

Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) Participants Committee Ninth Meeting (PC9)

June 20-22, 2011
Hotel Bristol, Oslo, Norway
(www.bristol.no)

Monday, June 20

07:00	<i>Breakfast and registration</i>
1. Opening	
09:00	1a. Welcome (Benoît Bosquet)
09:15	1b. Official welcome (Mr. Kjetil Lund, State Secretary, Norwegian Ministry of Finance)
09:45	1c. Review and approval of meeting agenda (Co-chairs)
10:00	1d. Rules of Procedure (Sachiko Morita)
2. Multiple Delivery Partners and Common Approach	
10:30	2. Report on the Task Force on Multiple Delivery Partners and discussion of the Common Approach (Tim Mealey), including FMT comments (Benoît Bosquet)
11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:45	2. (continued)
13:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
3. R-PP Assessment	
14:00	3a. Presentation of ad hoc Technical Advisory Panels (Neeta Hooda)
14:15	3b. Technical Advisory Panels' overviews of R-PPs (Stephen Cobb)
15:00	3c. Liberia (Moses Wogbeh and Peter Mulbah, TAP, PC and World Bank)
16:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:30	3d. Uganda (Xavier Mugumya, TAP, PC and World Bank)
17:45	<i>Contact groups on draft PC Resolutions</i>
19:00	<i>Dinner and continuation of contact groups on draft PC Resolutions</i>

Tuesday, June 21

07:00	<i>Breakfast and contact groups on draft PC Resolutions</i>
4. Knowledge Sharing Panel I: Readiness Review and Package	
08:45	4. Panel presentations and discussion on Country Readiness experiences to date and early views on the elements of Readiness
10:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
5. FCPF Program Evaluation	
10:45	5. Results of the FCPF Program Evaluation (Alain Lafontaine of Baastel), followed by comments from FMT (Neeta Hooda)
6. Keynote Addresses	
12:30	6. H.E. Erik Solheim, Minister of the Environment and International Development, and Andrew Steer, World Bank Special Envoy for Climate Change
13:15	<i>Lunch break and contact groups on draft PC Resolutions</i>
5. FCPF Program Evaluation (continued)	
14:15	5. (continued)
7. Organizational Matters	
15:00	7a. Management of PC Meetings: Time management and upcoming meetings (PC discussion)
16:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:15	7b. Forest-Dependent Indigenous Peoples and Forest Dwellers' proposals on global consultation and self-selection: Update and implications (Joan Carling and Peter Saile)
17:15	7c. FY2012 Readiness Fund budget (Eliza Winters)
19:15	<i>Dinner and contact groups on draft PC Resolutions</i>

Wednesday, June 22

07:00	<i>Breakfast and contact groups on draft PC Resolutions</i>
8. Informal Country Presentations	
08:45	8a. Colombia (Lucio Santos and Camilo Ortega, TAP and PC)
09:30	8b. Nicaragua (Roberto Araquistain and Javier Gutierrez, TAP and PC)
10:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
9. Knowledge Sharing Panel II: Preparing for Carbon Transactions	
10:30	9a. Panel presentations and discussion on Countries' experiences with benefit-sharing
12:15	<i>Lunch break and contact groups on draft PC Resolutions</i>
13:15	9b. Discussions on FCPF Carbon Fund (Benoît Bosquet, Eliza Winters, Charles Di Leva)
14:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
10. Resolutions and Additional Decisions	
15:00	10a. Adoption of PC Resolutions
16:00	10b. Additional decisions
18:30-22:00	<i>Reception hosted by the Government of Norway, Polar Museum, Oslo</i>



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Annotated Agenda

The meeting will be held at the Hotel Bristol (Kristian IV's gate 7, 0164 Oslo, Norway / www.bristol.no).

Session 1b (Opening)

The FMT will welcome Participants with highlights of where the FCPF stands today. Mr. Kjetil Lund, State Secretary, Norwegian Ministry of Finance, co-chair of the Transitional Committee for the design of the Green Climate Fund, and the Prime Minister's sherpa on climate change, will officially welcome meeting participants.

Session 1d (Rules of Procedure)

In response to requests from the PC Members, the FMT circulated a proposed amendment to the Rules of Procedure for the PC Meeting, outlining the procedures for 1) establishing contact groups during PC meetings, and 2) selecting co-chairs for PC meetings. In accordance with the existing Rules of Procedures, the FMT circulated the proposal to the PC Members and the observers on May 26, 2011, for approval on a no-objection basis by the PC Members by the start of PC9 on June 20, 2011. As of June 19, no objections had been received.

Session 2 (Report of the Task Force on Multiple Delivery Partners under the Readiness Fund)

Resolution PC/7/2010/4 on Piloting Multiple Delivery Partners requested the Task Force to complete its work prior to PC9 with a view to approval of a common approach to environmental and social safeguards by the PC at PC9. In addition, Resolution PC/8/2011/3 requested the Task Force to report to PC9 on its recommendations for:

- i. the types of lessons to be learned from the development of the Common Approach and the pilots; the timeline for when these lessons are likely to be learned, including in relation to the tenth meeting of the PC; and the type of information needed, ways of and responsibility for acquiring it; and
- ii. targeted outreach on the Common Approach.

The Task Force will report on the draft Common Approach and planned actions for approval.

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In the additional decisions adopted at PC8, the PC requested the FMT to inform PC9 of other REDD Country Participants and potential delivery partners that might be appropriate for consideration, with a view to informing the decision on Multiple Delivery Partners to be taken no later than PC10. The FMT will present a status report.

Background documentation: The current drafts of the “Common Approach to Environmental and Social Safeguards for Multiple Delivery Partners” (in English, French and Spanish) and “FCPF Readiness Fund Disclosure Guidance”, together with a conveyance memo from the Task Force to the PC, and relevant documents and background materials, will be available on the FCPF website at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/node/301>. The FMT will also report on possible pairs between additional pilot countries and Delivery Partners.

Expected PC actions: consider and approve a Resolution on the Common Approach based on the Task Force’s report, including:

1. approval of the Common Approach;
2. approval of the first Delivery Partners besides the World Bank;
3. the instruction to the Trustee to enter into negotiations of Transfer Agreements with the Delivery Partners;
4. the process for approving future Delivery Partners from among those listed in PC/4/2010/7;
5. the lessons to be learnt by PC10; and
6. planned targeted outreach on the Common Approach.

Session 3a (Presentation of ad hoc Technical Advisory Panels)

The FMT continues to manage the TAP process on the basis of the draft Program Document FMT 2009-1-Rev. 4 presented at PC5, while working to ensure its efficiency. Accordingly, as was done at PC6 and PC7, the reviews of R-PPs submitted for consideration at PC8 were conducted by (1) teams of TAP members who reviewed multiple R-PPs; and (2) groups of PC members who reviewed multiple R-PPs. The FMT will present the TAPs that reviewed the R-PPs.

In addition, the PC8 Additional Decisions requested the FMT to consider comments received on the R-PP template, and continue cooperation with the UN-REDD Programme to produce a revised draft R-PP template. REDD Countries submitting R-PPs for consideration at PC9 were requested to use the December 22, 2010 template, which all four countries have done. The FMT briefly will update the PC on the changes under consideration for the template and the status of the revision process.

Background documentation: The draft R-PP template (*Draft R-PP Template v. 5: 12-22-10*) is available in the “Templates and Guidance” section of the FCPF website at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/>. The document outlining the R-PP review process was updated to reflect the changes made to the R-PP template. This *Program Document 2009-1-Rev.5 R-PP Assessment 01-10-2011* is also available at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/>.

Session 3b (TAP's overview of R-PPs)

The TAP will give a single overview presentation of their assessments of the two R-PPs submitted for formal consideration at PC9, as well as the two informal submissions. Any additional country-specific comments will be provided by the TAP in the individual R-PP sessions.

Background documentation: The TAP synthesis reviews for each R-PP will be available on the FCPF website at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/node/300>.

Sessions 3c-3d (R-PP assessment)

Liberia and Uganda have submitted R-PPs for formal assessment by the PC. The country representatives will present their R-PPs, followed by brief comments by the TAP, the PC reviewers, and the respective (potential) delivery partner if relevant. The PC will then discuss the R-PP.

Background documentation: The R-PPs, TAP synthesis reviews, and preliminary PC synthesis reviews will be available on the FCPF website at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/node/300>.

Expected PC action: The assessments of these R-PPs could conclude in Resolutions by the PC as to whether each R-PP provides a sufficient basis for funding to move ahead with preparation for readiness and to request the delivery partner to complete due diligence with a view to entering into a grant agreement.

Session 4 (Knowledge Sharing Panel I: Readiness Review and Package)

The principal objective of the FCPF Readiness Fund is to prepare countries for future performance-based REDD+ payments. This requires planning, capacity building and technical work in a variety of areas. A total of 17 FCPF countries have formally presented their R-PPs to the PC to date and are working on the implementation of the proposed readiness activities. The FCPF Carbon Fund builds on these preparation activities and supports countries that have made considerable progress towards readiness. The FCPF Carbon Fund is designed to test and evaluate incentive payments for REDD+ programs and promote learning from demonstration activities as an interim step towards a full international REDD+ mechanism, which is currently being discussed under the UNFCCC.

This Knowledge Sharing Panel on REDD+ Readiness allows countries to discuss the core elements of REDD+ readiness from their perspective. Countries will present progress made to date and planned activities to advance REDD+ readiness. The focus of the session is on the core elements of REDD+ readiness, including the development of (1) reference emission levels, (2) MRV, (3) a REDD+ strategy, and (4) an Environmental and Social Management Framework. Countries will address the following questions:

1. What could be core elements for the R-Package? How should the R-Package be reviewed and assessed?
2. What is the current status of national readiness efforts? What milestones have been reached?

The FMT will give a short presentation to set the context for the session, followed by short 15-minute presentations by FCPF countries and a discussion among PC members.

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Session 5 (FCPF Program Evaluation)

The consortium composed of Baastel of Canada and the Nordic Agency for Development and Ecology (NORDECO) from Denmark conducted the first FCPF program evaluation. A PC working group was established to structure the discussions on the recommendations from the Evaluation Report at PC9. Baastel and NORDECO will present the discussions of the working group and the FMT will present brief comments. Alain Lafontaine and two members of the PC Working Group (Germany and Mexico) will facilitate the session.

Background documentation: The draft report is available at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/node/300>. Comments were invited from PC members and observers by June 2, 2011. The final report will be made available on the FCPF website one week before the PC meeting. A brief report summarizing the discussions of the PC working group will be posted on the FCPF website, together with a response to the evaluation report by World Bank Management. An FMT Note on options for improving FCPF communications will also be available on the website, in response to discussions at PC8 and the recommendations of the evaluation.

Expected PC action: Discuss the key findings of the report and suggest follow-up actions based on recommendations in the evaluation report and presentation of the PC working group.

Session 7a (Management of PC Meetings: Time management and upcoming meetings)

The PC will discuss ideas for how to manage PC meetings, including how to manage time and what topics to focus on.

Session 7b (Forest-Dependent Indigenous Peoples and Forest Dwellers' proposals on global consultation and self-selection: Update and implications)

At PC8, representatives of Forest-Dependent Indigenous Peoples and Forest Dwellers proposed to select their representative(s) to serve as the FCPF Observer(s). This process of self selection was conducted for Africa and Asia during the recent United Nation Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII) in New York, in May 2011. The Africa Caucus met and self selected two IP representatives – one from Anglophone and another from Francophone Africa. No alternates were identified. Similarly the Asia Caucus also self selected one representative and one alternate. The Latin America region planned to conduct their self selection through the Latin America Climate Change network that met recently in Barcelona.

PC8 Additional Decisions also requested the FMT to inform the PC of the budget implications of this proposal.

In addition, Forest-Dependent Indigenous Peoples and Forest Dwellers sent a letter to World Bank management on April 11, 2011, in which they requested the World Bank to conduct a global consultation meeting with Indigenous Peoples on the FCPF. This global consultation will enable IPs to: 1) gain better understanding of FCPF programs, mechanisms, procedures; 2) discuss the implementation of the Cancun Agreement on REDD+ and reach a common understanding on how FCPF will implement this in relation to the Draft Guidelines on Stakeholders Engagement in REDD+ Readiness; and 3) discuss the views, concerns of indigenous peoples and the implications of the FCPF Multiple Delivery Partner arrangement—in particular the use of environmental and social safeguards—and the implications of the Carbon Fund to

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indigenous peoples. The representatives of Forest-Dependent Indigenous Peoples and Forest Dwellers and the FMT will present updates on these proposals.

Background documentation: An FMT Note which will provide an update of the global consultation and self-selection processes will be made available at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/node/300>. The above mentioned letter dated April 11, 2011, and the World Bank management's response will also be made available at the same link. The above mentioned Draft Guidelines on Stakeholder Engagement in REDD+ Readiness, produced jointly by FCPF and UN-REDD, are available in English, French and Spanish at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/>.

Expected PC actions: In October 2009, the PC approved \$75,000 to support the selection and participation of an IP observer in FCPF meetings. These funds were not spent in FY09, FY10 or FY11. The PC may, inter alia, approve the use of these funds as part of the FY12 budget (session 7c), to support participation of the observers who have been selected through the self-selection process.

Session 7c (FY2012 Readiness Fund budget)

The FMT will present its FY12 budget proposal to the PC for approval. FY12 begins on July 1, 2011, and a review of estimated expenditures through FY11 will also be provided, with the final FY11 accounts and FY11 Annual Report to be provided before PA4/PC10.

Background documentation: A presentation on the proposed FY12 budget will be made available in advance of the meeting.

Expected PC actions: A PC resolution approving the base FY12 budget plus decisions on specific additional activities such as self-selection of the Forest-Dependent Indigenous Peoples and Forest Dwellers' observer, continuation of the task force work on multiple delivery partners and other items.

Session 8a-8b (Informal Country presentations)

Colombia and Nicaragua have submitted draft R-PPs for informal presentation. The country representatives will present their R-PPs, followed by brief comments by the TAP, comments by the PC reviewers, and a discussion by the PC.

Background documentation: The R-PPs, TAP synthesis reviews, and preliminary PC synthesis reviews will be available on the FCPF website at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/node/300>.

Expected PC action: The PC will discuss the R-PPs. The PC's comments will be provided for the consideration of the submitting countries as they update their R-PPs and resubmit them for formal assessment at a later date. No PC resolutions are expected on these R-PPs.

9a. Knowledge Sharing Panel II: Preparing for Carbon Transactions

Payments for environmental services (PES), participatory forest management (PFM), and forest concession revenue-sharing arrangements are commonly known approaches from which countries can draw potential lessons for REDD+ benefit-sharing.

The FMT will give a short presentation to set the context for the session, followed by a panel discussion composed of PC countries that will explore different benefit-sharing mechanisms and experiences in PES, PFM and forest concessions, and how to build on these approaches to design a successful national REDD+ benefit-sharing mechanism for implementing carbon transactions, including how to share costs. Countries will address the following questions:

1. What are the good lessons from PES, PFM and forest concessions that can be taken for the design of a benefit-sharing mechanism for REDD+?
2. What lessons have been learned and what issues have been raised in the context of forest concessions?
3. How can a country secure multiple income sources for REDD+ and how different sources should be managed?

9b. (Discussions on FCPF Carbon Fund)

The FMT will provide an update on the Carbon Fund, which became operational in May 2011, including an update on the recent Charter Amendment which was notified by email to the Participants Assembly on May 24, 2011.

Background documentation: The FCPF Carbon Fund Issues Note was updated on December 22, 2010 (with a minor correction made on February 9, 2011) and is accessible at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/sites/forestcarbonpartnership.org/files/Documents/PDF/Mar2011/FCPF%20Carbon%20Fund%20Issues%20Note%2002-09-11.pdf>. It is also available in French and Spanish. The publicly accessible documents from the recent organizational meeting, including the draft Rules of Procedure, will be posted at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/node/277>.

Expected PC action: Provide feedback on the draft Rules of Procedure for the Carbon Fund and the Carbon Fund Action Plan, both of which will be made available at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/node/277>.

Session 10a (Adoption of PC Resolutions)

The FMT will present the draft resolutions that have been discussed and refined by contact groups throughout the PC9 meeting. The PC will formally discuss and adopt each PC resolution in plenary.

Background documentation: Draft resolutions will be circulated during the PC9 meeting for discussion and refinement by contact groups.

Expected PC action: Adopt the resolutions, if necessary subject to changes.

Session 10b (Additional decisions and any other items)

Items that were not captured in previous sessions may be briefly discussed and acted upon in this last session.

Reception hosted by the Government of Norway

Buses will leave from the Bristol hotel at 18:30 and take guests to the Polar Museum. Buses will take participants back to the Bristol hotel at 22:00. Guests wishing to leave the reception earlier can take a ferry back to the harbor area.

FMT's Summary Proposal on Need for PC Resolutions and Contact Groups/Working Groups

Topic	Resolution	Contact Group / Working Group	Group Facilitator from FMT/WB
Liberia R-PP	X	X	Neeta
Uganda R-PP	X	X	Stephanie
Multiple Delivery Partners	X	X	Benoît
FY12 Budget	X		
Rules of Procedure (Observers)		X	Sachiko
Evaluation		X	Neeta