

Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

Additional Decisions



Participants Committee Meeting (FCPF PC5) La Lope, Gabon - March 22-25, 2010

Enhancing the R-PP Review Process

- The PC appreciated the work of the Technical Advisory Panel (TAP), and requests the FMT to:
 - Continue to manage the TAP process on the basis of the draft Program Document FMT 2009-1-Rev. 4, while working to ensure its efficiency.
 - Work to assemble and share lessons learned and emerging good practices on R-PP development, to assist countries who are generating R-PPs, and to contribute to other knowledge sharing products as feasible.



Nominations of Experts

- The PC invites PC members, the FMT and others to provide additional nominations to expand the existing TAP Roster of Experts to include a fuller range of expertise relevant for review of R-PPs.
- Such additional expertise may include experience in the countries whose R-PPs are being reviewed, an understanding of wider economic alternatives, global and national drivers of deforestation outside the forestry sector, and sustainable REDD+ investment opportunities (including by the private sector).



Enhancing R-PP Preparation

- The PC notes that the majority of R-PPs to date only partially meet the standard for R-PP components 2c and 4b, REDD Implementation Framework and Other Benefits and Impacts, and requests the FMT to provide additional guidance and clarification to facilitate Participants' meeting this standard.
- The PC encourages countries submitting R-PPs to follow the guidance contained in R-PP template on the format, content, and length of the R-PP.



PC Role in R-PP Assessment

- The PC noted the benefits of having PC members reviewing R-PPs ahead of the PC meetings.
- The PC requests the FMT to provide a simple format for reviews, and any further proposed guidance on the timing and the relationship of these intermediary PC members' reviews to the TAP review and PC assessment processes.



R-PP Submissions

- In order to plan the workload, the PC requests REDD Country Participants to advise as soon as possible when they plan to submit R-PPs for either:
 - Formal PC assessment, or
 - Informal TAP review and PC discussion of a draft R-PP.



Progress Report

- The FMT will prepare a simple framework for reporting on progress in Readiness Fund implementation.
- The FMT will share the proposed framework with the PC and Observers for comment.
- This framework would contain qualitative and quantitative information on R-PP progress, including status of commitments and disbursements.
- The first progress report will be issued before PC6, to allow for discussion of it at PC6.



Observer Status for Countries

- In accordance with FMT Program Note FMT 2010-15, the PC welcomes the expressions of interest in observing the FCPF Participants Assembly Meetings, by:
 - Bhutan, Guinea, Nigeria, Sudan
- The PC requests the FMT to add consideration of this item and its implications to the agenda of PC6
- The PC recalls the report on the recent Forest Investment Program (FIP) meeting in Manila, and, to promote cooperation across international REDD programs, would welcome any expression of interest in observing the next FCPF PC meeting from:
 - Burkina Faso.



Draft R-PP Reviews

- The FMT will produce summary reports of the discussions held during the PC meeting of presentations of the draft R-PPs from:
 - Argentina
 - Madagascar
 - Suriname.
- The FMT will share these informal reports with each of these Countries to seek their views prior to publishing them on the FCPF web site in a timely manner.
- The reports are for information only and do not represent all the views expressed during the meeting, nor the views of the Countries, PC, observers or the FMT



Evaluation

- The PC will provide any comments on Program
 Document FMT 2010-13 (proposing evaluation of FCPF), and prioritize topics for the first evaluation, by April 15, 2010.
- The PC requests the FMT to provide draft TOR for the proposed evaluation within three weeks.
- The PC is invited to provide its no objection to the TOR by May 15, 2010.
- The FMT will initiate the procurement process for the first evaluation of the FCPF, on the basis these TORs, and report progress at PC6.
- The PC decides to form a small ad hoc working group to provide guidance to this evaluation.

Strategic Environmental & Social Assessment

- The PC discussed the proposed SESA guidance in Program Document FMT 2010-9, and noted the need for further discussion.
- The PC requests the FMT to:
 - Reflect on discussions by the PC, including the need for additional awareness raising and some practical examples of its application.
 - Include an agenda item on this topic for the upcoming PC6 meeting in June, 2010, potentially including an example of how SESA could be implemented in a country context.



Next Meetings

- In the spirit of cooperation with the UN-REDD Programme and the Forest Investment Program, the PC requests the FMT to coordinate meetings, and to provide for discussion of cooperation at each meeting.
- The next FCPF meetings will be the following:
 - PC6: Guyana (week of June 28, 2010) To be confirmed
 - PA3/PC7: Washington, DC (week of October 25-29, 2010), coordinated with UN-REDD and FIP
 - PC8: Vietnam offered to host (March 2011), coordinated with UN-REDD and FIP - To be confirmed
 - PC9: Norway offered to host (June 2011) To be confirmed
 - PA4/PC10: Germany offered to host (October 2011) To be confirmed