**FFF Team Meeting 20 November 2018**

Present: SG, DM, PB,

Chair: PB Note taker: AB

Agenda:

1. Ghana de-brief
2. Retreat
3. Netherlands meeting
4. Ecuador
5. Scoping studies

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| **Team report**  **20 November 2018** | **DESCRIPTION**  **(summary if discussion – main points only)** | **ACTION**  **(to be checked at next meeting** |
| **OUTSTANDING ACTION POINTS** |  |  |
| GHANA | Slightly problematic in that the country was selected despite it being clear that the expression of interest did not show a good understanding of the approach of FFF. Consortium of NGOs as opposed to FFPOs.  Facilitator not hired due to delays in FAO Ghana, hired now during the mission.  Tropenbos Ghana hired for the launch and for carrying out the scoping study.  Conflict between Forest Commission and Tropenbos Ghana because of funding from FFF not reaching the organisers in time.  Field visit to Crema areas (?) community based conservation areas and shea producer groups. Cooperatives processing the Shea nuts and selling to Savannah Fruits company.  FFPOs there but not well organised and not really any Apex body, expect for the Shea board of Ghana. Meanwhile lots of NGOs – funding goes to NGOs.  Finally, it all went well. Minister arrived and FFPO is the new ‘it’ word.  Big initiatives in cocoa, and the REDD+ and Shea programme.  Agriterra will be opening an office in Ghana in 2019. Met with Sophie and the lady setting up Agriterra is now linked with Elvis. |  |
| RETREAT | Agenda finalised. Francesca needs confirmation of attendance from Pauline, Anna and Duncan of days we are able to attend but also that we are happy with the responsibilities allocated in the agenda.  Ppt TEMPLATE shared by Francesca to be used for recommendations from scoping studies. Each scoping study 1-2 slides with conclusions. | AB, PB and DM to follow up with Francesca. |
| ECUADOR | All in order and ready more or less. 30 participants. PlanJunto needs to be informed of date change for their presentation due to change of plans with TRIAS presentation | AB to follow up with PlanJunto on the date change of their presentation |
| DUTCH MEETING | All invitations now sent, meeting with dutch counterparts in FAO to be held Wednesday this week.  FFF is the leading organiser of this meeting. Attending is Jeff, Jhony, Xiaoting, Rob Buisnick, Tropenbos, Rabobank, Agriterra (?) |  |
| SCOPING STUDIES | Review process now over, all working on incorporating and addressing comments on scoping studies.  Good if reviews could be done by Retreat. |  |
| Next meeting | Tuesday 27th November 2018 from 14:00-15:00 |  |
| Next chair | |  | | --- | | Bolin | | Buffle | | Campbell | | France-Lanord | | (Gonzales) | | Grouwels | | Guarascio | | (Lebedeva) | | MacQueen | | Senesie | | Simola | | Zapata | | To send out agenda prior to the next meeting (Anna was supposed to chair but is in Ecuador training) |
| Next note taker | |  | | --- | | Bolin | | Buffle | | Campbell | | France-Lanord | | (Gonzales) | | Grouwels | | Guarascio | | (Lebedeva) | | MacQueen | | Senesie | | Simola | | Zapata | |  |