# Final Conclusions Financial Mechanism Committee 2009-14 10<sup>th</sup> meeting 10 March 2011

## 1. Meeting agenda

The meeting agenda was adopted with the following amendment: A possible cooperation with DG Environment and the Life + programme was added for discussion under agenda item 7 - Other issues.

## 2. Draft minutes and conclusions of the previous FMC meeting

The draft minutes and conclusions from the previous FMC meeting were adopted with one amendment to the minutes: 4.1 and 4.2 Public register and Public Access Policy, end of second paragraph: The Committee adopted the Public register with the following amendment: Donor Partnership Agreements should be listed with documents with limited access.

## 3. MoU update

The NMFA briefed the Committee on the MoU process. The Committee took note of the information.

# 4. Update on the new Information and Reporting System

The FMO briefed the Committee on the progress in the tender process for the new IRS. The Committee took note of the information.

## 5. Estimated payment forecast for the budgetary year 2011

The FMO briefed the Committee on the estimated payment forecast for 2011. The Committee took note of the information.

#### 6. Administrative issues

# 6.1 Opening of bank accounts and replenishment routines

The FMO informed the Committee that bank accounts have been opened in Fokus Bank, Norway, for the FMs 2009-14. The Committee took note of the information.

## 6.2 Public Access policy – adjusted

The FMO presented a new version of the Public Access policy document discussed in the last FMC meeting. The Committee agreed that the Policy applies for both Financial Mechanisms and adopted the document.

### 7. Other issues

The FMO informed the Committee that it had been approached by the DG Environment concerning their programme Life + and a possible cooperation with the EEA Grants.

The Committee asked the FMO to elaborate further on the issue and to present a recommendation for the next Committee meeting.

# 8. Next meeting

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for 12 April 2011.

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