4 April 2013

MEETING MINUTES:
GCS TECHNICAL PANEL MEETING # 52

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

Absent:
DK Damien Kuhn

Start time: 13:14 CET

Agenda

Draft Agenda:

1. Discussion of and decision on PIN CR013-001 FUNDECOR.
2. Discussion of the documents received from Erik Lammerts van Bueren with a view on developing a GCS strategy for the coming year.
3. Assistance call / strategy for fund raising for GCS GA 2013
4. Other matters as required

1. Discussion of and decision on PIN CR013-001 FUNDECOR
   • PIN review by GG and KK
   • PIN 013 proponent is FUNDECOR, a Non-Profit Foundation that has a rich history of conservation in Costa Rica over the past 20-years
   • SINAC is the hosting body (National System of Conservation Areas)
   • Significant amount of information has been written about the area which is available to the GCS
   • The size of the buffer zone is significant to host sustainable activities in the commercial buffer one
   • The PIN has been written in a great deal of detail with all supporting documentation provided to the GCS TP and the PIN is considered complete
   • The GCS TP recognizes the efforts FUNDECOR has undertaken to submit the PIN in such completeness and as such, the GCS TP have unanimously agreed to accept PIN 013 FUNDECOR

2. Extraordinary Discussion of the documents received from EL

General Discussion Points
   • The GCS needs to increase its capacity to disseminate advance information on the GCS mechanism and its ability to facilitate sustainable development initiatives
   • It is suggested to revise the website and dissemination documentation to enhance the clarity of the GCS mechanisms and the rights and obligations of the various actors.
• The GCS mechanism itself is a laudable framework yet the market for CCUs/PES is currently a stumbling block.
• Therefore, the GCS is suggested to raise more awareness with like organizations/standards and careful selection is key for the establishment of an effective cooperation.

3. Assistance call / strategy for fund raising for GCS GA 2013
   • The secretariat has distributed a template to all TP members for population
   • Parties interested to sponsor the GCS General Assembly should contact the secretariat at info@globalconservationstandard.org.

4. Miscellaneous
   • None

**Scheduling of TP 53**

• The next TP meeting is scheduled for 25 April 13, 2013 at 1pm CET.

Meeting Closed: 14:50 CET