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## Minutes

### Present:

- Eduardo Rojas Briales (Chair)
- David Ford (1st Vice Chair)
- Riikka Joukio (2nd Vice Chair)
- Dradjad Wibowo
- Gerald Pfiffinger
- Guy Gleysteen
- Josien Tokoe
- Lena Ek
- Kurt Ramskogler
- Richard Ali
- Sara El Kadri
- Suzette Weeding

### In attendance:

- Michael Berger (Secretary General)
- Fabienne Sinclair (Head of Marketing)
- Lise Favre (Technical Officer)
- Anja Gehrer (Communications Officer)
- Esa Härmälä (Member of the Nominations Committee)

### Apologies:

- Fatimah Mohammad
- Nurudeen Iddrisu
- Sarah Khatib
- Brian Kernohan (Chair of the SFM working Group)

## 1. AGENDA

### 1.1 Declarations of potential conflicts of interest with agenda

No conflicts of interest were declared.

### 1.2 Affiliations update

A change for the Chair, Eduardo Rojas Briales, was noted.

## 2. MINUTES

In the discussion about the minutes, it was clarified that the appointment of Kurt Ramskogler to review the status refers to the nomination procedures for Board Member candidates only.

**BOD/60/2022** Unanimously agreed:

- To approve the minutes of the November PEFC Board meeting.

## 3. MATTERS ARISING

### 3.1 Updates (Romania, Asia)

Kurt Ramskogler reported about the meeting with PEFC Romania. Eduardo Rojas Briales, Kurt Ramskogler and Remi Sournia (PEFC Secretariat) discussed with the Chair of PEFC Romania the further development of PEFC Romania.

Michael Berger summarized the outreach to Indonesia and Singapore, together with Fabienne Sinclair. The key objective of the meeting, to get verbal agreements for further sponsorship by International Stakeholder members, was achieved. Dradjad Wibowo highlighted the importance of the political relationship building.

### 3.2 Q3 Progress Report

Fabienne Sinclair presented the Q3 Progress Report for the International Secretariat. The Board Members appreciated the challenges

and opportunities made clear as presented in this new updated format.

**BOD/61/2022** Unanimously agreed:

- To note the Q3 PEFC Secretariat progress report.

### 3.3 Trade Register Updates

The Board acknowledged the departure of the following Board Members: Ms. Riikka Joukio (second Vice-Chair), Ms. Sarah Khatib (Member) and Ms. Josien Tokoe e/v Aloema (Member).

**BOD/62/2022** Unanimously agreed:

- To confirm the changes in the Board composition as described in the attached document titled "Trade Register Update".

### 3.4 PEFC Week Preparations

Michael Berger guided through the programme through the week and gave a brief overview about the individual sessions. Eduardo Rojas Briales added the planned flow for the membership fee session, based on the work of the Membership Fee Task Force.

## 4. OPERATIONAL ITEMS

### 4.1 PEFC Information tools: Brandwatch (Communications) and Statistics report

Lise Favre presented the recent statistical report. Anja Gehrer explained the PEFC Media Analysis for October.

The Board recommended to provide these reports quarterly and, if necessary, to discuss.

**BOD/63/2022** Unanimously agreed:

- To note both reports.

## 5. COMMITTEE UPDATES

## 5.1 Marketing, Communications and Advocacy WG

Sara El Kadri explained how the new Thematic task Force about ESG is set up. The Task Force will be lead by Jason Metnick, SFI.

## 5.2 Chain of Custody WG

Suzette Weeding reported that after finalising the new guidance document the work of the Chain of Custody Working Group covers mainly smaller maintenance/clarification issues.

## 5.3 EU Affaires Working Group

Lena Ek highlighted that the first meeting of the WG in Brussels was a successful meeting and the WG members will develop in the next few weeks a regular working mechanism.

Monday 05 December 2022 (online), 13:00-15:00 CET

Signed:

  
Eduardo Rojas Briales, Chair

  
Michael Berger, Secretary General

## 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

### 6.1 Membership Fee payment – extension of deadline for India

Michael Berger explained the membership fee status of NCCF (Network for Certification and Conservation of Forests, NGB member in India). A part of the membership fee 2022 payments is still missing. However, they confirmed to pay in 2022. To enable them to execute their voting rights at the General Assembly the need an extended payment deadline.

#### **BOD/64/2022 Unanimously agreed:**

- To extend the membership fee payment deadline for NCCF until 1 December 2022.

### 6.2 Strategy review update

Fabienne Sinclair reported about the recent work with the Regional Hubs.

## 7. DATES OF NEXT MEETING