

Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF)
Participants Committee
Seventeenth Meeting (PC17)

Meeting room: Huascaran 123

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Wednesday-Friday, July 2-4, 2014

Wednesday, July 2

08:00	<i>Registration</i>
1. Opening	
09:00	1a. Welcome (Ellysar Baroudy)
09:15	1b. Official opening (José Antonio González Norris, Director of the Office of International Negotiations and Cooperation, Ministry of Environment, Peru; and James Close, Director of Climate Change, World Bank)
10:00	1c. Review and approval of meeting agenda (Gustavo Suárez de Freitas Calmet, Peru, and John Verdieck, United States, as Co-Chairs)
10:10	1d. Overview of contact groups and PC Resolutions (Sachiko Morita)
10:15	1e. FMT's update on progress made since PC16 (Ellysar Baroudy)
11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
2. Country mid-term progress reports with requests for additional funding	
11:30	2a. Costa Rica (Jorge Mario Rodríguez, Costa Rica; World Bank) – <i>resolution sought</i>
12:45	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00	2b. Ghana (Robert Bamfo, Ghana; World Bank) – <i>resolution sought</i>
15:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:45	2c. Indonesia (Niken Sakuntaladewi and Ari Wibowo, Indonesia; World Bank) – <i>resolution sought</i>
3. Introduction to R-PP Reviews	
17:00	3a. Introduction and presentation of ad hoc TAPs for PC17 R-PPs (Leonel Iglesias)
17:15	3b. TAP overview of R-PPs presented at PC17 (TAP)
18:00	<i>End of day and Contact groups #1-3 on draft PC Resolutions</i>

Thursday, July 3

07:30	Contact groups on draft PC Resolutions #1-3 if needed	
4. R-PP Reviews: Existing REDD Countries with Guaranteed Access to Funding		
08:30	4. Madagascar (Mamitiana Andriamanjato; World Bank; TAP; Working Group) – Resolution sought	
09:45	Coffee break	
5. R-PP Reviews Existing REDD Countries without Guaranteed Access to Funding		
10:15	5. Paraguay (Stephanie Petta; UNDP; TAP; Working Group) – Resolution sought	
6. Status of Existing REDD Countries and Selection of New REDD Countries into the FCPF		
11:30	6a. Status of existing REDD Countries, reopening of the FCPF to new countries, and requests from additional countries to join the FCPF (Stephanie Tam) Resolutions sought on: i. Any exceptions to May 31 deadline for existing REDD Countries to sign Grant Agreements; ii. Selection of new REDD Countries; iii. Individual Resolutions for each Country selected into the FCPF, to allocate funding and identify key issues to be addressed in their Revised R-PPs. Guidance sought on: Accepting additional countries as observers.	
12:45	Lunch break and contact groups on draft PC Resolutions #4-6	
14:15	6b. Uruguay (Juan Pablo Nebel Fuentes; TAP; Working Group)	
15:30	Coffee break	
16:00	6c. Belize (Tanya Santos; TAP; Working Group)	6d. Sudan (Sudan, TAP, Working Group)
17:15	6e. Presentation by working group to select new countries (Working Group member), followed by discussion in plenary	
18:00	End of day and contact groups on draft PC Resolutions #7-9	
19:30	Contact groups on draft PC Resolutions #4-6, if needed	

Friday, July 4

08:00	<i>Contact groups on draft PC Resolutions, if needed</i>
7. Carbon Fund	
09:00	7. Draft General Conditions of a future Emission Reductions Payment Agreement (ERPA) (Markus Pohlmann and Ellysar Baroudy)
10:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
8. FY15 Readiness Fund Budget	
11:15	8. Presentation of FY15 budget proposal (Simon Whitehouse) – <i>Resolution sought</i>
9. Other	
12:00	9. Facilitating decision making: Discussion on use of virtual decision making process going forward (Stephanie Tam)
12:45	<i>Lunch break, contact groups on draft PC Resolution #10, if needed</i>
10. Social Inclusion	
14:00	10. Fostering Social Inclusion through the FCPF Capacity Building Program and Related Initiatives (Luis Felipe Duchicela, World Bank Indigenous Peoples Advisor, representatives from the FMT and from Capacity Building Program grant recipient organizations)
15:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11. Updates from other initiatives	
16:00	11a. Update from UN-REDD (Mario Boccucci)
16:15	11b. Update on progress under the Forest Investment Program (Andrea Kutter)
12. Closing	
16:30	12a. Next meetings (Erin Conner)
16:45	12b. Adoption of PC Resolutions (Sachiko Morita)
17:30	12c. Co-chairs' conclusions (Co-chairs)
18:00	<i>End of meeting</i>
	<i>Dinner reception for FCPF and UN-REDD participants</i>

ANNOTATIONS

All background documents will be available on the PC17 page of the FCPF website at <https://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/PC17> prior to the meeting.

Session 1c. Review and approval of meeting agenda

The PC17 Co-chairs (Peru, on behalf of the REDD Country Participants and the United States, on behalf of the financial contributors) will introduce and request approval for the agenda, focusing on the key topics and objectives and expected PC actions.

Session 1d. Overview of contact groups and PC Resolutions

The FMT will briefly provide an update on the request received for a Women's Observer to participate in PC meetings. The FMT will also introduce the topics that require deliberation in the PC contact groups and adoption of a PC Resolution at PC17. See table below.

Resolution # and Topic	FMT Facilitator (first name is lead facilitator)	Meeting Room	Wed. evening	Thurs. morning	Thurs. lunch	Thurs. 6:00pm	Thurs. 7:30pm	Friday morning	Friday lunch
1. Costa Rica's request for \$5m additional funding	Leonel Iglesias, Stephanie Tam, Zenia Salinas	Huandoy							
2. Ghana's request for \$5m additional funding	Neeta Hooda, Nina Doetinchem	Alpamayo							
3. Indonesia's request for \$5m additional funding	Alex Lotsch, Haddy Sey, Mirtha Escobar	Salkantay							
4. Madagascar's R-PP	Daniela Goehler, Erin Conner	Alpamayo							
5. Paraguay's R-PP	Leonel Iglesias, Zenia Salinas	Huandoy							
6. Status of existing REDD Countries and Reopening FCPF to new countries	Stephanie Tam, Simon Whitehouse	Salkantay							
7. Uruguay's R-PP	Leonel Iglesias, Mirtha Escobar	Huandoy							
8. Belize's R-PP	Kenn Rapp, Zenia Salinas	Salkantay							
9. Sudan's R-PP	Neeta Hooda, Erin Conner	Alpamayo							
10. FY15 Budget	Simon Whitehouse, Erin Conner	Alpamayo							

Session 1e. FMT's update on progress made since PC16

Background: The FMT will provide an update on recent FCPF developments and prospects.

Background documentation: The updated Dashboard and Country Progress Sheets are being made available on the FCPF website.

Expected PC action: None.

Session 2a-c. Mid-term progress reports with requests for additional funding

Costa Rica, Ghana and Indonesia will present their mid-term progress reports on progress in the implementation of their FCPF grants. Each country will also present a request for additional FCPF funds to the ongoing REDD+ Readiness process and seek the PC's approval.

Background documentation: The criteria and process for considering a request for additional funding are laid out in Resolution PC/10/2011/1.rev and Resolution PC/12/2012/2. The countries' mid-term progress reports are available on the PC17 website.

Expected PC action: Adopt a resolution for each country if PC approves allocation of additional funds.

Session 3a. Presentation of ad hoc Technical Advisory Panels and PC reviewers for PC17 R-PPs

The FMT will present an overview of the TAP members and PC members who reviewed the R-PPs. The assessment of R-PPs submitted for consideration at PC17 were conducted by teams of TAP members and teams of PC members and observers who reviewed 5 R-PPs.

Background documentation: The R-PPs from the 5 Countries, and the corresponding TAP reviews, are available on the PC17 webpage. The R-PP Review Template outlining the review process is available in the "Templates and Guidance" section at <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/>. Version 6 of the R-PP template is also available on the FCPF website.

Expected PC action: None.

Session 3b. TAP's overview of R-PPs presented at PC17

The TAP lead reviewers will give a single overview presentation of their assessments of the R-PP submitted for formal consideration at PC17. Any additional country-specific comments will be provided by the TAP in the individual R-PP sessions.

Background documentation: The TAP reviews of each R-PP will be available on the PC17 webpage.

Expected PC action: None.

Session 4. R-PPs from existing REDD Countries with guaranteed access to funding

Madagascar will present its R-PP for assessment by the PC. After presentation by the country representative, TAP and PC members will share observations with the PC. The following discussion in plenary will provide additional elements for a contact group to prepare a draft PC resolution.

Background documentation: The R-PP, TAP synthesis review, and preliminary PC synthesis reviews for each country will be available on the PC17 webpage.

Expected PC action: The PC could adopt a resolution as to whether the respective 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 5. R-PPs from existing REDD Countries without guaranteed access to funding

Paraguay will present its R-PP for assessment by the PC. After presentation by the country representative, TAP and PC members will share observations with the PC. The following discussion in plenary will provide additional elements for a contact group to prepare a draft PC resolution.

Background documentation: The R-PP, TAP synthesis review, and preliminary PC synthesis reviews for each country will be available on the PC17 webpage.

Expected PC action: The PC could adopt a resolution as to whether the respective 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 6. Status of Existing REDD Countries and Selection of New REDD Countries into the FCPF

The FMT will present the current status of FCPF countries (e.g., which countries have been allocated funding, have submitted revised R-PPs by the deadline, have signed grants by the May 31 deadline, etc.), and the implications on the level of funds available for selecting new countries into the FCPF. As per Resolution PC/14/2013/2, any REDD Country Participants who have been allocated Readiness Preparation Grant funding by the PC at or before PC14, and have not signed their Readiness Preparation Grant Agreement (or equivalent) by May 31, 2014, will lose guaranteed access to Readiness Preparation Grant funding, unless the PC decides otherwise on an exceptional basis.

In addition, additional countries have expressed interest in joining the FCPF. As per Resolution PC/11/2012/4, such countries are not eligible to join the FCPF. The FMT will present their requests and options for potentially including them as observers to the FCPF.

Background documentation: FMT Note 2014-1 on the status of existing REDD Countries, the reopening of the FCPF to new countries, and requests from new countries will be available on the PC17 website prior to the meeting.

Expected PC action: The PC is expected to:

- 1) decide whether any of the relevant REDD Countries that has not yet signed a Grant Agreement (or equivalent) should be granted an exception and maintain its guaranteed access to funding. If the decision is to grant extensions, the PC shall adopt a resolution stating which countries will receive an extension and, if so, until what date.
- 2) Adopt a resolution on which Qualified Eligible REDD Countries are selected into the FCPF.
- 3) Adopt individual resolutions for each new Country selected into the FCPF, in order to allocate funding to these Countries and identify key issues to be addressed in their Revised R-PPs (see sessions 7b-d).

Session 6b-d. R-PPs from Candidate Countries

Three Countries will present their R-PPs for assessment by the PC. After a presentation by each country, TAP and PC members will share observations with the PC. The following discussion in plenary will provide additional elements for a contact group to prepare a draft PC resolution.

Background documentation: The R-PP, TAP synthesis review, and preliminary PC synthesis reviews for each country will be available on the PC17 webpage.

Expected PC action: The PC could adopt a resolution as to whether the respective 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 6e. Presentation by the Working Group to select new countries, on its assessments across countries

The Working Group will present its recommendation on which countries to select into the FCPF.

Background documentation: The Working Group's reviews of each R-PP will be available on the PC17 website.

Expected PC action: See session 7a.

Session 7. Draft General Conditions of a future Emission Reductions Payment Agreement (ERPA)

Background: The ERPA General Conditions are based on the ERPA Term Sheet that was endorsed by the PC at the fourteenth PC meeting (Resolution PC/14/2013/9). The Trustee will walk PC participants through the structure of the draft ERPA General Conditions and answer any questions PC participants may have. This session is for information and feedback, in preparation for PC18, where the PC is expected to approve the General Conditions.

Expected CFP action: None at PC17. The ERPA General Conditions are expected to be approved at PC18 in November 2014.

Session 8. Presentation of FY15 budget proposal

The FMT will present its Fiscal Year 2015 (FY15) budget proposal to the PC for approval. FY15 begins on July 1, 2014, and a review of estimated expenditures through FY14 will also be provided, with the final FY14 accounts to be provided as part of the FY14 Annual Report before PA7/PC18.

Background documentation: A presentation and FMT Note 2014-2 on the proposed FY15 budget will be available on the PC17 webpage.

Expected PC action: The PC would adopt a Resolution approving the FY15 budget.

Session 9. Facilitating decision making: Use of virtual decision making process going forward

As of 2014, the FCPF has changed from a schedule of three PC meetings per year to two. This decreases the number of in-person meetings at which decisions can be made, including decisions to allocate funds to countries. This has the potential to slow progress in Countries, as well as progress in the FCPF Readiness Fund and Carbon Fund overall. In order to minimize this impact, PC16 agreed to use a virtual

process for some PC reviews and decisions (R-PP reviews, allocation of \$3.8 million Readiness Preparation grants, and Mid-Term Progress report reviews), but requested more details on exactly how virtual processes would work. The FMT will present a proposed process and timeline, based on the existing procedures for virtual decision-making. PC16 also indicated that the PC had not yet had enough experience with requests for additional funding, to be able to approve such requests virtually.

Background documentation: The FMT presentation is available on the PC17 website.

Expected PC action: The PC could provide guidance on the proposed process for virtual review/decision-making, how to facilitate discussions and decision-making virtually, and on what types of information Participants need to feed into virtual reviews/decisions. In addition, following the three requests for additional funding decided on at PC17, the PC may also provide further guidance on whether such requests can be decided on virtually.

Session 10. Fostering Social Inclusion through FCPF Capacity Building Program and Related Initiatives

With social inclusion at the heart of so much of what the FCPF is trying to do, this is an opportune time to take account of various initiatives from the past two-plus years that have aimed to promote the full and effective participation of forest-dependent indigenous peoples, other forest dwellers, and Southern CSOs in REDD+ Readiness processes. This integrated session will start with an address from Luis Felipe Duchicela, the World Bank's Indigenous Peoples Advisor, on how the internal reorganization of the World Bank is expected to enhance its support for indigenous peoples' visions of their own development. It will continue with a short report, coordinated by Haddy Sey of the FMT, on the recently completed cycle of five "Capacity Building for Social Inclusion" regional training workshops. The session will conclude with an update and a panel discussion, both coordinated by Kenn Rapp of the FMT, on the FCPF Capacity Building Program (CBP) for Forest-Dependent Peoples and Southern CSOs. The panel will feature short, targeted presentations by the following representatives of CBP beneficiary organizations from the Africa, Asia-Pacific, and Latin America regions, respectively:

- **Samson Samuel Ogallah**, Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA)
- **Tunga Rai**, Nepal Federation of Indigenous Nationalities (NEFIN)
- **Onel Masardule**, Foundation for the Promotion of Indigenous Knowledge (FCPI)

At the conclusion of the various presentations, there will be time for a Question and Answer exchange.

Background documentation: Reports from the regional training workshops are being made available at <https://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/capacity-building-social-inclusion-regional-workshops>

Expected PC action: No formal action is expected.

Sessions 11a-b. Updates from UN-REDD and the Forest Investment Program

Representatives of the UN-REDD Programme and the Forest Investment Program will present on developments in their respective initiatives, including recent meetings.

Session 12a. Next meetings

The FMT will present the proposed dates and venues for upcoming FCPF meetings.

Expected PC action: Provide guidance and potentially approve the dates for the upcoming meetings.