

Minutes
Support to National REDD+ Action
(Global Programme) Coordination Teleconference
20 November, 14.30 CET

Attendance:

FAO: Tiina Vahanen, Maria SanzSanchez, Elisa Marzo

UNDP: Charles McNeill, Tim Clairs

UNEP: Julie Greenwalt

UN-REDD Programme Secretariat: Thais Linhares Juvenal, Clea Paz, Helena Eriksson

Agenda:

1. Approval of draft agenda
2. SNA monitoring framework
3. SNA fund allocation request
4. Preparation for Doha
5. AOB

1. Approval of draft agenda

Agenda approved with notification of two additional points under AOB.

2. SNA monitoring framework

Secretariat described the preparatory work on the monitoring framework (2013-2014) prior to PB9 and the plan for completing the framework. The framework should be sent to the PB members intersessionally for comments as per PB9 decision. The Secretariat had sent a message on 12 Nov., including draft ToR of the Monitoring and Reporting consultant, a draft timeline for the framework, FPCP background paper on their Monitoring Framework, Consultant Alain La Fontaine's presentations at FCPF PC13, Guidance on reporting on capacity development, Revised FIP Results Framework and. Comments from the Group included;

- Clear view of what to be measured in comparison to other initiatives (e.g. FIP, FCPF).
- The ToR should separate and prioritize tasks and deliverables and be in line with the workplan for the monitoring framework and the overall timetable for the Annual Report 2012, which will include the monitoring framework.
- Important that the timeline is realistic for internal liaison within the agencies, taking into consideration COP18 and the seasonal holiday period.

Action: Agencies to provide comments on the ToR and timeline for the mon. framework by 20 Nov.

3. SNA fund allocation request

After having consulted with the MPTF Office, the Secretariat reported that there is no need to revise the work plan to match actual funds being requested and also no need for signatures on a revised programme document. The Secretariat will be submitting the submission form and consolidated work plan for requesting the funds for 2013 budget.

4. Preparation for Doha

Based on a round of inputs, the messages that the agencies want to see come across at COP18 include; strong lead by UN-REDD; strong delivery based on countries' demands - country driven; UN-REDD helps countries; well-coordinated with the World Bank; well-connected with other initiatives;

progress made on safeguards; there is a consensus – no sense of weakening; ‘UNFCCC in action’; the Programme shows that this is possible- REDD+ shows clear progress; Vietnam + Norway – good examples; Programme does not ‘shy away’; Norway signed 2nd phase of Tier 2; Programme builds on achievements – it is about to complete four years.

Reem is liaising with the organizers of the UN-REDD Programme CEB High-Level Segment side-event on 4 Dec to see how to convey UN-REDD messages at the meeting.

While details are seen in the “COP18 & FD6/All day 5 meeting overview”, shared with MG, the agencies highlighted the following main activities along with the UN-REDD side-event: FAO is organizing a meeting on Sustainable Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change on 27 Nov and a FAO Knowledge Event on Climate-Smart Approaches to Agriculture on 1 Dec including tenure, peat lands, legal preparedness. Ruben will help with the UN-REDD booth. UNDP has a smaller delegation this year (Clea and Charles). Helen Clarke will chair the High-level side-event of the UN System CEB on 4 December. There will be an event on gender in climate change with UNDP’s involvement; UNDP will attend the 2 day meeting after COP for Indigenous Peoples. From UNEP, Tim will be at the COP. Suggested that Lara supports the UN-REDD booth.

The side-event will start with the signature with Vietnam. On 20 November the final concept note will be ready for MG’s clearance.

5. AOB

Publications. Related to the discussion on clearance process of UN-REDD Programme publications at the MG call and at the UN-REDD staff retreat, it needs to be clarified which clearances are needed for various types of publications and what it means to have a joint publication. All documents that have the UN-REDD logo concern *all* agencies. The Secretariat suggested that the Group is kept aware of pipeline publications (in liaison with the Knowledge Management Team) and that a consolidated list of planned publications will facilitate the overview of material.

Action: Agencies to send their list of planned publications to Thais (cc Helena) and indicate type of publication (Policy Brief, etc.) and whether there is any co-finance/partnership associated to them.

Thematic discussions. The Secretariat suggested that discussions on cross-cutting areas related to SNA that need longer (technical) discussions are held separately from the MG calls since the MG calls cannot cover all these issues.

Action: Agencies to send topics under the SNA that should benefit from a technical discussion by the Group with a view to provide inputs for the MG on strategic approach/discourse by the UN-REDD Programme.

The next Support to National REDD+ Action (Global Programme) Coordination concall will be held on Tuesday, 27 November, 14.30 CET.