

Advanced and Indirect Mitigation (AIM) Platform

Meeting Minutes – January 18, 2024

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The Advanced and Indirect Mitigation (AIM) Governing Committee

January 18, 2024 | GC Meeting #10

Attendees:

Governing Committee Members:

- Alexia Kelly (High Tide Foundation)
- Charles Hernick (Amazon)
- Dan Smith (Unaffiliated)
- Devon Lake (Meta)
- Lisa Spetz (H&M Group)
- Pierre Bloch (VCI/SustainCERT)
- Tim Juliani (WWF)
- Cynthia Cummis (Deloitte)
- Peter Skovly (Maersk)
- Meinrad Burer (LDC)
- Derik Broekhoff (SEI)
- Elena Schmidt (RSB)

Invited Observers:

- Michael Macrae (GHGP)
- Brad Schallert (Winrock International)
- Candace Vinke (Verra)
- Ingrid Irigoyen (ZEMBA)
- Kristin Komives (ISEAL)
- Laura Hutchinson (RMI)

AIM Organizers:

- Kim Carnahan (GMA)
- Owen Hewlett (GS)
- Verena Radulovic (C2ES)
- Sam Pearl-Schwartz (GMA)

Notes/Substantive Discussion:

Guiding Principles:

- Given significant substantive discussion, pushed back voting on Principles to the next GC meeting
- Goal will be to do a simple up or down vote at that time
- AIM Organizers may reach out to some GC members for bilaterals in the coming days/weeks to discuss specific questions

Draft Table of Contents:

- Organizers presented draft table of contents. No notable GC comments or concerns

Drafting group updates

- Organizers announced a pause on the launch of the projects-based working group and announced the launch of an AIM Criteria working group. Projects-based working group will be launched once additional progress is made on the Programmes and AIM Criteria working groups

AIM Criteria:

- Organizers presented the potential AIM Criteria and the biggest questions to tackle.
Notable GC comments:
 - o Other additionality:
 - General agreement to exclude other additionality checks, but worth noting that certain members who favored additionality checks were not present at this part of the meeting. Will be an area of further discussion
 - o Best practice allocation, attribution, and assignment
 - General agreement that a hierarchy of approaches might make the most sense. Attributional at top of hierarchy
 - o Avoidance of double counting
 - Kim noted this may not need to stay an AIM criteria

Due to running out of time, there was limited discussion of association with value chain, and no time to get to programmes. Some points of discussion on the association with value chain flow chart (commodity and supply shed, supply shed vs sourcing region), but general agreement to keep down this path of focus in drafting group meetings.