

UNFCCC COP16, Cancun, Mexico: 29 November – 10 December 2010

CEB Joint Side Event Convened by FAO, UNDP and UNEP

Title: Delivering as One: Achievements and lessons learned from REDD+ readiness activities

Date: Thursday 2 December 2010

Time: 13:20 – 14:40

Location: Cancunmesse, Mamey room

Side event description (already submitted):

As countries' REDD+ readiness activities advance, it is vital to assess achievements and lessons learnt for future progress. FAO, UNDP and UNEP will convene with stakeholders to reflect on what the UN-REDD Programme's work has achieved to date and explore ways to build on this momentum.

Description used to promote and communicate externally about the event:

In this session, high-level representatives from REDD+ countries, the World Bank, UN agencies and non-governmental organizations will come together to take stock of the multifaceted partnerships that have emerged to support REDD+ efforts at the national, regional and international levels. By focusing on these various channels of collaboration presentations and discussions will highlight the meaningful partnerships being made to advance REDD+ efforts and what lessons can be drawn from these experiences.

Key message:

Partnerships and collaboration are essential to delivering REDD+ readiness and the 'UN delivering as one' has recognized this and is extending the partnership to other multilateral, bilateral and national partners.

Proposed approach to the side event:

The proposed approach agreed takes into account the context of the HLCP process, and attempts to respond to the suggested format of the CEB side event slots for COP 16 (convening the UN system working on the same theme). Keeping this in mind, the objective of this side event will be to deliver the evidence that underpins the message above, through presentations that underline the importance of partnership and collaboration and highlight challenges and opportunities. This should be a forward looking event that aims to be as constructive as possible. All the partners, certainly the UN system, recognize that the rubber hits the road in countries and it is their voices that we will ensure gets heard, because it is their demands that need to be satisfied. The presentations should explore the importance of partnership and collaboration and, in this regard, explore the convening role of the UN within the multilateral system, and the nature of the partnership and collaboration that needs to ensue at various (nested) levels.

In addition, it was suggested that given the level in which this side event slot is placed if possible, the speakers invited to speak be at a ministerial level.

Program:

Moderator: Henning Wuester, UNFCCC

13:20 –Opening and Introduction – Mr. Henning Wuester, Special Adviser to the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change UNFCCC (5 min)

13:25 –Delivering as One UN –Mr. Heru Prasetyo, Secretary of the National REDD+ Task Force, Government of Indonesia (10 min)

- Focus here is on how working as “One” is helping to advance REDD+, and is benefiting countries on REDD

13:35 –Partnership and Collaboration between the UN and World Bank, Mr. Warren Evans, Director of Environment, World Bank, and Mr. Yemi Katerere, Head, UN-REDD Programme Secretariat (10 min)

- Focus here is on how the UN and WB are collaborating , harmonizing work and reducing transaction costs to effectively and efficiently deliver support to countries in their REDD readiness activities; and invite GEF to contribute a statement on how they are collaborating with these initiatives on REDD

13:45 –Collaboration between the UN and Civil Society, Mariana Cristovam, Researcher, Climate Change Programme, Amazon Environmental Research Institute (IPAM) (10 min)

- Focus here is on how the benefits of this collaboration are being manifested in REDD

13:55 – Discussion (30 min)

14:40 – Closing Remarks (5 min)