid standardization of agency inputs.
- d. The MG were reminded of their previous commitment to meet the deadline of 12 December for inputs, in order that the Secretariat can prepare a first draft before Christmas, and to give sufficient time for agencies to review in advance of the MG retreat planned for 18-19 Jan 2014.
- e. *Actions: Agencies & Secretariat to discuss any outstanding issues related to the process bilaterally before Friday 28 Nov – if needed, Secretariat to bring back to MG call on 3 December for additional discussion;*
- f. *Secretariat to provide template for inputs by Friday 28 Nov.*

3. Update on preparations for Lima COP

- a. MG members confirmed they are preparing Principals for the CEB side event and anticipated side meeting with Norway, and were comfortable with the updated concept note and briefing notes provided by the Secretariat.
- b. The timing of the side event, along with the courtesy meeting with Norway to be held in the margins of the side event, would be confirmed by the Secretariat asap.
- c. *Actions: Secretariat to forward draft UNDP intervention and moderators script for information, and confirm final date/timing of side event; UNEP and FAO to circulate draft interventions asap.*

4. Green Climate Fund

- a. In light of the recent funding pledge and opening of the first project window in 2015, the MG agreed it would be important to have a structured discussion asap about the UN-REDD Programme's involvement with the GCF. Concerns were raised about the potential risks of UN-RP/Agency GCF proposals related to REDD+. In the first instance it was agreed that MG members

¹ Tailored National REDD+ Strategies, Towards Results-Based Actions & Payments, National & Global Info Systems

will collect basic information on how agencies are approaching GCF, and provide a short think piece on the UNRP & GCF, with a view to having a more structured discussion in January.

- b. Actions: Each agency to produce short think piece by the deadlines mapped out in the Strategy Outline*
- c. Secretariat to reach out to Norway to explore and clarify their views with reference to the UN-REDD Programme and GCF funding.*

5. Tenure/carbon rights internal position

- a. FAO confirmed the internal paper on tenure has been prepared and will be circulated to the MG pending final internal clearance.

6. AOB

- a. Forthcoming MG agendas: Agencies to provide any feedback on draft Dec-Jan agenda's sent to MG on 21 Nov.
 - i. UNDP requested inclusion of item on feedback regarding the recent Comms/KM workshops (to be included on 3 Dec agenda).
 - ii. FAO invited feedback/endorsement of the proposed position on GHG forest emissions circulated to the MG on 18 November, so it can be finalized. If needed, the issue will be brought back to a future MG call for further discussion.

7. Next call: 3 December, 2:30-4pm CET