

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

Attendance:

FAO: Emelyne Cheney
UNDP: Kimberly Todd, Claudia von Segesser
UNEP: Lera Miles, Julie Greenwalt
Secretariat: Mirey Atallah, Helena Eriksson

Draft Agenda:

1. Approval of agenda
2. Planning for face-to-face SCG meeting
3. Revisions to SNA Monitoring Framework 2013-2014
4. FONAFIFO's request for feedback on report prepared by consultant, Costa Rica targeted support
5. UN-REDD flier on safeguards
6. E-mail from Ecuador
7. Closure of PB11
8. Draft PB12 agenda –Inputs from the Group on any safeguards related items.
9. Survey on CSOs on social and environmental safeguards
10. AOB

Minutes and action points:

1. Approval of draft agenda

The draft agenda was approved with two additional items under AOB;

- Draft updated safeguards webpage; and
- Guidance note on legal aspects of the implementation of REDD+ environmental safeguards, share by UNEP the previous day.

2. Planning for face-to-face SCG meeting

2.1 Time: The date for the meeting at FAO, HQ, was confirmed; Thursday and Friday, 30-31 January.

2.2 Participants: The meeting is aimed for SCG members only. The concall attendees confirmed their participation with apologies from Mirey and confirmation yet to come from Claudia. (Thais, Maria and Jen to confirm).

2.3 Agenda:

- ✓ Agreed action: Claudia will re-send the initial draft agenda and the Group will provide inputs by Tuesday, 14 January. It will be further development by Emelyne and Julie and shared by Friday 17 Jan.

2.4 Supporting document: The Group did not consider it is needed to share a list with MG with foreseen recommendations stemming out from the meeting.

3. Revisions to SNA Monitoring Framework 2013-2014

The Secretariat referred to the message from Keith Lindsay, explaining what is required from the Group regarding the parameters and clarified that the parameters refer to the situation before the approval of the additional funding from Norway. Hence no need to update targets etc. The Mon. Framework will be reported against in the Annual Report 2013.

- ✓ Agreed action: Julie and Kim will look into Keith's comments and provide clarification to him on behalf of the Group with regard to the Framework and the output 5.2 indicator.

4. FONAFIFO's request for feedback on report prepared by consultant, Costa Rica TS

The Group is currently providing comments on the report, which UNDP will consolidate. UNDP provided an initial update of a Planning Meeting that will take place in Costa Rica, 27-28 January, and reached out for possible attendees.

- ✓ Agreed action (agreed prior to meeting): The Group to provide comments on the draft report by 13 Jan and Kim to consolidate by 15 Jan.
- ✓ Agreed action: The Group will contact colleagues to see if they are available to attend the Planning Meeting and share any further information they receive with the Group.

5. UN-REDD flier on safeguards

The flier prepared by UNEP-WCMC is a useful basis and the Group elaborated on having also a more general flier based on the Safeguards Framework. Fliers such as the MB & land use flier to be associated with the general flier, i.e. a package of fliers with an "umbrella flier" and various fliers linked to it.

- ✓ Agreed action: The two fliers to be added to the agenda of the FtF Meeting in January. An outline of the 'general flier' to be presented at the meeting. (Emelyne will take the lead for the general flier).

6. E-mail from Ecuador

Stemming from an individual meeting with Ecuador on its SIS during the PB11 days, an e-mail summarising the discussion and describing Ecuador's safeguards work was received from María del Carmen García Espinosa on 20 Dec 2013.

- ✓ Agreed action: Julie will send an acknowledging message on behalf of the Group to Maria.

7. Closure of PB11

The Secretariat raised the point of any direct follow-up needed from PB11, which cannot wait until the f-t-f meeting.
(Agreed to handle the item by e-mail).

8. Draft PB12 agenda

Inputs required from the Group on any proposed safeguards related items for PB12. MG is reviewing a very preliminary list of items for the info sessions and official PB meeting.
(Agreed to handle the item by e-mail).

9. Survey on CSOs on social and environmental safeguards

The Secretariat informed about a received survey from the Asian Management and Development Institute.

(Agreed to handle the item by e-mail).

10. AOB

10.1 Updated safeguards webpage –

- ✓ Agreed action: Group to send comments by 14 Jan on the draft webpage that had been shared by Lera.

10.2 UNEP updated the Group on the finalized *Guidance note on legal aspects of the implementation of REDD+ environmental safeguards*, which was shared by e-mail the previous day and draft circulated before for comments. It was clarified that it has no link to the draft document *REDD+ Implementation: A Manual for National Legal Practitioners*. (Title to be checked).

- ✓ Agreed action: Secretariat to send a note to Emelyne to ensure the FAO legal colleagues have seen the finalized document. (Emelyne could not attend the call for these last AOB items).