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# <u>Draft Green Growth Working Group (GGWG) Minutes</u> <u>Teleconference</u>, 7 June 2012

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The <u>Annex</u> at the end of this document summarises the main action points agreed during the meeting.

## **Annual meeting**

Jim Tanburn noted that the Annual Meeting session on mainstreaming green growth in PSD will now be at 9am 11 July. Otherwise the current Annual Meeting agenda has not changed from previous versions, with the other green growth thematic sessions at 2pm 12 July. The agenda currently includes a wrap-up session 4.30-5.30pm 12 July. As there could be issues of people leaving early, Jim Tanburn will review the need and format of this session. The GGWG will meet on 10 July, the day before the Annual Meeting. This meeting can be used as a regular GGWG meeting, and also can be used to prepare for the Annual Meeting.

Following the suggestions of the last GGWG teleconference, the two green growth sessions being led by the GGWG have been amended. The session on inclusive green growth starts with a broad review, then a more focused panel discussion on inclusive green growth, focusing on the role of women. A fourth panellist could be invited from the UN Global Compact, to discuss their particular approach to inclusive green growth. Petra Schwager could possibly moderate the session, or potentially Peter Keller, who is the general Annual Meeting moderator, or Jim Tanburn. For the session on mainstreaming green growth, Cristina Martinez is now the moderator and will introduce on the importance of PSD for green growth. The agenda suggests that the panel discussion at the end of the session have a fishbowl setting. This may be logistically challenging, and Kim Nguyen Van will review what format is most practical, while remaining interactive. Jim Tanburn asked if speakers and panellists intended to stay for the full Annual Meeting. The consultants will not, and Volker Steigerwald and Merly Cruz are only interested in attending the green thematic sessions. Cristina Martinez will confirm with Petra Schwager if she can moderate the inclusive green growth session, and attend the Annual Meeting.

#### Work plan 12-13

Possible joint work with the BEWG on the enabling environment for green growth and on green industrial policy is of interest to the group, but current suggestions are not very focused. It is valuable that reference to joint work with the BEWG is kept in the work plan, but specifics can be further considered post Rio+12 and through discussions with the BEWG at the Annual Meeting. Kim Nguyen Van noted that the BEWG was presenting on 10 June in Berlin on its industrial policy work, and had invited members of the GGWG to attend. Kees van der Ree suggested that the language in the work

plan around the follow up activities to Rio+20 could be reworded to focus on knowledge management.

### **Agency Updates**

The **ILO** recently launched its second Green Jobs report, which notes that green jobs are possible but good policies are needed, and reviews these and different sectors in depth. Kim Nguyen Van hoped the arguments for employment oriented green growth will be influential at Rio+20, and in particular the report shows how green growth can help address unemployment issues.

The **IFC** Executive Vice-President is stepping down at the end of the month, and the incoming World Bank president will appoint his replacement. The report 'From Gap to Opportunity: Business Models for Scaling Up Energy Access' has been finalised. The IFC is currently focusing on Rio+20, and will be involved in 30 plus events, mainly at the UN Global Compact Corporate Sustainability Forum. The World Bank will also be presenting its Inclusive Green Growth report, supporting natural resource accounting and organising a high-level forum with the GGKP on 21 June.

The **OECD** has recently held two relevant meetings, one on Latin American indicators for green growth (involving a case study on Chile), and another of the Advisory Committee for Skills, where Cristina Martinez highlighted the GGWG Rio+20 side-event. For its work on green growth indicators, the OECD is currently aiming to move from 25/26 indicators to 5/6 headline indicators. Within this, productivity, and how to measure it, appear to be key. Two workshops next week in the Benelux countries will review local use of green growth indicators. The G20 green growth seminar was successful and the Mexican presidency has adopted green growth as a mainstreaming process for the G20. It is unclear, though, how the upcoming Russian presidency will develop the green growth agenda. The OECD is also involved in a number of events at Rio+20.

**GIZ** has finalised the programme for the German Pavilion at Rio+20. Within this, the Wuppertal Institute is also supporting an event on policies to support sustainable business, and Kim Nguyen Van will liaise with the Institute to ensure efforts are not duplicated. A stocktaking will be done after Los Cabos on investment possibilities in green growth, with the focus on a Green Intelligence Unit.

**IDRC** is launching a Latin American Trade Initiative to review tensions in Latin America between natural resource growth, social inclusion and green growth, which will be discussed at Rio+20. A concept note on greening SMEs is currently being developed.

## Rio side-event

The new agenda has aimed to accommodate all previous comments. It will be a busy session with four key-note speakers, 11 panellists and three moderators. The second panel discussion has been amended to be more interactive, and to be less focused on India and more general. Kim Nguyen Van is planning an informal meeting for those involved in the session in the evening on 17 June and will send around further details.

Following suggestions at the last GGWG teleconference, a proposal on Communities of Practise (CoP) has been disseminated to the group. It aims to keep side-event participants interacting after the event, and to facilitate the October IBF event in South Africa. The group noted though that as possible partners for the CoP and niche focuses for the GGWG might be identified at Rio+20, the CoP could be discussed at the next GGWG meeting in Berlin after Rio+20. The October IBF event is currently on the same days as the expert workshop planned in Turin. Kim Nguyen Van is reviewing if the dates of the IBF event could be amended.

## Updates on other outstanding activity

The new gender study draft has been disseminated for comments, which generally have been positive so far, with the deadline 7 June. The diagnostic summaries were presenting some problems as different agencies work in different ways. Kees van der Ree will aim to combine them together in a user-friendly way, possibly focusing on how they can help partner governments, and add an introduction in time for the Annual Meeting. The Value Chain fact sheet should be finalised by next week.

## **Next Meeting**

The next WG meeting will be 10 July in Berlin, the time tbc.

## Annex: Summary of Action Points Agreed

	What?	By Whom?	By When?
1.	Check if Peter Keller is free to moderate the gender and green growth session	Jim Tanburn	asap
2.	Review the format of the final Annual Meeting session	Jim Tanburn	asap
3.	Confirm with Petra Schwager if she can moderate the inclusive green growth session and attend the Annual Meeting	Cristina Martinez	asap
4.	Review format for the mainstreaming green growth final panel discussion	Kim Nguyen Van	asap
5.	Disseminate revised Annual Meeting green growth sessions to the GGWG	Kim Nguyen Van	asap
6.	Send any minor work plan amendments to the GGWG	Kim Nguyen Van	11/06/12
7.	Review if the dates of the IBF event can be amended	Kim Nguyen Van	asap
8.	Share mobile numbers for Rio+20	GGWG members at Rio+20	asap
9.	Send out details of informal Rio+20 17 June meeting	Kim Nguyen Van	asap
10.	Finalised GIZ diagnostic fact sheet	Kim Nguyen Van	asap
11.	Combine diagnostic summaries in appropriate format	Kees van der Ree	10/07/12
12.	Contact Merten Sievers for the Value Chain fact sheet	Ashley Aarons and Kees van der Ree	15/06/12