Annotations to the Draft Provisional Agenda

UN-REDD PROGRAMME FOURTEENTH POLICY BOARD MEETING

20-22 May 2015
Washington, D.C., United States

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All meeting documents can be downloaded here

Pre-Policy Board Information Day
Wednesday, 20 May 2015

1. **UN-REDD Programme 2016-2020 Strategic Framework (2hrs)**

    Context: This session will recap the process undertaken in the development of the UN-REDD Programme 2016-2020 Strategic Framework, highlight updates in the document since PB13 and introduce the governance arrangements for the UN-REDD Programme 2016-2020. It will provide an opportunity to raise any questions or clarification in advance of the scheduled Policy Board discussion.
    Background documents:
    - Revised UN-REDD Programme 2016-2020 Strategic Framework (UNREDD/PB14/2015/III/3)
    - Information note on the UN-REDD Programme 2016-2020 governance arrangements (UNREDD/PB14/2015/III/3/INF.1)

2. **Addressing drivers of deforestation and forest degradation (2hrs)**

    Context: The session will address emerging experiences in addressing drivers of deforestation and forest degradation (DDFD), derived from a global analysis of the UN-REDD Programme portfolio as well as specific country level examples. The session is structured around three key pillars:
    (i)   Analyzing dynamics of DDFD;
    (ii) Addressing DDFD: illegal logging; and
    (iii) From analyses to monitoring.
    Background documents: -na -

3. **Knowledge exchange on experiences in applying the country approach to safeguards, including safeguards information systems (2hrs)**

    Context: This session will provide an opportunity to exchange experiences and emerging lessons of applying country approaches to safeguards, including safeguards information systems (SIS) design considerations.
    Background documents: - na -

Thursday, 21 May 2015

Session 1a - Welcome and brief introduction by Co-chairs (15min)

Session 1b - Review and approval of the agenda (30min)

Context: The Co-chairs of the 14th UN-REDD Programme Policy Board will open the meeting with introductory remarks and welcome participants and observers. The Co-chairs will review the agenda sessions, Co-chairing arrangements and conduct during the meeting, before requesting approval of the draft agenda from the Policy Board members.

Background documents: Draft Provisional Agenda and Annotations to the Draft Provisional Agenda (UNREDD/PB14/2015/I/1b/Rev.1)

Expected PB action: Review and approval of the agenda for the 14th Policy Board

Session 2a - Overview of progress, financial status and 2014 annual report (1hr30min)

Context: The Secretariat will provide an overview presentation highlighting the 2014 Annual report, and progress and results since the last Policy Board meeting. The financial status of the UN-REDD Programme Fund will be presented by the Multi-Partner Trust Fund (MPTF) Office.

Background documents: 2014 Annual Report with annexes (UNREDD/PB14/2015/II/2a)

Expected PB action: To approve the 2014 Annual Report

Session 2b - Update and progress of the FCPF since the 18th Participants Committee meeting (15min)

Context: The Facility Management Team will provide an update on the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility and Carbon Fund to the Policy Board. This will include key decisions and a general summary of discussions during PC18, taking place before the 14th Policy Board's meeting.

Background documents: -na-

Expected PB action: For information only

Session 3 – Strategic and Policy Issues: UN-REDD Programme 2016-2020 Strategic Framework and its Governance arrangements (4.5hrs)

Context: The Secretariat will present the UN-REDD Programme 2016-2020 Strategic Framework for consideration and endorsement, along with information note on governance arrangements and on the roadmap for launching the UN-REDD Programme 2016-2020.

Background documents: Revised UN-REDD Programme 2016-2020 Strategic Framework (UNREDD/PB14/2015/III/3); Information note on the UN-REDD Programme 2016-2020 governance arrangements (UNREDD/PB14/2015/III/3/INF.1)

Expected PB action: Consideration and endorsement of the UN-REDD Programme 2016-2020 Strategic Framework

Friday, 22 May 2015

Session 4a – National Programme Updates: Countries invited for an informal presentation for new National Programmes (2hrs)

Context: At the 12th Policy Board meeting held in Lima, the Board approved a revised process for the establishment of a pipeline for invitation of countries for the submission of National Programmes consisting of (i) a call for expressions of interest; (ii) a selection lead by a reactivated policy board working group. Following the pledge by Norway at PB13 in Arusha and the transfer of funds in March 2015, 12 Expression of Interest were received. As a first group, 3 new countries can be invited for the submission of National Programmes, notably Chile, Myanmar and Peru. The session will provide a short update on the process and criteria of selection, and informal presentations by each country on the foreseen National Programme.

Background documents:
- Expression of Interest (EoI) submission of Peru, Myanmar and Chile
- Policy Board Working Group Report

Expected PB action: Based on the informal presentations, to take note of progress and invite for a formal submission of National Programmes for fund allocation approval.

Session 4b - Final Evaluation of Ecuador's National Programme: Sustaining the gains (1hr)

Context: Ecuador's UN-REDD National Programme operationally closed in December 2014, with a financial closure in June 2015. A final independent evaluation was carried out over the last quarter of 2014 which informed a management response. The full evaluation report, as well as an executive summary, is available on the UN-REDD Programme Workspace. The representative of Ecuador will present the key findings and recommendations of the final evaluation, Ecuador's management response as well as the final, forward looking perspectives following closure of the National Programme.

Background documents: Ecuador's Final evaluation report

Expected PB action: To recognize the completion of Ecuador's National Programme; To endorse the recommendations from the final evaluation and associated responses

Session 5 – SNA Update: Country Needs Assessment (1hr)

Context: The Secretariat will provide an overview of the Country Needs Assessment process, the thematic distribution, coordination and a status update on implementation. As a result of the call for proposals issued in April 2014 by the UN-REDD Programme, seven countries (Guatemala, Madagascar, Malawi, Peru, South Sudan, Tunisia and Zimbabwe) and two Regions (Mesoamerica and West Africa) are at various stages of implementation of their proposed Country Needs Assessments. Several countries/regions will provide their perspectives on the CNA.

Background documents: -na-

Expected PB action: For information

Session 6a – Closure of Meeting: Next Policy Board meeting (15min)

Context: The Co-chairs will present a proposal on the location and dates of the next Policy Board meeting in 2015, anticipated to take place in late October or early November 2015, back to back with the FCPF Participants Committee.
Background documents: - na-
Expected PB action: To endorse the proposal of the Co-chairs.

Session 6b – Closure of Meeting: Decisions and conclusions (45min)

Context: The Co-chairs will review the decisions and conclusions of the 14th Policy Board meeting in consultation with members for their feedback and approval on substantive content only.
Background documents: -na-
Expected PB action: Consideration and approval of the decisions as summarized by the Co-chairs

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