28 November, 2013

MEETING MINUTES:
GCS TECHNICAL PANEL MEETING # 63

Participants:
AK Alexander Koch
DK Damien Kuhn
MD Michael Dutschke (minutes)

Absent:
MG Michael Galante
EL Erik Lammerts van Bueren
EZ Ederson Zanetti
GG Gianluca Gondolini
KK Kaysara Khatun
PS Peter Schlesinger
RD Robert Dilger

Start time: 16:20 CET

Agenda
1. News from Brazil
2. News from Costa Rica
3. News from Kenya
4. Warsaw results
5. GCS Advisory Board

1. News from Brazil
   • CO2free, the NGO arm of Greenfarm is applying for a national concession as an NGO.
   • It is expected to be officially recognized in the first quarter of 2014.
   • By then, CO2free will be able to officially represent GCS in Brazil.

2. News from Costa Rica
   • MD has been approached by GIZ to assist in the preparation of a PIN proposal.
   • Proponent will be Fundecodes, an NGO close to the Costa-Rican government.
   • GIZ provides in-kind assistance.
   • Project will include marine areas.
   • Osa project still in the pipeline.

3. News from Kenya
   • No news from Kipini.
   • Through a connected consultant, MD knows of three Kenyan projects currently under consideration.

4. Warsaw results
   • 280 million US$ for the Biocarbon Fund pledged by Norway, UK and US.
   • Landscape approach
   • MD to find out how to access these funds.

5. GCS Advisory Board
   • The statutes foresee the possibility of nominating honorary members.
In extension, these may constitute the GCS Advisory Board.
- It should be constituted by a maximum of 5-7 members.
- Some names were brainstormed that the TP sees fit (in no particular order):
  - Sir Nicholas Stern, UK, London School of Economics
  - José Castro, (current CR Minister of the Environment)
  - Prof. José Goldemberg, Brazil
  - Jane Goodall, UK
  - Richard Branson, UK, Virgin Group
  - José María Figueres, CR, former President
- Homework: Find more names, in order to regionally balance the composition of candidates.

Scheduling of TP 64
- The next TP meeting will take place on Thursday 12 December, 16:00 CET.

Meeting Closed: 17:00 CET