

# AGENDA

## Blue Carbon Policy

4th Meeting  
30-31 May, 2013

Conservation International Offices  
2011 Crystal Drive, Suite 500  
Arlington, VA

### Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2013

8:30           **Coffee**

9:00           **Meeting opening**  
Host welcome

9:10           **Overview of Working Group & expected meeting outcomes**  
*Dorothee Herr, IUCN & Emily Pidgeon, CI*

- Overall Working Group objectives
- Outcomes previous workshops
- Objectives of the 4<sup>th</sup> workshop
- Workshop products

#### **Short participant introductions**

9:30           **Setting the scene: Blue Carbon efforts around the world – science, projects, policy**  
*Emily Pidgeon, CI*

10:00          **Advancing incentives and finance for coastal Blue Carbon conservation and management under the UNFCCC**  
*Facilitator: Dorothee Herr, IUCN*

Goal: Develop recommendations to inform the UNFCCC process to develop Blue Carbon relevant incentives and finance

Discussion areas include ADP (Durban Platform), REDD+, NAMAs, SBSTA Research and Observation, IPCC, other related processes and initiatives

10:45 Coffee Break

11:00 **Recommendations for the UNFCCC process – ct'd**

12:30 Lunch

14:00 **Good or bad news from the carbon markets?**  
**Presentations and discussion**  
*Facilitator: Dan Laffoley, IUCN*  
[or ct'd UNFCCC discussion, if necessary]

**New Blue Carbon methodology under development, VCS additionality issues and what this means for other BC projects**  
Steve Emmett-Mattox, RAE and Carolyn Ching, VCS

**The carbon market and how it could affect the outlook for Blue Carbon**  
Brian Murray, Duke University

**Outlook from BioCarbon Fund**  
David Burns, BioCarbon Fund

15:30 Coffee break

15:45 **Discussion**

17:00 Close

## Friday 31<sup>th</sup> May 2013

8:30            **Coffee**

9:00            **Review from Day 1**  
**Agenda for Day 2**  
*Dorothee Herr & Emily Pidgeon*

9:15            **Recent Blue Carbon developments**  
*Facilitator: Dorothee Herr*

**How BC could affect the implementation of US federal legislation?**  
Ariana Sutton-Grier - NOAA

**Adaptation and Mitigation efforts in mangrove areas – Wetlands International**  
Femke Tonneijck – Wetlands International

**Blue Carbon activities in Melanesia/Vanuatu**  
Dan Laffoley – IUCN-WCPA

**Blue Carbon activities in Abu Dhabi**  
Christine Lanser – Forest Trend

10:30           **Coffee break**

10:45           **Recent Blue Carbon developments (ct'd)**

**Blue Carbon Activities - Counterpart International**  
Jennifer Norfolk, Counterpart International

**Blue Carbon Activities in the CTI**  
Emily Pidgeon, CI

**GEF6 strategic priorities**  
Carla Friederich, UNEP RONA

Other updates

**Discussion**

12:30 Lunch

13:30 **Assessing long-term Blue Carbon trajectory and opportunities**

*Facilitator: Dan Laffoley*

**Discussion**

Goal: Take stock of policy (and project) developments and activities to date. Where are long-term opportunities for Blue Carbon? Research gaps?

Fundraising for Blue Carbon: challenges and opportunities

15:30 **Wrap-up**

*Dorothee Herr and Emily Pidgeon*

16:00 Close