

# Panama's National Programme: Status

**UN-REDD Programme Policy Board Meeting**

10 December 2013



## Background

- **October 2009.** Policy Board approves funding allocation request for Panama's NP
- **October 2010.** UN agencies and ANAM finalize and sign NP document
- **February- November 2011.** Work-plans updated, contracts for technical work and initial socialization with stakeholders
- **January 2012.** ANAM dedicates increasing number of personnel to the NP. Activities begin to accelerate
- **June 2012.** COONAPIP sends first letter of complaint to UN-REDD



## Background

- **August 2012.** High Level Commission (UN Agencies – ANAM – COONAPIP) and Technical Commission established
- **February 2013.** COONAPIP withdraws from UN-REDD
- **March 2013.** UN-REDD suspends new activities and launches an independent investigation & evaluation
- **July 2013:** Preliminary report posted in the website prior to PB 10
- **September 2013:** Draft evaluation report posted-comments requested



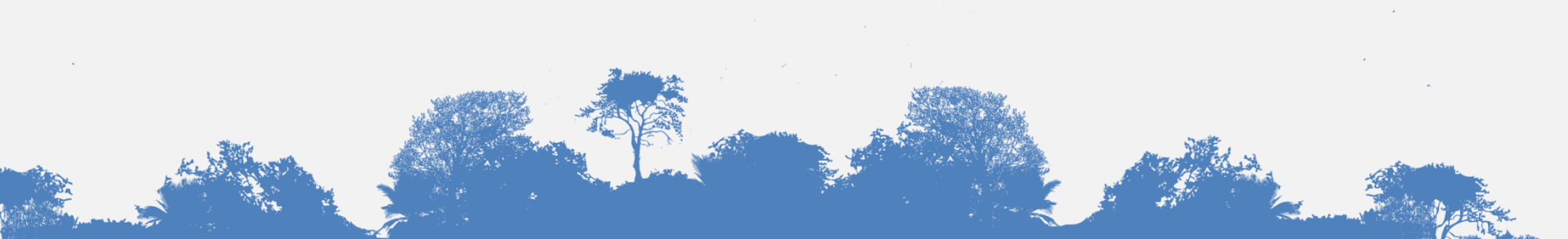
## Summary of actions taken after receiving the complaint

- Coordinated written response to the complaint sent
- High-level fact-finding mission
- Independent team tasked with investigation and mid-term evaluation of the NP
- Transparent communication of the status of how the UN-REDD Programme is addressing the complaint-while respecting the national process led by ANAM



## Documentation for Panama's NP

- Investigation and mid-term evaluation reports
- Management response
- Revised NP results framework and budget
- Letters requesting no-cost extension
- COONAPIP's assembly meeting minutes



## Main Investigation findings

- No violations of individual human rights by the UN-REDD Programme, but flaws in the National Programme design & proper participatory process
- Lack of clear roles and responsibilities which hampered the subsequent inclusion of indigenous peoples in the implementation of activities
- Overlap with programmatic matters



## Main Evaluation findings

- 12 recommendations addressed to ANAM, the National Programme team in Panama, and the UN-REDD Global Programme
- Recommendations covering programmatic and substantive matters related to participation of IPs in Panama's NP
  - detailed in the ppt of the management response



## **Actions taken after the inv. and evaluat.**

- Delivered a response to findings from the investigation and evaluation
- Important lessons from the process to be included in programming and implementing UN-REDD NPs
- Increased funding to activities related to stakeholder engagement and recognition of the time needed for consultation for R-PPs and NPs
- Development of ICA's and PGAs to gage the political economy of REDD+ & relative roles, responsibilities and functions of all stakeholders including indigenous peoples.





# Thank You

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