

MINUTES

SEITI MSG MEETING (No 4/ 2018)

Date: Friday, 09 March, 2018
Time: 14:15h- 15:30h
Location: Conference Room Bauxite Institute Suriname

Attendees		
Government	Civil Society	Companies
D. Abeleven (DA)	R. Bhattacharji (RB)	T. Jbara (TJ)
A. Jadoenathmisier (AJ)	R. Artist (RA)	M. Naarendorp (MN)
H. Deel (HD)	R. Caupain (RC)	

Absentees with notice	Absentees without notice
V. Gangaram Panday (VG) (Companies)	E. Aviankoi (EA) (Civil Society)
M. Essed-Fernandes (ME) (Civil Society)	L. Best (LB) (Civil Society)
T. Fauria (TF) (Companies)	
J. Ten Berge (JtB) (Government)	
J. Veldhuizen (JV) (Government)	
T. Fauria (TF) (Companies)	
S. Jadnanansing (SJ) (Companies)	
V. Lalji (VL) (Government)	

SEITI-Secretariat	Observers
Ms. V. Sabajo	

Agenda

1. Opening
2. Announcements
3. Approve minutes 12 February 2018
4. Co-Chair
5. Status hiring IA
6. Work visit Ana Maria Rodriguez
7. Adjustments Work plan
8. Questions
9. Upcoming meeting: 23 March 2018
10. Closing

1. Opening

RB opened the meeting at 14:15h and welcomed the members.

2. Announcements

- DA will come in late, due to other meetings;
- The Subsidiary agreement is signed between BIS and Min of Finance;
- The Minister of Natural Resources received an email from EITI Head Quarters regarding yearly contribution of the country of USD 10,000.00;
- NA will be resigned as of 6 May 2018;
- FB is not available anymore for the part of Financial Officer for the SEITI Secretariat.
- Vacancies Procurement and Financial specialist were published. Only one person reflected for the position of Procurement Specialist. The vacancies will be re-published with extended time to reply is stated 15 March 2018.
- ToR Communication Specialist is produced and send to WB for No Objection (NO). When NO is received, this will also be published.

3. Approve minutes 12 February 2018

The minutes of 12 February are approved with minor adjustments. SJ still needs to finalize the minutes of 26 Jan 2018. Secretariat will contact SJ.

4. Co-Chair

DA asked what the status is of CS and Companies to bring forward a member of MSG from CS or Comp to co-chair with him. The CS and Companies members didn't discuss this issue yet. But it is on their agenda.

5. Status hiring IA

BDO is selected by MSG to produce the 1st EITI report for Suriname. A meeting with BDO was held 1st of March 2018.

Issues discussed during that meeting:

- The report will cover the years 2015 and 2016;
- A chapter regarding Suralco will be produced due to the fact that they were in Suriname for 100 years.
- Although Newmont began late in 2016 with their production, this will also be in the report;
- For the first report the companies Staatsolie, Newmont, Iamgold, Grassalco, Nana Resources and Canasur Gold Limited will be covered in the report. Grassalco didn't produce their year report of 2015 and 2016 yet, so the data will be difficult to collect.
- BO Roadmap will also be taken into account

They will produce a technical and financial proposal within two weeks of this meeting.

6. Work visit Ana Maria Rodriguez

The SEITI secretariat and DA had a few work sessions with Ana Maria and a new work-plan was produced. This was already e-mailed to the members by the Secretariat.

Ana Maria said that for the first year, due to limited time, we need to adjust the work-plan and focus on the following:

- Produce EITI report. The deadline is 24 Nov 2018.
- Hiring Communication specialist firm to execute the activities in the communication strategy
- BO Roadmap. A ToR for legal expert BO Roadmap will be produced.
- Good work relation MSG/ SEITI Secretariat

7. Adjustments Work plan

During the work sessions with Ana Maria, an adjusted work-plan is produced. This was emailed to the members. RB asked if the adjustments can be done in the initial work-plan so that it will be transparent which adjustments were made. The secretariat will send that version.

8. Questions

No Questions

9. Upcoming meeting

The next MSG meeting is scheduled for 23 March 2018

10. Closing

Closing by DA at 15:30

Action points

Action	Due date	Responsible	Remarks
- Produce new work-plan where the adjustment were made in the previous work-plan	23 March 2018	SEITI Secretariat	
- Search for ToR legal expert for BO Roadmap	23 march 2018	SEITI Secretariat	
- Publish ToR Comm Specialist when received NO of WB	23 march 2018	SEITI Secretariat	

Minute keeper,

Ms. V. Sabajo
(SEITI-Secretariat)