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JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

SEVENTEENTH MEETING

Report

Date of meeting: 10–11 September 2009

Location: Kiev, Ukraine

Attendance: The names of members and alternate members of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC) present at the seventeenth meeting are in bold print below. Where only the name of an alternate member is in bold print, the alternate member participated as a member.

Members	Alternate Members
Mr. Olle Björk	<i>Mr. Franzjosef Schafhausen</i>
Mr. Muhammed Quamrul Chowdhury	<i>Mr. Maosheng Duan</i>
Mr. Carlos Fuller	<i>Mr. Javier Andrés Hubenthal</i>
Ms. Fatou Gaye	<i>Mr. Benjamin Longo-Mbenza</i>
Mr. Georgiy Geletukha	<i>Mr. Yoncho Georgiev Pelovski</i>
Mr. Hiroki Kudo	<i>Mr. Anton Beck</i>
Mr. Benoît Leguet	<i>Mr. Evgeny Sokolov</i>
Mr. Derrick Oderson	<i>Ms. Ngedikes Olai Uludong-Polloi</i>
Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov	<i>Ms. Agnieszka Galan</i>
Mr. Vlad Trusca	<i>Ms. Irina Voitekhovitch</i>

Quorum (in parenthesis required numbers):

10 (7) members/alternate members acting as members were present of which

6 (4) were from Annex I Parties and

4 (3) were from non-Annex I Parties.

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**Agenda item 1: Membership issues (including disclosure of possible conflict of interest)**

1. The Chair opened the meeting and thanked the National Environmental Investment Agency of the Ukraine for hosting the JISC and providing support for the organization of the seventeenth meeting of the JISC and the UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation (8–9 September 2009). The Chair also thanked the UNDP Ukraine Office for their assistance in planning and organizing the JISC meeting and the workshop in Kiev.
2. The Chair asserted that the quorum was met. No conflict of interest was identified by any member or alternate member of the JISC present at the meeting.
3. The JISC noted that Mr. Maosheng Duan, Mr. Franzjosef Schafhausen and Ms. Ngedikes Olai Uludong-Polloi were unable to attend the meeting and that they had provided proper justification for their absence.
4. Mr. Vlad Trusca informed the JISC of his resignation as a JISC member, effective 30 September 2009. The JISC thanked Mr. Trusca for his dedication to the work of the JISC since its establishment.
5. The JISC decided, bearing in mind the number of JISC meetings to be held prior to the next session of the Conference of the Parties serving as meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP), to appoint another member from the same constituency to replace Mr. Trusca for the remainder of his mandate and to request the relevant constituency, through the secretariat, to nominate the new member to be appointed in accordance with paragraph 1 of rule 8 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, with a view to allowing for the new member's participation in JISC meetings as soon as possible.

Agenda item 2: Adoption of the agenda

6. With regard to the proposed agenda, the Chair suggested to additionally discuss the following issue under proposed agenda item "Other matters":
 - Election of a new Vice-Chair.
7. The JISC adopted the agenda with the changes referred to in paragraph 6 above.

Agenda item 3: Work plan**Agenda sub-item 3 (a): Accreditation of independent entities**

8. The JISC took note of the thirteenth progress report on the work of the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel (JI-AP) orally presented by its Chair, Ms. Fatou Gaye. The report summarized information relating to the work of the JI-AP, including the status of applications for accreditation, the status of the roster of experts for joint implementation assessment teams (JI-ATs), and other outcomes of the JI-AP.

General guidance and process

9. The secretariat presented the draft version 05 of the procedure for accrediting independent entities by the JISC (JI accreditation procedure) recommended by the JI-AP to the JISC as a response to the request by the JISC at its thirteenth meeting.
10. The JISC considered the draft version 05 of the JI accreditation procedure and adopted it as recommended by the JI-AP, as contained in [annex 1](#).
11. The JISC took note of other progress made by the JI-AP as well as the measures under consideration by the JI-AP to further improve the joint implementation (JI) accreditation process.



JI-AP membership

12. The secretariat informed the JISC that, based on the request by the JISC at its last meeting, it had conducted a call for experts for JI-AP members from 9 July until 27 August 2009 to fill the positions of the three current members whose term expires on 28 September 2009 at the earliest, and presented a shortlist of candidates.

13. The JISC considered the shortlist and selected the following experts as members of the JI-AP for a two-year term starting on the first day of the JI-AP's twentieth meeting to be held on 9–10 November 2009:

- Mr. Takashi Otsubo
- Ms. Anastasia Moskalenko
- Mr. Pierre Boileau.

14. The JISC expressed its appreciation for the work done by the outgoing JI-AP members, Mr. Shinichi Iioka and Ms. Maureen Mutasa.

Further schedule

15. The JISC noted that the nineteenth meeting of the JI-AP is to take place on 24–25 September 2009.

Agenda sub-item 3 (b): Matters relating to determination and verification reports

16. The JISC took note of the report by the secretariat regarding the submission of documents under the verification procedure under the JISC (hereinafter referred to as JI Track 2 procedure). Since the launch of the JI Track 2 procedure on 26 October 2006, 193 project design documents (PDDs) had been submitted and made publicly available on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 32 of the JI guidelines. Eleven determinations regarding a PDD had been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 34 of the JI guidelines, of which:

- (a) Nine determinations had been deemed final in accordance with paragraph 35 of the JI guidelines;
- (b) One determination is open for request for review;
- (c) One determination had been rejected.

17. Six monitoring reports had been submitted and made publicly available on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 36 of the JI guidelines. Three verifications had been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 38 of the JI guidelines and all of them had been deemed final.¹

¹ According to paragraph 39 of the JI guidelines, a verification shall be deemed final 15 days after the date on which the verification is made public, unless a Party involved in the project or three of the members of the JISC request a review by the JISC.



18. The JISC also took note of the report by the secretariat on the status of information from Parties regarding their designated focal points (DFPs) and national guidelines and procedures for approving JI projects, in accordance with paragraph 20 (a) and (b) of the JI guidelines, required for the submission of determinations regarding a PDD. Thirty-four Annex I Parties had informed the secretariat of their DFPs.² Twenty-eight of these Parties had also submitted their national guidelines and procedures for approving JI projects.³

19. In response to a request by the JISC at its sixteenth meeting to conduct a survey of AIEs with a view to improving the usefulness of the information collected, the secretariat presented the findings of the revised survey. The JISC recommended that the secretariat to continue to conduct the survey without any additional changes.

20. The JISC also requested the secretariat to reinstate the survey of DFPs.

Agenda sub-item 3 (c): Development of a determination and verification manual

21. The secretariat presented the second draft of a determination and verification manual (DVM) that it had prepared in consultation with six JISC members/alternate members (Mr. Beck, Mr. Duan, Mr. Geletukha, Mr. Hubenthal, Mr. Kudo and Mr. Trusca) as requested by the JISC at its sixteenth meeting.

22. The secretariat also informed the JISC that, based on the request by the JISC at its last meeting, it launched a call for public inputs on the second draft DVM on 20 August 2009, to be closed on 16 September 2009.

23. The secretariat further presented a summary of the inputs on the second draft DVM from the participants of the UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation referred to in paragraph 1 above.

24. Considering the nature of the issue, based on the proposal by the Chair, the JISC agreed to consider the agenda item 4 (c) in conjunction with this agenda item.

25. The JISC considered the second draft DVM, taking into account the inputs referred to in paragraphs 23 and 24 above, and agreed on priority areas that the JISC would try to incorporate in the first version of the DVM.

26. The Chair requested the secretariat to prepare a third draft DVM, in consultation with five JISC members/alternate members (Mr. Beck, Mr. Duan, Mr. Geletukha, Mr. Hubenthal, Mr. Kudo), taking into account the JISC's consideration on the second draft as referred to in paragraph 25 above and the inputs from the call referred to in paragraph 22 above as appropriate, and submit it to the JISC for its consideration at the next meeting.

² Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, European Community, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom.

³ Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom.

**Agenda sub-item 3 (d): Development of definitions, forms, guidelines and procedures for joint implementation programmes of activities**

27. At its sixteenth meeting the JISC considered the inputs from a public call (28 April – 17 May 2009), the information note, and the inputs from the participants of the roundtable consultations (16 June 2009, Bonn), and requested the secretariat, in consultation with eight JISC members/alternate members (Mr. Björk, Mr. Chowdhury, Mr. Fuller, Ms. Gałan, Mr. Geletukha, Mr. Hubenthal, Mr. Leguet and Mr. Oderson) to prepare a second draft procedure and forms for JI programmes of activities (JI PoAs), and to launch a call for public inputs on the second draft.

28. The JISC considered the second draft of the procedure, taking into account the inputs of the UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation referred to in paragraph 1 above.

29. The JISC expressed support for the approach presented by the secretariat with respect to the accountability of accredited independent entities (AIEs) and coordinating entities and requested the secretariat to prepare a third draft. In particular, the JISC requested that the third draft:

- (a) Addresses issues of fraud associated with the verification procedure for a JI PoA;
- (b) Modifies paragraphs 1, 6-8, and 52 in accordance with the language agreed by the JISC.

30. The JISC discussed the JI PoA design document form prepared by the secretariat and requested the secretariat to prepare guidelines for the users of the JI PoA-DD form to be considered at its next meeting.

31. The JISC also requested the secretariat to prepare an information note summarizing the inputs provided on the on-going call for public inputs on the second draft of the JI PoA.

32. The JISC discussed the draft provision for the charging of fees for JI PoAs and agreed in principle to using a simplified approach that is based on a flat rate of USD 0.10 per tonne of CO₂ equivalent, with a view to further elaborating this approach in conjunction with a broad discussion on fees. The JISC requested the secretariat to prepare options to revise the provision for the charging of fees to be considered at its eighteenth meeting.

Agenda sub-item 3 (e): Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation

33. The JISC considered the process for the development of the JI management plan for the biennium 2010–2011, taking note of the information provided by the secretariat with regard to the elements and issues that would need to be taken into account. The JISC agreed that it would consider the draft JI management plan to be prepared by the secretariat at its next meeting, with a view to adopting the management plan at that meeting.

34. The JISC also discussed the current financial situation, including the status of contributions from Parties and the current shortfall of approximately USD 0.96 million in resources budgeted for the implementation of the activities presented in the JI management plan for the biennium 2008–2009. In this regard, the JISC thanked those Parties that had contributed to the funding of the work of the JISC during the current biennium and continued to encourage Parties to make further contributions to ensure that all necessary activities envisaged by the JISC can be carried out in a predictable and sustainable manner. The status of resources and contributions is provided in [annex 2](#).

**Agenda item 4: Other matters****Agenda sub-item 4 (a): Collaboration of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee with others**

35. The JISC invited the Chair of the DOE/AIE coordination forum (Mr. Shigenari Yamamoto, accompanied by Mr. Katsura Fukuda) to the meeting for interaction between the JISC and the forum on JI issues.

36. The Chair of the DOE/AIE coordination forum elaborated the inputs from the forum sent to the JISC for the present meeting for consideration by the JISC, proposing to develop a document containing explanations/clarifications and/or examples as an attachment to the DVM that the JISC is currently developing, as referred to in agenda item 3 (c) above.

37. The JISC took note of the inputs of the DOE/AIE coordination forum and informed the Chair of the forum that the JISC would take into account the proposal in the course of the development of a DVM.

38. The Chair of the JISC thanked the Chair of the DOE/AIE coordination forum for his attendance and expressed the usefulness of the inputs from and interaction with the forum.

39. The Chair reminded the JISC that, at its sixteenth meeting, the Joint Implementation Action Group (JIAG) was invited to present a further elaboration of their proposal to serve as a communication channel for project participants with the JISC.

40. The Chair also reminded the JISC that, at its sixteenth meeting, it agreed to launch a call for public inputs from any other project participants regarding the establishment of a communication channel with project participants with the JISC. The JISC also agreed at that meeting, subject to a final decision, that it would tentatively accept the JIAG's proposal to serve as a communication channel and invite the JIAG to interact with the JISC at its seventeenth meeting.

41. The JISC considered the inputs that had been received through the public call referred to in paragraph 40 above and the inputs received from, and discussions with, Mr. Lennard de Klerk on behalf of the JIAG.

42. The JISC agreed that it would continue to tentatively accept the JIAG's proposal to serve as a communication channel and invite the JIAG to interact with the JISC at its eighteenth meeting. The JISC also requested the Chair to communicate with the Project Developers Forum with regard to its interest in possibly serving as a communication channel for project participants with the JISC and agreed to invite the Project Developers Forum to interact with the JISC at its eighteenth meeting.

43. The JISC also requested the Chair to communicate the outcome of its deliberations referred to in paragraph 41 above, to the Project Developers Forum.

Agenda sub-item 4 (b): Elements for the annual report of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

44. The JISC considered the elements to be included in its annual report to the CMP and requested the secretariat to take into account the discussions on this matter in its preparation of the draft report for consideration by the JISC at its next meeting.

**Agenda sub-item 4 (c): Consideration of revisions to Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee documents relevant to determination and verification manual**

45. Considering the nature of the issue, based on the proposal by the Chair, the JISC agreed to consider this agenda item in conjunction with agenda item 3 (c).

46. Based on the request by the JISC at its last meeting, the secretariat presented an analysis of the inputs to the call for public inputs on the contents of DVM, conducted from 28 April until 17 May 2009, on necessary revisions to the existing documents adopted by the JISC.

47. The JISC considered the analysis and agreed on priority areas to consider further, including, a grace period for the use of approved CDM methodologies, partial use of approved CDM methodologies under the JI specific approach, in parallel with the development of the first version of DVM as referred to in paragraph 25 above.

48. The JISC requested the secretariat to prepare draft revisions of the existing documentation reflecting the priority areas referred to in paragraph 47 above.

Agenda sub-item 4 (d): Revisions to the rules of procedure of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee

49. The JISC considered possible revisions to its rules of procedure to clarify the application of the rules concerning the terms of alternate members to the JISC, and agreed to recommend to the CMP a revision to the rules of procedure as contained in [annex 3](#).

Agenda sub-item 4 (e): Other businessElection of a new Vice-Chair.

50. Following the resignation of Mr. Trusca, who is currently serving as the Vice-Chair, as referred to in paragraph 4 above, the Chair informed the JISC that it needed to select the replacement of the Vice-Chair.

51. The Chair reminded the JISC that in accordance with the rules of procedure of the JISC, the JISC shall elect its Chair and Vice-Chair from among its members, with the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair alternating annually between a member from a Party included in Annex I and a member from a Party not included in Annex I, and therefore, the replacement of Mr. Trusca as Vice-Chair shall be a member from a Party included in Annex I.

52. Mr. Benoît Leguet was nominated and the members unanimously agreed on his election as the Vice-Chair, effective 1 October 2009.

Provisional agenda

53. The JISC agreed on the provisional agenda of its eighteenth meeting, to be held on 22–23 October 2009, as contained in [annex 4](#).

Informal interaction with registered observers

54. The JISC invited registered observers for a webcasted question-and-answer session.

Agenda item 5: Conclusion of the meeting

55. The Chair summarized the main conclusions and closed the seventeenth meeting of the JISC.



Annexes to the report

Accreditation of independent entities

Annex 1: JI accreditation procedure, version 05

Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation

Annex 2: Status of resources and contributions

Other Matters

Annex 3: Revisions to the rules of procedure of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee

Annex 4: Provisional agenda of the eighteenth meeting of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee
