GEC Steering Group April 2013 - Minutes

Present: Oliver Greenfield, Steve Bass, Dorothea Seebode
Apologies (or unable to attend due to call difficulties): Steven Stone, George Varughese, Connie Martinez, Rubens Born

Agenda April:

1. GEC priorities moving forward
2. Specific actions for Steering Group (transparency)
3. Membership and growth
4. AOB

1. Priorities

Actions and main points	Who?
• OG - We achieved a tremendous convergence and agreement at our Feb 2013 strategy event and have co-created an outline work-plan for three years (2013-2015). What shall we prioritise from this workplan? • SG discussed two questions: Where is the external energy? And where are the main connections to our work-plan? The main SG conclusions were:– **1.** the proliferation of national and regional green economy dialogue processes **2.** the limited attention to planetary limits and equity in national planning and dialogue processes **3.** the importance of the SDG and other measurement processes **4.** the importance of finance for a green economy and connections to mainstream finance reform processes **5.** the growing demand for policy advice and information	
• **Agreed actions:** **1. GEC members and secretariat to ramp up on engaging with dialogue processes - IIED to publish dialogue guide & GEC secretariat to engage with new stakeholders and existing members on dialogue also through PAGE)** **2. Develop our equity thinking - explore Wilton Park opportunity to incubate equity thinking** **3. Launch our Measure what matters project** **4. Evolve our finance project** **5. Ramp up our policy work** **6. Continue to enhance our communications activities: website, newsletters, linking to coalition and GGKP**	**SB & OG** **OG & SB** **OG** **OG (EB)** **OG (EB)** **OG (EB)**
• NOTE: All work streams agreed at GEC strategy meeting will be further developed but we start with the above.	

2. Specific actions for Steering Group (i.e. transparency)

Actions and main points	Who?
• OG – Steering Group is one of GEC's main assets. We have been asked to be more transparent about membership and decision making. • SG discussion about transparency, membership and attendance	
• **Agreed actions:** **1. SG to provide profiles for new page on website where SG minutes will be kept** **2. SG to nominate a second to ensure attendance** **3. Actively recruit business and finance SG members**	**SG & OG** **SG** **OG**

3. Membership and growth

Actions and main points	Who?
• OG – Our move to being an externally funded network means we are able to connect and leverage more collaborating partners, we have less financial expectations of membership and can be more flexible to allow new growth and members. • SG discussion – agreed that we can grow strategically, that new members only need to come to steering group for approval if there is a potential risk (OG to discern this risk – e.g. businesses or finance organisations) • **Agreed actions:** **1. OG to prepare revised membership form to reflect 2013-2015 strategy and increased expectation of collaboration (as opposed to financial contribution)** **2. OG to develop strategic list of potential new partners for targeting**	 **OG** **OG**

4. AOB – GEC legal entity

Actions and main points	Who?
• OG - GEC legal entity was discussed in Feb strategy meeting • Need more of SG present to come to conclusions on this point • **Agreed actions:** **1. OG to prepare one pager on pros and cons of alternative to set up proper SG debate and decisions**	 **OG**

<u>NEXT SG meeting Wednesday 22nd May 2013</u>