FFF team meeting 22.05.2018

Present: FR, NS, SG, JZ, SS, AB, JC, DM

1. Country selection

Things to consider:

1) Preference raised during SC meeting for LDC countries

2) Scaling up – how to tackle this in the current funding situation – a phased scaling up?

3) Quality of proposals varying

4) If we were to select new countries – what would be the strategic selection, we might not stick to the scoring we have here but choose countries for another reason.

5) Graduation of countries not yet discussed – some have scored based on this assumption and others have not

6) More difficult question is whether we accept these rankings or make other decisions based on the interest of the programme

* Voting: suggestion to move forwards with one new and one old country. This would not change things much in Africa but in Asia it would mean working in Indonesia which did not put together a very convincing proposal. In Latin America not so much an issue.
* Agreed to move forward with one old and one new country. That would be Bolivia and Ecuador for LA, Ghana, Zambia and Kenya for Africa, Vietnam and Indonesia for Asia.
* We will communicate to other countries that they are on the priority list for starting next pending on additional funding.
* This means we have 7 network countries and 7 core countries. For the network countries we will engage with and support resource mobilisation. This is a better message to go out with 7+7 moving forwards making it 14 in total. Sounds better in terms of how we thread the delicate line of scaling up without having secured the funds just yet.

Launch now scheduled for Friday July 20th in the morning. Steering committee will also attend and have a SC meeting on the Thursday.

New facilitators will need to be recruited for Ecuador, Ghana and Indonesia promptly if we are still aiming for facilitators retreat the week of the 2-6th of July.