

To: Members of TAG
From: Alistair Jones, TAG Chair

Technical Advisory Group Meeting 14th June 2019 MINUTES

Attendees: Alistair Jones (Chair), Karin Ask, Frank Denelle, Johann Gotsis, Charlotte Griffiths, Sigurd Heiberg, Hari Tulsidas, Ulrich Kral

Apologies: David Elliott, Julian Hilton, Marco Petitta, Satinder Purewal

Approval of draft agenda

Document: Draft agenda

1. The draft agenda was approved.

Minutes of previous TAG meeting

Document: Draft minutes TAG Call 1st May 2019

2. The draft minutes of the 1st May 2019 meeting were approved.

Matters arising

3. Status of actions from the last TAG call:

Action 1: In the TAG presentation, Alistair will raise the importance of promotion and education to support adoption of UNFC. This was included in the presentation to EGRM-10. Action closed.

Action 2: Alistair will suggest, to EGRM chair, withdrawing the EGRM-10 TAG presentation on the UNFC update in order to avoid confusion in the EGRM meeting and to support the proposal of a simple UNFC update. The presentation on the UNFC update was withdrawn. Action closed.

Action 3: Alistair will discuss with the Bureau whether the TAG ToR should be updated to include work on UNRMS Will raise at next Bureau meeting. This was discussed at the Bureau meeting on 11th June 2019. It was agreed that TAG would wait to update the ToR until the outline on the UNRMS is written and agreed, potentially in September 2019, and the Bureau has decided on the best way forward for UNRMS development. Action closed.

Action 4: Alistair will discuss the suggestion of representation from each WG on the CPTF with the Bureau chair and the Chair of the CPTF. Alistair has yet to discuss this. **Action still open.**

Action 5: Alistair will discuss how to improve integration with other WGs and TF with the Bureau Discussed. This was discussed at the Bureau meeting on 2nd May 2019. It was agreed that the best route for better integration is through improved communication, rather than bringing all WG into the TAG. However, the Social & Environmental Task Force has now become a permanent Working Group and is now part the TAG. It is chaired by David Elliott who is welcomed to the TAG. Action closed.

4. There were no other matters arising from the previous meeting.

EGRM-10 report

Document: EGRM-10 report

5. The report of the EGRM-10 was circulated before the meeting, for information.

Working Group Plans

6. Each WG chair present shared the status and outline plans for their group. David, Marco and Satinder had emailed summaries and these were shared at the meeting. It was agreed that it would be useful to develop a summary document for TAG and Bureau information.

Action 1: Alistair will summarise Working Group plans and any issues shared, by 28th June.

UNFC Update

7. Following the EGRM decision to focus the 2019 UNFC update on common terminology, a draft has been developed for discussion. The Bureau asked the TAG chair to circulate and request feedback from each WG. It was agreed that WG chairs would provide consolidated feedback from their WG, for Alistair to consolidate and feedback to the Bureau.

Action 2: Alistair will send out the draft UNFC update and each WG will send consolidated feedback to Alistair from their WG by Fri 28th June.

UNRMS development

8. At the annual meeting the EGRM requested the Bureau to prepare a short statement outlining who will use UNRMS, what information users need, and for what purpose UNRMS would be used. This statement should be circulated to the Expert Group by 1 September 2019.

9. Milan Grohol has agreed to lead a small group in developing the outline statement. The Bureau ask the TAG chair to seek volunteers from the TAG or WGs. Sigurd offered to be part of this group and Frank will seek a representative from the Renewables WG.

Action 3: Each WG will consider joining the group to draft the UNRMS outline statement, or invite representation from their WG. Please respond to Alistair by 28th June.

Status of AMREC-PARC development and relationship with UNFC and UNRMS

10. The African Minerals Development Centre (AMDC) is being restructured with AMREC as one of the major departments. The Business Plan meeting with the African Union Consultants took place in Guinea Conackry last week. The AMREC Working Group was represented by Prof Samuel Dampere from Ghana. All AUC officials were in attendance.

11. UNFC-AMREC was presented by Tunde Arisekola at the Association of Chambers of Mines and Other Mining Associations in Africa (ACMMAA) held in Yaounde, Cameroon last week. The Association agreed to fully support UNFC-AMREC.

12. The UNFC-AMREC stakeholder meeting will be held in the middle of August in Namibia. The current draft of AMREC will be finalized at this meeting for submission to the African Union Specialized Technical Committee (STC) for approval. The draft will be submitted for translation in French, Portuguese and Arabic by the end of August. STC approval is expected by October 2019.

13. TAG has been asked comment on the current AMREC document. Frank, Johann (or someone from MWG) and Sigurd have agreed to review the document, with Frank coordinating feedback. It would be very helpful to have a reviewer from PWG as well.

Action 4: Frank, Johann (or someone from MWG), Sigurd will review the AMREC document. A reviewer is also requested from PWG.

Secretariat

14. Hari's contract ends on 30th June. Extra budgetary funds are being sought to bring him back as soon as possible. The TAG expressed heartfelt appreciation to Hari for his invaluable work.

Next meeting

15. Alistair will send out a poll for the next meeting. Potential dates during the weeks of 15th or 22nd July.