

Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

28th Participants Committee Meeting (PC28) and 12th Participants Assembly Meeting (PA12)

> AGENDA November 11-14, 2019

Hotel Paradisus, Playa de Bavaro Punta Cana, Dominican Republic

28th Participants Committee Meeting (PC28) Monday, November 11, 2019

8:45-9:30	Registration				
1. Opening of Participants Committee Meeting (PC28)					
9:30-9:45	 a. Welcome Hon. Angel Francisco Estévez Bourdierd, Minister, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, Dominican Republic Alessandro Legrottaglie, Country Manager, Dominican Republic, World Bank 				
9:45-10:00	 b. Review and adoption of meeting agenda Co-Chairs: Pedro Garcia Brito, Climate Change Director, Environment and Natural Resources,				
2. Updates from Facility Management Team (FMT)					
10:00-10:45	 a. Update on Verification Guidelines & GFOI • Julian Gonzalo, FMT 				
10:45-11:15	Coffee break				
11:15-12:00	 b. Update on Registry Julian Gonzalo, FMT 				
	3. Closing				
12:00-12:15	a. Next meetingsYu Huan, FMT				
12:15-12:30	 b. Co-Chairs Conclusions Pedro Garcia Brito, Climate Change Director, Environment and Natural Resources, Dominican Republic (on behalf of REDD Country Participants) Nicolas Duval-Mace, Government of Canada (on behalf of Donor Participants) 				
12:30-1:30	Lunch				

12th Participants Assembly Meeting (PA12)

Monday, November 11, 2019 Day 1

	1. Opening of Participants Assembly Meeting (PA12)				
1.30-1.45	a. WelcomeSimon Whitehouse, Fund Manager, FMT				
1.45-2.00	 Review and approval of meeting agenda (Co-chairs) Pedro Garcia Brito, Climate Change Director, Environment and Natural Resources, Dominican Republic (on behalf of REDD Country Participants) Nicolas Duval-Mace, Government of Canada (on behalf of Donor Participants) 				
2. Reports from the FMT					
2:00-3:00	 a. Update on progress and presentation of FY19 Annual Report Siet Meijer, FMT 				
3. Extension of the closing date of the FCPF Readiness Fund					
3:00-4:00	 a. Presentation on the proposal to extend the FCPF Readiness Fund beyond December 31, 2020 – resolution sought Simon Whitehouse, FMT 				
4:00-4:15	Coffee break				
4:15-5:30	Contact group on extension of the FCPF Readiness Fund (if required)				
7:00	Dinner Reception, courtesy of Hotel Paradisus				
Tuesday, November 12, 2019 Day 2					
3. Extension of the closing date of the FCPF Readiness Fund (contd.)					
9:00-12:00	 b. Seek consensus from FCPF Participants Assembly on extension of the Readiness Fund or continuation of contact group (if required) Markus Pohlmann, Legal Department, World Bank 				
12:00-1:00	Lunch				

4. Remarks by Observers and Delivery Partners				
1:00-1:45	 a. Inter-American Development Bank Jaime Fernandez-Baca, IADB b. United Nations Development Programme & UN-REDD Programme Wahida Shah, Technical Specialist, UNDP c. Indigenous Peoples Grace Balawag, Deputy Program Coordinator, Tebtebba-Indigenous Peoples' International Centre for Policy research and Education d. Southern civil society organizations Luis Ramirez, Legal Advisor, Asociación de Comunidades Forestales de Petén (ACOFOP) e. Northern civil society organizations Breanna Lujan, Project Manager, Forest and Climate Policy, Environmental Defense Fund f. International Organizations			
	5. Legal Matters			
1:45-2:00	 a. Procedures for election of the Participants Committee and Bureau of the Participants Committee • Xiaoxin Shi, Legal Department, World Bank 			
2:00-3:00	 Election of the PC and PC Bureau Caucus of REDD Country Participants Caucus of Donor Participants and Carbon Fund Participants 			
3:00-3:15	 Report on results of the election of the PC and PC Bureau Xiaoxin Shi, Legal Department, World Bank 			
3:15-3:30	 d. Adaption of Resolutions Xiaoxin Shi, Legal Department, World Bank 			
3:30	Coffee break and end of PA12 meeting			

FCPF Knowledge Day Wednesday, November 13						
9:15-10:45	Session 1	Learning from Experience to Strengthen Benefit Sharing	Engaging the Private Sector in Forest Landscapes			
10:45-11:00	Coffee and transition to next sessions					
11:00-12:30	Session 2	Strengthening the Social Inclusion and Empowerment of Marginalized Communities in REDD+ Programs	Uniting the Blue and Green Carbon Agendas: REDD+ and Mangrove Forests			
12:30-1:30	Lunch					
1:30-3:15	Session 3	Knowledge Café (details will be shared at the meeting)				
3:15-3:30	Coffee and transition to next session					
3:30-4:30	Session 4	Demonstration of Carbon Assets Tracking System (CATS)				
6:00-9:00	Cocktail reception hosted by the Government of Dominican Republic					
Field Trip						
Thursday, November 14						
8:00-3:00	Bus leaves the hotel at 8am and returns to the hotel by 3pm (further details to be provided at the meeting prior to the field trip).					

ANNOTATIONS FOR PC28

Materials available at https://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/meetings

Session 1b. Review and adoption of meeting agenda

The PC28 Co-Chairs will introduce and request adoption for the agenda, focusing on the key topics and objectives and expected PC actions.

Sessions 2a. Update on Verification Guidelines & Global Forest Observations Initiative (GFOI)

The FMT will provide an update on the final Verification Guidelines under the FCPF Carbon Fund. In addition, the FMT will also present briefly on the Global Forest Observations Initiative (GFOI) partnership in relation to the support to FCPF. The purpose of the presentation is to seek approval from the PC for the FMT to submit a letter of endorsement to the GFOI leads confirming the important role GFOI plays in assisting REDD+ countries on MRV issues. The letter will be used to strengthen GFOI's policy mandate and hence confirm its standing as a GEO flagship.

Background documents: Presentation, and final Verification Guidelines. A draft endorsement letter and a more detailed presentation on the GFOI partnership will also be posted on the PC28 webpage.

Expected PC action: The PC is invited to take note of the verification guidelines and GFOI presentation. In addition, approval is sought from the PC on the endorsement letter for the GFOI which will be recorded in the Co-Chairs Summary.

Session 2b. Update on Registry

The FMT will present an update on the of the completed Phase 1 Central Transaction Registry (CATS – Carbon Assets Trading System). CATs is a platform solution to register and transfer emission reduction (ER) units generated under the FCPF Carbon Fund and Initiative for Sustainable Forest Landscapes (ISFL) ER Programs. A brief update on the outcome of the demonstration that has been carried out with some Carbon Fund countries will also be provided. A demonstration will be included during a separate session at the Knowledge Day, November 13.

Background documents: Presentation

Expected PC action: The PC is invited to take note of the presentation.

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Session 2a. Update on progress, and presentation of FY19 Annual Report

As per the FCPF Charter, the PC shall report to the PA at each Annual meeting on the decisions made by the PC and, where appropriate, other issues discussed by the PC. It is anticipated that the PC28 Co-chairs will defer to the FMT to provide this report, as well as to report on other progress made in the FCPF more broadly. As such, the FMT will present the Fiscal Year 2019 annual report which covers July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019, as well as specific progress made since PC27.

Background documentation: The Annual Report will be available on the PC28 webpage and FCPF home page. The FY19 update presentation will also be posted on the PC28 webpage. In addition, the updated Dashboard and Country Progress Sheets are available on the FCPF website.

Expected PC action: The PC is invited to take note of the FY19 update presentation and provide comments.

Session 3a-b. Extension of the closing date of the FCPF Readiness Fund

As per the FCPF Charter section 22.1 (a), the Readiness Fund shall be terminated on December 31, 2020. Further, as per section 23.2, the REDD Country Participants and Donor Participants may decide on or before the termination date, to continue the business of the Readiness Fund by unanimous consent of those Participants. Any extension of the term of the Readiness Fund shall require an amendment of the FCPF Charter.

The question of a possible extension was raised by Participants at the Participants Assembly in October 2018 (PA11). The Co-Chairs' Summary from that meeting recorded the following: "Participants requested that a discussion on extending the term of the Readiness Fund beyond 31 December 2020 be tabled for the next PA meeting (PA12). The FMT will prepare an FMT Note on options for extending the Term of the Readiness Fund to be discussed at PA12."

The FMT Note has been prepared and posted on the FCPF website and the options will be discussed at the PA12 meeting.

Background documentation: FMT Note on possible extension of the Readiness Fund beyond 2020 and presentation

Expected PC action: Participants are invited to review the note and a consensus will be sought from the REDD Country Participants and Donor Participants on the proposal in the FMT Note.

Sessions 4a-g. Remarks from Observers and Delivery Partners

The Observers recognized in the FCPF Charter and the Delivery Partners approved by the PC will make remarks on developments in the past fiscal year and looking forward into the future. Approximately six minutes will be set aside for each representative.

Expected PC action: The PC is invited to take note of the remarks.

Session 5a-c. Election of the Participants Committee and Bureau of the Participants Committee

Background documentation: FCPF Charter, sections 10.02 (b) and 11.2; Rules of Procedure for Meetings of the Participants Committee, article VII; and PC election criteria agreed by financial contributors in May 2011 are accessible at

http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/sites/fcp/files/Documents/tagged/6.FCPF%20PC%20Donor%20%26%20CF%20Participant%20Election%20Principles%2005-17-11.pdf.

Expected PA action: The Participants will break into caucus groups (REDD Country Participants in three groups by region, and Donor Participants and Carbon Participants in a single group) and elect their representatives (14 members each for the PC, among whom three Donor Participant and Carbon Participant members and five REDD Country Participant members to serve on the Bureau). REDD Country Participants will also elect 3 REDD Country Participants to attend the Carbon Fund Meetings as

Observers, in accordance with Section 8.01 of the Carbon Fund Rules and Procedure which are accessible at https://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/charter-and-rules-procedure

Session 5d. Adaption of Resolution

Background documentation: FMT Note 2019-2 "Proposal for Possible Extension of Readiness Fund beyond December 2020"

Expected PA action: The PA is invited to review the FMT Note 2019-2 and to adopt Resolution, which endorses a proposal documented in the FMT note.

Caucus	Focal point	Meeting Room
Financial Contributors	Simon Whitehouse	Main Meeting Room
REDD Countries - Africa	Siet Meijer	Mallorca
REDD Countries - Asia and the Pacific	Chie Ingvoldstad	Bavaro IV
REDD Countries - Latin America	Leonel Iglesias	Bavaro V