

Minutes / Action Points
Safeguards Coordination Group
Support to National REDD+ Action / Global Programme
23 January 2014, 14:30 CET

Attendance:

FAO: Emelyne Cheney
UNDP: Kimberly Todd, Claudia von Segesser, Jennifer Laughlin
UNEP: Julie Greenwalt

Draft Agenda:

1. Approval of agenda
2. Planning for face-to-face SCG meeting
3. Update on safeguards coordinator position
4. AOB

Minutes and action points:

1. Approval of draft agenda

The draft agenda was approved with the following additional items under AOB:

- TS updates: Costa Rica and Bhutan

2. Planning for the SCG Meeting in Rome

- a. Emelyne quickly briefly walked through the agenda finalization with the group and explained that modifications can still be made, except that breaks/lunches are now set and can not be changed.
- b. Emelyne confirmed availability of a projector if needed.
- c. UNDP asked about preparation of any tools and slides in advance as well as how we would aim to set up each session with the key issues/questions to be addressed.
- d. Julie explained that the proposed format would not require slide presentations, but rather guided discussions for which facilitators can plan as they see fit for the respective sessions
- e. It was explained that Session 2 would probably need the most preparation regarding the NP/TS safeguards tracking table as well as having each agency assigned to provide one of the more in-depth country examples.
- f. Claudia provided an update on the NP/TS tracking table. She has populated mainly based on semi-annual and annual reports and has added REDD+ SES and FCPF columns. Agreed action: Have the group do a quick review of structure and then share with regional and other colleagues in order to have it populated as much as possible before the meeting.

3. Update on the Safeguards Coordinator position

- a. Julie provided an update that the vacancy would be posted by the following week and asked agencies to determine if/how they would like to be involved in the selection process, with the reminder that this would need to be P-4s and above participating. The vacancy will be posted for a full month.
- b. Julie also requested all to send out broadly within networks.

4. AOB

a. Costa Rica TS

- i. Emelyne provided update that FONAFIFO has been meeting with IP representatives and earlier concerns seem to have been ameliorated.
- ii. Joint workshop that had been planned with the World Bank has now been postponed – new tentative timing is March 2014.
- iii. The group discussed reactions to the recent deliverable under this TS and general agreement that more analysis needed as a next step.

b. Bhutan TS

- i. Kim inquired if others were providing inputs into the concept note and if we should offer consolidated inputs from the SCG. It was agreed to share the concept note with the group by email (Kim circulated after call) and Julie agreed to check with UNEP colleagues about status and collecting inputs.
- ii. We've since received the official proposal so rather than commenting on the concept note, the group has now been requested to comment on that proposal and workplan.