24 November 2011

MEETING MINUTES:
GCS TECHNICAL PANEL MEETING # 27

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

Absent:
BL  Brenton Ladd

Start time: 12:05 GMT

Agenda

1. Update on MOU between the GCS and the Government of Peru
2. Update on AP 002 PE Allpahuayo
3. Acceptance of PIN for Yanachaga (GG)
4. Acceptance of PIN for APRODES (DK)
5. Update on ITTC Presentation
6. UNFCCC Side Event Planning
7. Financial and Payment Guideline Development-Author Appointment
8. Face-to-Face Meeting of the TP (January 2012)
9. General Assembly Preparations
10. Annual Rotation between Member and Alternate
11. Miscellaneous

Update on MOU between the GCS and the Government of Peru

• The MOU has been signed between the two parties and official engagement has begun.

Update on AP 002 PE Allpahuayo

• The project has been withdrawn from the GCS so that it can be resubmitted by the Peruvian Government under the umbrella of MOU

Acceptance of PIN for Yanachaga (GG)

• Project documentation has been revised and completed to the requirements
• The project owner has agreed to update their master plan upon acceptance of the GCS
• Gianluca estimates the project will generate sufficient CCUs to sustain the project based on the total area of 150,000ha
• The project has been accepted by the TP and the PIN assessment is scheduled for 2012
• Acceptance letter to be sent by the GCS Secretariat

Acceptance of PIN for APRODES (DK)

• Missing documents provided and PIN has been revised and completed
• Damien has estimated the project to generate 837,375 CCUs/year
• The project has been accepted by the TP and the PIN assessment is scheduled for 2012
• Acceptance letter to be sent by the GCS Secretariat

Update on ITTC Presentation

• DW was fundamental in the organization of the GCS presentation
• The presentation was a huge success due to the volume of subsequent face-to-face meetings
• Guatemala and the Philippines are interested in developing National Programs and the Ivory Coast is interested to gazette a large national park
• ITTO are interested to assist the GCS under their Thematic Program 2012
• Negotiations are to begin at the upcoming UNFCCC COP 17 in Durban
• Helvetia and IUCN are keen on the GCS and have requested a meeting at the upcoming meeting in Durban

UNFCCC Side Event Planning

• Swiss delegation is planning a side event along with the GCS
• Peru has indicated they wish to join the side event
• Timing is yet to be confirmed by the UNFCCC secretariat
• IUCN, TNC and Jane Goodall are potential participants
• Banners and brochures are in print for distribution
• Civil society committee is arranging a side event and intends to invite the GCS
• In total, 4 members of the TP shall be present in Durban

Financial and Payment Guideline Development-Author Appointment

• The document need to be developed
• May be facilitated through the GCS Foundation and external expert assistance

Face-to-Face Meeting of the TP (January 2012)

• EL has officially requested a physical meeting of the TP
• Motion seconded by KK and EZ
• Meeting is ideal to take place before the 2012 General Assembly

GCS Foundation Establishment

• GCS Foundation has been accepted by the Basel Taxation office
• GCS is currently raising finance for the initial seed capital
General Assembly Preparations

- Scheduling for February 2012 to be hosted in the Black Forest of Germany
- Budget being prepared and

Annual Rotation between Member and Alternate

- Annual rotation between members and alternates suggested
- Timeframe for members and alternates has been suggested to be 4-years with engagement every alternate year
- Future suggestion of regional panels and increasing membership and the new participant as the alternate

Miscellaneous

- Projects that are approved but do not have agreed finance shall be listed in the Registry for 3rd party financiers to engage
- A third party “clearing house” is considered to be developed to assist in the financing of projects that are approved yet do not have the finance
- Potential capacity building “road show” in 2012
- Timing of the TPs has been revised to 1pm CET

Scheduling of TP 28

- The next TP meeting is scheduled for 15 December 2011 at 1pm CET

Meeting Closed: 13:46 GMT

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ADENDIUM TO THE MEETING MINUTES

On 29 November 2011, the Technical Panel unanimously agreed to the acceptance of PIN 009 Alpahuayo Mishana submitted one day after the meeting by SERNANP on behalf of the Peruvian Government. On November 17, the initial proponent Instituto Tangarana had withdrawn its PIN, because it became clear that this NGO would not be concessionaire of the Alpahuayo-Mishana Conservation Area.

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