

9 February 2012

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**MEETING MINUTES:  
GCS TECHNICAL PANEL MEETING # 31**

Participants:

AH Ahmad Hussain  
BL Brenton Ladd  
DK Damien Kuhn  
DW Don Wijewardana  
EL Erik Lammerts van Bueren  
GG Gianluca Gondolini  
KK Kaysara Khatun  
MD Michael Dutschke  
MG Michael Galante

Absent:

EZ Ederson Zanetti

Start time: 13:05 CET

**Agenda**

1. Starting the Peruvian project activities: February 2012
2. Developing the biodiversity methodology: An update on progress
3. Current Methodology Update: Discussion
4. India: A new initiative
5. Miscellaneous

**1. Starting the Projects: February 2012**

- Funding is in the last stages of finalization for the purchase of CCUs from AP001 Alphahuayo Mishana
- MD to head a business delegation to Peru during the end of February 2012 to meet the Government and sign the Conservation Agreement
- MD to provide DW the contact point in Sri Lanka to assist with the ongoing discussions
- GCS has the intention of approach the GTZ to become a member of the delegation to Peru
- The GCS to approach a Peruvian associate to assist with the localization of the Conservation Agreement

**2. Developing the biodiversity methodology: An update on progress**

- The GCS has made contact with the Green Development Initiative and they are interested to collaborate with the GCS
- They have invited the GCS to participate in a high-level meeting in Brazil in March 2012 along with the Convention on Biodiversity ([www.cbd.int](http://www.cbd.int)) to discuss incorporation of the GCS

### **3. Current Methodology Update: Discussion**

- BL has suggested to include soil organic carbon within the above ground methodology
- MD has acknowledged this methodology but thinks that it should be a separate methodology in itself as not to confuse modalities
- BL and KK to discuss the required changes in the methodology at the next TP (TP 32)

### **4. India: A new initiative**

- Shankar lyher is the new representative in India
- KK and DW have offered to provide in country contacts for India
- KK shared with the TP that the country concentrates on reforestation and could be a fantastic element to combine with corporate investors into the commercial buffer zone activities
- SA to join the next TP to introduce himself and his role in the GCS moving forward in India

### **5. Miscellaneous**

- The GCS will begin arranging high-level delegations to countries where the GCS has implemented projects
  - The aim is to introduce the GCS as well as members of the relevant government and stakeholders involved in the project
  - Clear documentation will become available to increase global interest in the GCS
- Now that the GCS is on its feet, the TP has been tasked to develop the draft strategic operational plan for the upcoming years to be presented at the General Assembly
- Due to tax reasons, the General Assembly has been shifted to early summer (June 2012) to be held in Germany (location to be determined)
  - **Date to be finalized in TP 32**

### **Scheduling of TP 32**

- The next TP meeting is scheduled for [23 February 2012 at 1pm CET](#)

Meeting Closed: [14:24 CET](#)