

30 September 2013

GCS-TP M-0059

**MEETING MINUTES:
GCS TECHNICAL PANEL MEETING # 58**

Participants:

EL Erik Lammerts van Bueren
GG Gianluca Gondolini
MD Michael Dutschke (minutes)
PS Peter Schlesinger

Absent:

DK Damien Kuhn
EZ Ederson Zanetti
KK Kaysara Khatun
MG Michael Galante
RD Robert Dilger

Guest:

Alexander Koch

Start time: [14:30 CET](#)

Agenda

1. Presentation of Alexander Koch
2. PIN submission from Kenya
3. PIN 013 FUNDECOR latest developments
4. General time shift for TP meetings
5. Rules for TP meeting participation

1. Presentation of intern Alexander Koch

- Alex presented himself to the TP. He first came across the GCS in 2010 and ever since then intended to support us.
- The TP decided to offer him a position as a member. Alex agreed and chose scope 1 “Economics and politics of climate change”, in which he will be alternate member.
- The Secretariat welcomes Alexander to the Technical Panel.

2. PIN from Kenya

- During the holiday season, the PIN for the Kipini Conservation Area was submitted.
- Due to specific tax provision in Kenya, there may be good chances to find domestic investors.
- EL will take the lead on the review, assisted by GG and PS.
- The TP aims to decide on acceptance at TP61.

3. PIN 013 FUNDECOR latest developments

- Last night, MD talked to Felipe Carazo, Chairman, and Ana Eugenia Ureña.
- The Assessment Report layout has been finalized.
- We agreed that picture credits will be shared among all of the photographers present during the assessment visit, without attributing every single picture. With that, the Assessment Report is ready for distribution.
- GCS will address Edgar Zamora from the Inter-American Development Bank again on the idea of a voluntary road toll for Ruta 32 cutting through the Braulio Carillo National

Park. Fundecor will link to the Costa Rican government, in the intend to add this as an income source for the project.

- MD will draft heads of agreement for the Conservation Contract. As the Contract will have to be counter-signed by the National System for Protected Areas SINAC, the Ministry will likely want to propose legal text anyway.
- GCS and FUNDECOR envisage a joint presentation at the CIFOR Land Day or on a Side Event at COP19 in Warsaw.
- Possibly, the Conservation Contract could be officially signed on that occasion.

4. General time shift for TP meetings

- The TP does not currently have active members from Asia and Oceania. Therefore, we can accommodate our schedule more to European and American needs.
- The TP decided to move the starting date of its future meetings from 1 pm CET, 2pm CET DST to 4 pm CET / 5 pm CET DST.
- The **TP meeting 60 will occur on Thursday 3 October at 5 pm Central European Daylight Saving Time**. Once DST reverts back to normal time, the meetings will start at 4 pm.
- This regulation is valid until revised by the TP.

5. Rules for TP participation

- Of the occasion, may all TP members be reminded of the meeting rules:
 1. The TP minutes will be sent around for review within days after the meeting.
 2. All members are requested to review and approve the minutes, before they go online, at the latest by the end of the subsequent week, so that the minutes can be put online before the next meeting.
 3. All TP members and alternates are requested to confirm their participation one week before the TP meeting as scheduled in the previous meeting.
 4. In case the members are not able to participate, they are requested to contact their respective alternate and notify the Secretariat, whether the scope will be represented on the meeting.

Scheduling of TP 60

- The next TP meeting will take place on [October 3rd at 5pm CET](#).

Meeting Closed: [15:30 CET](#)