13 October 2011

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MEETING MINUTES:
GCS TECHNICAL PANEL MEETING # 24

Participants:
AH  Ahmad Hussain
DK  Damien Kuhn
DW  Don Wijewardana
EZ  Ederson Zanetti
KK  Kaysara Khatun
GG  Gianluca Gondolini
MD  Michael Dutschke
MG  Michael Galante

Absent:
BL  Brenton Ladd
EL  Erik Lammerts van Bueren

Start time: 13:11 CET

Agenda
1.  Puyusacha PIN review
2.  Yanashaga PIN review (Gianluca)
3.  COP 17 Durban
4.  ITTO Update
5.  Eduard Merger: Findings on ICSS
6.  Miscellaneous
7.  Scheduling of TP 25

Puyusacha PIN review

• The PIN was not reviewed for TP 24 and will be reviewed for TP 25 (Damien Kuhn)

Yanashaga PIN review

• Conservation area based in Peru is 122,000ha and is currently national park established in 1986
• Project requests less than the required 30-year minimum duration
• Approximately 50,000 inhabitants living in the CBZ
• Shifting cultivation in the proposed CBZ a concern
• Lack of EIA study completeness
• The TP will request further clarification prior to revisiting the review
• Gianluca to draft questions to the project proponents on behalf of the TP
COP 17 Durban

- Gianluca potentially to be present at the COP
- Gianluca suggests the secretariat to produce a calendar of events for the GCS to be present around the world

ITTO Update

- Don has secured the GCS a speaking slot at the 47th International Tropical Timber Council meeting in Guatemala during the 2nd week of November
- The GCS has secured observer status at the meeting
- Don has suggested the GCS to be present at the next UNFF meeting

Eduard Merger: Findings on ICSS

- Based on the 2009 EU renewable energy directive
- Primarily for biomass production in the EU???
- Requires traceability throughout the supply chain (COC)
- ICSS applicable for the CBZ of the GCS-
- A great deal of synergy between the Standards
- Synergy between auditing and verification procedures requires review
- Michael Dutschke to request a meeting with ICSS to discuss synergies between the groups

Miscellaneous

- Gianluca requests a separate meeting to discuss technical issues on the GCS
- The investor for the Manobo project has decided to defer their decision until March 2012
  - This is due to the investor request for carbon credits ONLY.
  - Michael Dutschke is attempting to arrange a meeting with the project owner to discuss the project
- The investor for the Alphahuayo project has not been able to commit finance to the project and will provide a decision to the GCS by the end of the week of 24 October 2011
- Damien suggestion of the “Forest Carbon Group” (HSE) as a potential investor, based in Cologne, Germany. Damien to provide contact, Michael D. to follow up.

Scheduling of TP 25

- The next TP meeting is scheduled for 27 October 2011 at 1pm CEST

Meeting Closed: 14:50