

16 May 2013

GCS-TP M-0054

**MEETING MINUTES:
GCS TECHNICAL PANEL MEETING # 54**

Participants:

DK Damien Kuhn
KK Kaysara Khatun
MD Michael Dutschke
MG Michael Galante
PS Peter Schlesinger

Absent:

EL Erik Lammerts van Bueren
EZ Ederson Zanetti
GG Gianluca Gondolini
RD Robert Dilger

Start time: [14:08 CET](#)

Agenda

1. Report from the Fundecor Assessment
2. Discussion of the Keto PIN
3. Improving our external communication strategy
4. Miscellaneous

1. Report from the FUNDECOR Assessment
 - FUNDECOR sees the GCS as a strategic cooperation partner not only for Costa Rica
 - Initial results of the assessment indicate a very robust project
 - The GCS facilitated a 1-day stakeholder workshop which filled the capacity of the hall
 - Due to the history of FUNDECOR and FONAFIFO, the community is very well informed with PES frameworks
 - The assessment was carried out on time and met all required assessment goals
 - The PIN verification report is expected to be released in the upcoming weeks
2. Discussion of the Keto PIN
 - Errors were found in the submission and they will re-submit the PIN at a later date
 - Keto does not seem to be a legitimate proponent for the areas proposed
 - Parts of the CA lies outside the limits enclosed by the Commercial Buffer Zone, for which no explanation is provided
 - On request, MD and MG clarified that there is no minimum size of a Conservation Area in principle, whether or not to reject a too small project is a case-to-case decision
3. Improving our external communication strategy
 - The GCS TP meetings shall always occur on Thursdays at the same time, but they may be moved to another week by the Secretariat in case necessary, while duly and timely informing the TP members
4. Miscellaneous
 - None

Scheduling of TP 55

- The next TP meeting will take place on [30 May 2013 at 2pm CET](#).

Meeting Closed: [15:35 CET](#)