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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROPOSED AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda

1. ►Action: The Chair of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC) shall ascertain whether: (a) the members present constitute a quorum; and (b) the absence of any member or alternate member is “without proper justification”.

   Background: According to paragraph 14 of the annex to decision 9/CMP.1 on guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol (hereinafter referred to as the JI guidelines), at least two thirds of the members of the JISC, representing a majority of members from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention and a majority of members from Parties not included in Annex I, must be present to constitute a quorum.

2. ►Action: The JISC may wish to adopt the proposed agenda of the twenty-ninth meeting.

   Background: At its previous meeting, the JISC agreed on items to be included in the provisional agenda of its twenty-ninth meeting. The proposed agenda was transmitted to the JISC on 7 May 2012 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC JI website.

2. Membership issues (including disclosure of possible conflict of interest)

3. ►Action: The Chair shall request the members and alternate members of the JISC to disclose whether they consider themselves to have a conflict of interest relating to the work of the JISC.

   Background: According to paragraph 10(b) of the JI guidelines, quoted in paragraph 2 of rule 9 of the Rules of procedures of the JISC, members, including alternate members, of the JISC shall have no pecuniary or financial interest in any aspect of a joint implementation (JI) project.

   According to paragraph 11 of the JI guidelines, quoted in paragraph 1 of rule 7 of the Rules of procedure of the JISC, the JISC may suspend and recommend to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) the termination of the membership of a particular member, including an alternate member, on grounds including, inter alia, breach of the conflict of interest provisions, breach of the confidentiality provisions or failure to attend two consecutive meetings of the JISC without proper justification.

3. Work plan

(a) Accreditation of independent entities

4. ►Action: The JISC may wish to select experts from the list of candidates to replace the outgoing members of the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel (JI-AP).

   Background: The JISC invited applications from experts to act as members of the JI-AP with a view to selecting members for the new term of service of the panel at its twenty-ninth meeting. A call for experts was open from 19 March to 19 April 2012.

5. ►Action: The JISC may wish to take note that the twenty-eighth meeting of the JI-AP has been postponed.

   Background: The twenty-eighth meeting of the JI-AP was postponed due to the status of ongoing accreditation assessment activities and cost effectiveness.
(b) **Matters relating to determination and verification reports**

6. **Action**: The JISC may wish to consider and discuss the status of (a) projects submitted under the JI Track 2 procedure as well as (b) information provided by Parties in accordance with paragraph 20 of the JI guidelines, and (c) information about the external experts.

**Background**: At its fifth meeting, the JISC officially launched the verification procedure under the JISC (hereinafter referred to as JI Track 2 procedure) on 26 October 2006. Since the launch of the procedure, the information regarding Parties’ designated focal points (DFPs), national guidelines and procedures for approving JI projects, in accordance with paragraph 20 (a) and (b) of the JI guidelines, have not been provided to the secretariat by some Parties, as required for the submission of determination reports regarding project design documents (PDDs).

7. **Action**: The JISC may wish to consider the draft revised provisions for the charging of fees to cover administrative costs relating to the activities of the JISC and its supporting structures, as contained in annex 1 to these annotations, as well as an analysis on the potential financial implications of the revisions.

**Background**: The CMP, at its seventh session, requested the JISC to review the structure of fees, specifically to ensure that fees paid for a project under the Track 1 procedure can be offset against fees to be paid under the Track 2 procedure and vice versa, noting that such an offset shall not provide for any reimbursement of fees that have already been paid, and shall be effected only once per project activity. The JISC, at its twenty-eighth meeting, after considering a proposal for revising the provisions for the charging of fees, requested the secretariat to draft revised provisions, taking into account the inputs given by the JISC, including adjustments to charge fees for switching from Track 1 to Track 2 and vice versa, for consideration by the JISC at its twenty-ninth meeting. The JISC also requested the secretariat to provide an analysis of the potential financial implications of the revision.

(c) **Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation**

8. **Action**: The Board may wish to take note of the report on the status of resources and contributions, as contained in annex 2 to these annotations.

**Background**: The JISC, through its JI-MAP 2012, requested to receive updates on financial status and projections of future fee income.

4. **Other matters**

(a) **Guidance by the CMP**

9. **Action**: The JISC may wish to consider a concept note on the review of the JI guidelines, as contained in annex 3 to these annotations.

**Background**: Building on the request by the CMP at its seventh session, the JISC, at its twenty-eighth meeting, agreed to further provide a draft revision of the JI guidelines to the CMP in order to illustrate the implementation of the attributes and transitional measures. The JISC requested the secretariat in collaboration with a group of members (Mr. Beck, Mr. Chyzhenko, Mr. Dombrowicki, Mr. Kudo, Mr. Lansana, Mr. Leguet, Mr. Pluzhnikov, Mr. Sokolov, Ms. Wollansky, and Ms. Voitekhovitch) to prepare draft materials for consideration by the JISC at its twenty-ninth and thirtieth meetings.

(b) **Relations with stakeholders, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations**

10. **Action**: The JISC may wish to take note of an update on meetings and activities of the Designated Focal Point Forum (DFP Forum) in conjunction with forthcoming meetings.
Background: The JISC, at its twenty-fifth meeting, agreed on the terms of reference for the DFP Forum.

11. Action: The JISC may wish to consider written inputs from the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum, if any, invite the chair of the forum to the meeting and interact with the Chair, as appropriate.

   Background: The JISC, at its tenth meeting, decided to recognize the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum as a communication channel between the JISC and AIEs and applicant independent entities (IEs). The JISC also invited written inputs from the forum for discussion under an agenda item dedicated to interactions between the JISC and the forum.

12. Action: The JISC may wish to consider any inputs received from the Joint Implementation Action Group (JIAG) and the Project Developer Forum (PD Forum), and interact with their representatives, as appropriate.

   Background: The JISC, at its nineteenth meeting, decided to recognize the JIAG and the PD Forum as communication channels between the JISC and project participants. The JISC also invited both the JIAG and the PD Forum to send a representative each as an observer to every meeting of the JISC, in order to interact with the JISC.

13. Action: The JISC may wish to: (a) agree to avail itself for informal briefings with registered observers in the afternoon of the last day of the meeting; and (b) invite members and alternates to share information on events in which they participated.

   Background: The CMP, through paragraph 5(d) of decision 10/CMP.1, encouraged the JISC to collaborate with observers to its meetings through regular question-and-answer sessions held in this context. Since its establishment, the JISC met with observers for a webcasted question-and-answer session at each meeting.

(c) Other business

14. Action: The JISC may wish to discuss a plan for media engagement on issues relating to JI and a communication and outreach strategy.

   Background: The JISC, through its JI-MAP 2011, decided to enhance the promotion of the mechanism by seeking opportunities to engage the media on issues relating to JI. The JISC, at its twenty-eighth meeting, took note of the draft communication and outreach workplan and agreed to consider it again at its next meeting with a view to having a communication and outreach strategy.

15. Action: The JISC may wish to consider a report on recent developments and prospects in the carbon market and related governmental policies.

   Background: The secretariat will provide an update on the developments in carbon market activities and related policies and negotiations.

16. Action: The JISC may wish to share with representatives of the panel of the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) Policy Dialogue experience on the implementation of the JI and views on the development and potential future use of the market based mechanisms.

   Background: Following the discussions at its twenty-eighth meeting, the JISC will meet with members of the panel for the CDM Policy Dialogue.

5. Conclusion of the meeting

17. Action: The JISC may wish to agree to the report of the twenty-seventh meeting.

   Background: The Chair will summarize the meeting and adopt the report, including references to any decisions taken.