CRAFT Committee meeting

August 5th, 2020 / 10th Zoom call
8:00 EST/COL | 16:00 CET |
Duration: 1 hour and 15 minutes

Support documents:
- Volumes 1, 2A, 2B and 3 of CRAFT 2.0 after 2nd round of public consultation - clean versions
- Volumes 1, 2A, 2B and 3 of CRAFT 2.0 after 2nd round of public consultation - track changes
- Matrix of comments of the 2nd round of consultation
- Meeting presentation

Next Steps
- CRAFT Committee members will meet again at the end of August to revise the changes of Volume 4: Guidance document.

Development of the meeting

1. Opening remarks and roll call
Simone (the Chair) could not attend the meeting, Yaw (the vice-chair) chaired the meeting and he confirmed the assistance of the Committee members in this call. He pointed out the importance of the meeting because it is the approval of the CRAFT 2.0 version after the adjustment considering the results of the second round of public consultation.

2. Summary of the CRAFT consultation activities and results
Natalia Uribe from the CRAFT’s project team provided the update regarding the engagement strategies, the activities and the results of the second round of the public consultation. The consultation period was from March 30th to May 30th, 2020. The team designed diverse strategies to engage with different groups. The team collected 137 completed surveys based on 8 possible thematic and key stakeholder group surveys templates, 15 direct suggestions in the volumes, and 13 webinars and sessions.

The main sessions were CRAFT International Webinar as one of the OECD conference replacement side sessions, webinars with RMI ASM Mining Group, Spanish and Francophone webinars, 4 webinars with PlanetGOLD support, 4 sessions with ASM miners, meeting session with IMPACT and Colombian dialogue group meeting.

The consultation result was 270 comments from 62 different participants (ASM miners, Refiners, Downstream companies, NGOs, Government agencies, academia, industry and standards initiatives). They were from 20 countries.

Natalia thanked you all Standard Committee members to support their collaboration and participation in this process.

3. Processing of comments
Natalia explained the rationale that CRAFT’s team used to tabulate, categorize and process the comments of the consultation.

The categories were:
- Out of scope, not addressed
- Comments recorded for communication, application and ; classified according to:
  - No change proposed, No change required and No change recommended by CRAFT team.
- Issues to be addressed for release of version 2; classified according to:
  - Strategic topic … for main discussion at AG level
  - Technical topic … for main discussion at SC level
  - Editorial topic … to be addressed by team
4. Seeking for the SC inputs and decision

Natalia shared some of the insights of the surveys. For instance: 82% of the participants agree with the new structure of the CRAFT, the level of acceptance of the core criteria was also high. Additionally, the perception of the use of CRAFT and CRAFT reports in relation to the due diligence is quite positive.

Then, she provided an overview of the structure of CRAFT 2.0. The main comments for the CRAFT Committee to discuss were:

**TECHNICAL**

**VOLUME 1**
- The precision of the definition of AMP member

**VOLUME 2A**
- Need to include a grievance mechanism for all HHRR violations
- Change in Module 4: Progress Criteria -> Initial and subsequent steps
- Adjustment to the criteria related to public and private armed forces
- Improvement of the requirement on gender violence
- Inclusion and precision of the relationship with the community, indigenous groups

**VOLUME 2B**
- Commodity specific criteria: tantalum, cobalt.

**EDITORIAL**

- List all the international conventions, laws used in CRAFT
- Include the question about CAHRA in the Module 1
- The precision of the internal supply chain scope
- Adjust the wording of the purpose of CRAFT
- Greater clarity regarding the definition and characteristics of the CRAFT Scheme and the open source license in Module 3
- Improve the readability of some criteria
- Module 5 needs to be clearer on that it is aspirational and "not compulsory"
- Extend guidance, references and examples in Volume 4

*Feedback from members:*

- **What is the time for the mitigation action between Initial action and subsequent action in the Module 4?**

  *Reply Natalia:* The module 4 includes the criteria of “Annex II Risks” Requiring Disengagement after Unsuccessful Mitigation. (MODULE 4 has pass/fail and progress criteria). Based on this, if there are risks classified as progress criteria, the mitigation plan should include an assessment within 6 months in alignment with the OECD Due Diligence Guidance.

- **May you adjust the writing of the following criterion and controlled measure?**

  M.5/2.1.1/R.1 The AMP takes steps towards being accepted and/or integrated into existing communities.
The suggestion is to adjust the controlled measure “The AMP coexists respectfully with the community or is accepted as part of the community. The AMP keeps a documentation to show that a respectful relationship is being developed with a range of representatives from communities (including the leaders but not limited), and that broad-based consent exists” in terms of if “a respectful relationship exists” is a step and the consent is another stage. The CRAFT committee member suggested to adjust the wording or to consider changing “and” at the end.

Reply by Felix and Natalia: in principle, we do not recommend to changing “and”, however, after understanding the recommendation, we will adjust the criterion.

- Will we have more references or examples for the criteria related to gender violence, AMP relation with the community?

Reply by Natalia: The volume 4 will include further references, guidance or examples for the criteria listed in Volumes 1, 2A, 2B and 3.

Final decision
After Natalia seek for feedback from the members of the specific elements, Yaw asked the Committee’s members for more comments or questions. The members did not say any other comment. Yaw concluded that members agreed with the new CRAFT 2.0 proposal including the editions after consultation.

5. Next steps and any other business
Natalia presented the next steps to finish the CRAFT 2.0.
• Incorporation of SC recommendations after this meeting.
• Seeking Advisory Group approval on August 11th
• Elevate to BD of ”standard maintainer (ARM)” for the official announcement: August 18th
• Technical advice CRAFT Committee meeting on volume 4- third week of August.
• Translation and design: End August.
• Launch of CRAFT 2.0- Early September.

Natalia will send the Doodle for the CRAFT committee members to agree on the date for the meeting to discuss the changes in the Volume 4.

Present:
• Yaw Britwum- Solidaridad project coordinator in Ghana.
• Andreina Rojas- Intel Conflict Minerals Outreach Specialist.
• Cesar Ipenza-Peruvian and environmental mining expert.
• Daniel M Riascos - Colombia Coodmilla coop representative.
• Jat Verma –Apple Social Responsibility representative.
• Lisa Sumi-IRMA Standard Coordinator.
• Peter Dawkins- RJC Standards Manager.
• Nawal Ait-Hocine- RJC Representative.
• Toby Pomeroy- ARM’s board of Directors.
• Matthew Chambers- ARM’s board of Directors.
• Rashad Abelson- OECD observer.

Project team:
• Yves Bertran- ARM Europe’s Executive Director.
• Natalia Uribe-ARM’S Standards and Certification Coordinator.
• Christophe Hanne- ARM’s CRAFT specialist.
- Felix Hruschka- Standards expert.
- Taylor Kennedy- RESOLVE Sr. Project Manager

Apologies and absentees:
- Simone Knobloch- Valcambi COO
- Fabiana Di Lorenzo- Estelle Levin Limited Due Diligence Manager
- Nimer Rivera - Miner representative (Peru).
- Susannah McLaren- LBMA Compliance and Responsible Sourcing Manager
- Rocio Fernandez- UNIDO representative
- Mauricio Cabrera- WWF Mining Policy Coordinator
- Phaedon Stamatopoulos- Argor-Heraus Director Refining & Bank Products
- Urica Primus - Guyana Women Miners Organization (GWMO) president.