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**Highlights and Outcomes from The Tenure Facility
Project Leaders Meetings and M&E /LL Workshop**

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The Tenure Facility (TF) meetings in London showcased TF projects leaders' use of key skills, knowledge and strategies for achieving their goals. Rukka Sombolinggi (AMAN, Indonesia) and Constance Teague (SDI, Liberia) joined the panel launching RRI's 2015-2016 Annual Review "Closing the Gap: Strategies and Scale Needed to Secure Rights and Save Forests" on the morning of 3 February. They highlighted the growing international and national acceptance that secure tenure is key for addressing poverty, peace, deforestation and climate change, and that this growing acceptance in turn is creating new openings and investments to implement tenure reforms at scale in the face of continuing challenges.

Informal roundtable discussion amongst TF project leaders on the afternoon of 3 February revealed that TF projects are generating new excitement and hope in Liberia, Mali, Cameroon, Peru, Panama and Indonesia – where they engage national and local governments to secure collective land and forest rights for indigenous and local communities. In Mali, Helvetas and CNOP national peasant organization are working with government to secure tenure rights following the National Peace Accords. In Peru, the regional FENEMAD indigenous federation and the Peruvian national environmental NGO SPDA are successfully working with regional and national government to streamline titling regulations for indigenous lands. In Panama, a newly-formed indigenous legal clinic is offering communities stronger support for defending their territorial rights under existing law. In Cameroon, government ministries have welcomed the inauguration of the TF project to define standard mapping protocols for claiming community land rights. In Indonesia, AMAN and local governments have made progress titling indigenous lands in different areas of the country.

The Tenure Facility project leaders are not only implementing their TF initiatives; they are also test-piloting The Tenure Facility -- providing guidance to build a Tenure Facility that can most effectively respond to the global demand for tenure reform implementation at scale. The workshop on 4 February enabled the Pilot leaders to exchange experiences and provide feedback on the draft Monitoring and Evaluation & Lessons Learning Framework for TF. The draft TF M&E and Lessons Learning framework was presented and discussed.

The draft M&E framework will be revised to include a Theory of Change that communicates the context and purpose of The Tenure Facility, and captures "the how" of achievements.

Project leaders also responded to the questions -- what do you want to learn and how do you want to learn it? -- by proposing a flexible "reflection and learning" process that will build on what TF project leaders are already doing, and by requesting more opportunities for TF project holders to learn from each other. TF Project implementing organizations are already using rapid reflection on progress to adaptively manage for results, and diverse strategic communications to gain support for their agendas and share the momentum of their advances at national and local levels. TF project leaders were excited to learn more about each other's strategies and approaches.

TF will respond to the requests for future meetings and bilateral exchanges, as well as explore options for a web portal for sharing relevant documents, strategies and lessons.