



BLUE CARBON OVERVIEW OF PROGRESS SINCE FIRST MEETING

*International Blue Carbon Science Working Group
Second Meeting: Sanur, Bali, Indonesia*

July 26-28, 2011

Progress

▣ Policy connections

- Formation of International Blue Carbon Policy WG
- Planning towards CoP17 and other related
- Linden Trust commission of Climate Focus Report

▣ Carbon finance mechanisms

- VCS Technical Working Group on Wetlands (RAE)
 - ▣ Revising requirements of the VCS AFOLU standard to include wetlands
 - ▣ Additionality test – RAE team funded by NOAA
- Peat rewetting methodology (VCS)
- CDM methodology for mangrove restoration

Progress

▣ IPCC

- Subsidiary Body for Technical Advice (SBSTA-32) to UNFCCC revising guidelines for GHG emissions and removals reporting from Annex 1 Parties.
- Request of IPCC to hold an Expert Meeting to “*explore the need and ways to clarify methodological issues related to the reporting on harvested wood products, wetlands and N₂O emissions from soils*”.
- IPCC Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories Expert Meeting held Mar 30 – April 1 2011
 - ▣ – IBCWG members present
 - ▣ Inclusion of wetlands (including coastal accepted)
 - ▣ Need for emissions factors
- Call For authors
 - ▣ – IBCWG responded.

Progress

▣ Publication of reports and papers

- World Bank Report
- Duke University working group report
- Nature – mangrove stock estimates
- Emissions paper (lovelock et al.) ★

▣ Outreach

- US Agencies (e.g. NOAA Blue carbon group formed)
- World Bank (Blue carbon group formed)
- EU Commission staff briefing
- Demonstration project interest, guidance wanted
- CIFOR – Tropical Wetlands Workshop
- Science community networks – (notably Brazil, Indonesia)
- Press- Nature News, PointCarbon, ClimateWire, other