

## Market Development Standing Committee (MDSC) Meeting Notes Meeting 1

**Date:** 26<sup>th</sup> August 2019

**Start Time:**

**Venue:** Go-to-meeting Conference Call

Attendance	
<p><b>MDSC Representatives</b>                      Anita Neville, GAR                      Belinda Howell, RPOG                      Eddy Esselink, MVO                      Jose Roberto Montenegro, AgroCaribe                      Laura deGruijter, Bunge                      Lee Kuan Yee, KLK                      Marieke Leegwater, Solidaridad                      Tracey Gazibara, Cheyenne Mountain Zoo</p>	<p><b>BoG Links and invited members of C&amp;C and T&amp;T Standing Committees</b>                      Caroline Westerik, AAK                      Chris Sayner, Croda                      Daphne Hameeteman, Wilmar                      Helen Scholey, Shell                      James DeCaluwe, Oleon                      Jan Kees Vis, Unilever                      Joshua Lim, Wilmar                      Michelle Desilets, Orangutan Land Trust                      Robbert Kessels, SIPEF                      Tobias Zobel, BASF</p> <p><b>RSPO Secretariat</b>                      Aminah Ang                      Dan Strechay                      Inke van der Sluijs                      Kamal Prakash Seth                      Soo Chin Oi</p>

Item	Description	Focal Point
1	New Standing Committee, Adoption of the Terms of Reference	
1.1	<p>Composition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Belinda Howell, RPOG gave an overview of the governance review that took place and lead to the establishment of the new Standing Committees, including the MDSC, starting roughly two years ago and the reasoning. She disagreed that the Governance Review Committee felt that the structure of the MDSC or Standing Committees should mimic the BoG structure. She said the intent was to have the best people on the SC with the knowledge of the subject.</li> <li>- The Secretariat introduced the Composition of the MDSC:                      Grower – Malaysia, Lee Kuan Yee, Kuala Lumpur Kepong (KLK)                      Grower – Indonesia, Anita Neville, GAR                      Grower – RoW, Jose Roberto Montenegro, Agrocaribe</li> </ul>	

	<p>Smallholder – Vacant          NGO Environmental, Tracey Gazibara, Cheyenne Mountain Zoo          NGO Environmental, Harjinder Kler, HUTAN          NGO Social, Paula den Hartog, Rainforest Alliance          NGO Social, Marieke Leegwater, Solidaridad          Processor &amp; Trader, Eddy Esselink, MVO          Consumer Goods Manufacturer, Jonathan Escolar, Natura Logistica E Serviços (Body Shop)          Retailer, Julian Walker Palin, Retailers Palm Oil Group          Financial Institution – Vacant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Chair opened up the discussion of the structure to the attendees on the line.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o There was support for an additional member for the downstream categories (Retailer, CGM and FI)</li> <li>o Support for more FIs to have expanded involvement and a second seat, as well as more P&amp;Ts</li> <li>o There is a need to find a way to engage in the P&amp;T group, beyond just adding P&amp;T seats</li> <li>o P&amp;T is a very wide range of activities, Oleo is very important</li> <li>o MDSC has a larger scope than the T&amp;T and C&amp;C</li> <li>o Do we need to recruit more from India and China, to get a more diverse SC</li> <li>o There was an objection to the expanded the number of P&amp;Ts and other downstream members as it could also cause more delays on the approving items</li> <li>o <b>How do you caucus with the 800 members in a sector (such as CGM) without support from Secretariat? They will have to set up some system to caucus with the larger sectors.</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>- Roles and responsibilities             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Secretariat said that more than 51% of the SC can't be from the BoG, based on institution, not the individual.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Voting procedure             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Request from Secretariat to review the voting procedure, which is based on consensus</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Taskforces and their objectives             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o FITF does not want to be a formal task force. Secretariat will still assist with the caucus</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Secretariat</p>
<p>2</p>	<p>Supply Chain Certification (SCC) Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Secretariat updated the SC on the status of the SCC Review. Public consultation is still open at this time.</li> <li>- Comment on the SCC Review is related to the ACOP Review and that still, despite previous comments, that Secretariat has not aligned the two reviews. Secretariat said that Soo Chin Oi</li> </ul>	

	was on the call to specifically provide a link between the ACOP, SCC and Shared Responsibility work streams.	
3	Shared Responsibility Taskforce - Secretariat provided brief update	
4	PK Credit Proposal - There was no consensus reached on the issue previously. - The PK Credit proposal should be picked up by the new MDSC and a proposal should be made to the BoG. There was a sustained objection in the previous T&T with PK Credits that prevented a vote. - We need a document in place for the next physical meeting in Bangkok on the PK Credit proposal, overview, with the pros and cons and the risks, including current business rules. This was seconded. - Members of the working group felt that it was an honest proposal and that more market links and rewards need to be created. But felt that a paper should be circulated at the physical meeting. - <b>Papers should be circulated before a proposal is sent to the MDSC or the BoG for vote, including a background and chronology, discussion of the issue. Secretariat to come up with three possible scenarios for the PKO Credit Trading.</b>	Secretariat
5	RSPO trademark Simplification - C&C had proposed a revision of the trademark to remove the words “Mixed” and “Certified”. Other standards do both – with and without. - No formal proposal has been submitted at this time - <b>Secretariat to follow-up with C&amp;C members to see if they would like to submit proposal on this issue.</b>	Secretariat
6	October meeting was scheduled prior to November physical meeting during RT17	
7	AOB / New Business - <b>For physical meeting, please add “Palm Free” and the “No Palm” Communications on November Meeting as Agenda item</b> - <b>MDSC should consider a multi-year “plan” as part of the agenda for November Meeting, what resources are needed?</b>	Secretariat  Secretariat