Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme Meeting decisions 16 April 2015

Participants:

MG members and alternates FAO: Maria Sanz Sanchez

UNDP: Tim Clairs

UNEP: Tim Christophersen

Secretariat: Mario Boccucci, Thais Linhares Juvenal

Others

Secretariat: Mirey Atallah, Mike Spiers, Sharon McAuslan

1. Approval of minutes of previous week, 8 April

Actions:

a. Not discussed during call; cleared by email by UNEP, any FAO/UNDP feedback to be sent by email by close Mon 20 April, after which minutes will be considered approved on a no objection basis.

2. Preparation for Governance expert mtg, 24 April

Decisions and Actions:

a. Secretariat to send draft expert meeting agenda to MG by close Thurs 16 April. Additional documents will also be sent in preparation for quarterly MG meeting by 17 April.

3. Final check in on preparation for MG Q2 planning mtg, 21-22 April

Decisions and Actions:

a. MG to send any outstanding inputs by Friday 17 April to enable preparation of documents for quarterly meeting; Secretariat to send meeting documents by 17 April where possible, with remaining docs to follow by 20 April.

4. Check in on Principals/Norway communication

Decisions and Actions:

a. MG to send any feedback on draft Norway communication by 22 April; Secretariat to send draft accompanying annex by 18 April.

5. Establishment of thematic teams

Decisions and Actions:

- a. The MG agreed the importance of further encouraging engagement and information flow amongst colleagues, and agreed that whilst there is no 'one size fits all' approach, several light touch forums could be initiated in the first instance on the issues of REDD+ economics and UNFCCC developments:
 - REDD+ economics forum: Will be established as an interactive forum on the relaunched workspace where colleagues can share info and initiate discussions, managed by a moderator.
 - ii. UNFCCC developments: A mailing list will be created by the Sec with inputs from the relevant focal points in the agency teams who have a watching brief on the UNFCCC, in order to share and track information and identify key developments.
- b. The functionality of the revamped workspace will be tested via the initial forum, with a view to providing a platform for future forums.
- c. MG to provide contacts to Secretariat to initiate forums.

6. AOB

Decisions and Actions:

- a. Delay of finalization of Mongolia and Bangladesh NPDs (FAO): MG agreed that given the delay of finalization of the NPDs, the Secretariat should request a report from the regional teams to identify next steps/action to be taken. Mirey to request the update.
- 7. Next weeks call, 22 April: no call due to Q2 Planning Meeting.