

REPORT TO THE FCPF from the UN-REDD Programme

Good morning colleagues, We would like to begin the presentation by informing the PC, that as many as you know the UN-REDD Programme's Secretariat has a new Head, Mr. Mario Boccucci, who started working with us in January this year.

Some general information on the Programme: Contributions to the UN-REDD Programme Fund increased as a result of additional contributions by the Governments of Norway, European Union, Spain and Luxemburg and it is now at US\$ 169 million. From this, US\$ 67 million were approved for NPs and US\$ 57 million were transferred.

In terms on some key figures, the UN-REDD Programme has now 47 partner countries, 16 of them receiving support through NPs, of which 13 overlap with the FCPF, and more than 20 receiving targeted support (new modality of support approved at PB 9). From the 16 countries with NPs, Viet Nam, Indonesia and the Philippines completed operations, and Tanzania and DRC are expected to do so this year; and Viet Nam had a final independent evaluation, which was presented at PB 10. In terms of the SNA-Global Programme, the Programme has provided support to countries and promoted south-south collaboration on MRV and monitoring (the 'National Forest Monitoring Systems: Monitoring and MRV in the Context of REDD+ Activities' document was concluded and launched at PB9 in Brazzaville), Governance (now streamlined integrating our areas of support), managing REDD+ funding, gender, stakeholder consultation and FPIC, safeguards and multiple benefits tools.

During the 10th Policy Board meeting last week, we had five information sessions two of them focused on topics that were part of the formal agenda (the Policy Board Review and Community-Based REDD+), as well as on Gender, Panama's National Programme, and Indonesia's experience on integrating Participatory Governance Assessment into its REDD+ framework. The Gender session was directed to discuss 'how to' integrate gender considerations into REDD+ policy and programming and request feedback for an *Information Note on Gender Sensitive REDD+* under development. On Panama, and as many of you may be aware, a complaint regarding the UN-REDD Programme was raised by

COONAPIP, the National Coordinating Body of Indigenous Peoples in Panama, who withdrew from the UN-REDD Programme in Panama in Feb 13. The Programme responded by launching an Independent Investigation and Evaluation of the NP in Panama. The preliminary findings of the independent evaluation indicate that, while there were no human rights violations, there were faults in the National Programme design, and a proper participatory process was not established in Panama. The preliminary findings of the investigation and evaluation were presented and discussed with PB members and observers and both the Panamanian government and COONAPIP had an opportunity to respond and share their views. PB members and observers highlighted the importance of resolving the conflict through dialogue, building upon the lessons provided by this case, and the high priority of completing the independent investigation and evaluation as the recommendations which will be used to determine the way forward. Finally Indonesia's PGA session was devoted to share key findings, recommendations and highlight the relevance of the PGA for REDD+ process in Indonesia, as well as the formal launch for the English version of the report. High level representatives from the Government of Indonesia; key stakeholders from Indonesian civil society

During the formal session, and after hearing the call from the Policy Board from enhancing the reporting system to be focused on results, we presented the consolidated annual report from 2012, and the individual National Programmes reports for 13 countries and spend some quality time discussing enhance results-based reporting and monitoring. The Board took several decisions including: Endorsement of the recommendations from the final independent evaluation of Viet Nam's UN-REDD National Programme and the Government and management responses, as well as recognized Viet Nam on completion of their UN-REDD National Programme. In response to the report of the Policy Board review, the Board agreed on enhancing participation on the Policy Board by increasing up to nine (9) donors seats to in the Board; and agreed on a process and roadmap to respond to the recommendations of the Policy Board Review. On funding allocations, after reviewing Colombia's R-PP version 7, the Board approved its 4 million USD funding allocation request. The Board also approved restoring budget reductions to Outcome 4 (Stakeholder engagement) for 380,000 USD, and 4 million to a new output Stakeholders at the community level engage in and contribute to the implementation of REDD+ Readiness through

community-based REDD+, focused on support to CBR+ with co-financing from the SGP-GEF-UNDP. Finally the Board took note of the FPIC guidelines.

The Programme is collaborating in several areas with the FCPF we would like to highlight some activities since we last met. The Programme overlaps with the FPFC in 14 countries with National Programmes, in these countries coordination has been of high priority and was realized in particular in countries where there is synchronization in relation of timing of implementation. Since 2012 the programme is using version 6 of R-PP which is harmonized among the 2 initiatives and we are drawing from a common roster of experts for the independent review process in UN-REDD. A conceptual framework for the UN-REDD Programme's support to countries on developing country-level approaches to safeguards, including safeguard information systems (SIS), was developed with inputs from the FCPF and SES. There was also collaboration in several stakeholder engagement activities (contributions to the SESA workshop, Kenya on 13–16 December 2012), and in May 31 together with the FCPF we held a South-South collaboration workshop on managing national REDD+ funds.