12 January 2012

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MEETING MINUTES:
GCS TECHNICAL PANEL MEETING # 29

Participants:
DW Don Wijewardana
KK Kaysara Khatun
MD Michael Dutschke
MG Michael Galante

Absent:
AH Ahmad Hussain
BL Brenton Ladd
DK Damien Kuhn
EL Erik Lammerts van Bueren
EZ Ederson Zanetti
GG Gianluca Gondolini

Start time: 12:58 CET

Agenda

1. Development of the 2012 Work Program
   • The GCS has been invited to Sri Lanka in February 2012 to discuss the concept of implementing the GCS at the national level
   • Several country agreements are ready to finalize during the first quarter of 2012, covering the Americas, Africa and Asia.
   • ASI are confirmed to facilitate a gap assessment on the GCS to begin the accreditation process
   • The GCS Foundation is currently under consideration for registration in Basel Switzerland
   • The GCS Foundation has been approached by several buyers of CCUs globally and are entering into purchase contracts accordingly

2. GCS General Assembly Preparations

3. Yanachaga & Puyusacha PIN Assessment Appointment and Scheduling

4. Puyusacha PIN Assessment Appointment and Scheduling

5. ITTO Briefing

6. Miscellaneous
2. **GCS General Assembly Preparations**
   - The GA is scheduled to be undertaken during the second quarter of 2012 in Offenburg, Germany
   - The GA will aim to host a TP meeting concurrently with the meeting
   - The GCS is proactively looking for an institution sponsor for the GA

3. **Yanachaga & Puyusacha PIN Assessment Appointment and Scheduling**
   - Geographically speaking, Brenton and Tatiana are the identified technical specialists whom can undertake the assessments at relatively low cost, which means that an investor may not be needed to pre-finance the assessment.

4. **ITTO Briefing**
   - The ITTO and the GCS has officially engaged in bilateral discussions to determine the synergies between the incoming ITTC Agreement and the GCS Principles and Criteria.

5. **Miscellaneous**
   - Pina Gurvassi shall be departing the GCS to undertake the position as the incoming FSC South American Director.
   - The primary TP members are encouraged to provide adequate lead time to the alternate members to facilitate their TP participation.
   - The mailing list technical.panel@globalconservationstandard.org does not seem to work properly, which may be a reason for the lack of response for this meeting.

**Scheduling of TP 30**

- The next TP meeting is scheduled for **26 January 2012 at 1pm CET**

Meeting Closed: **13:37 CET**