Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee



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JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

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¹ The first meeting of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC) will be preceded by informal consultations on 1–2 February 2006, lasting until mid-day on 2 February. The first JISC meeting will start at 14:00 on 2 February.



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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROPOSED AGENDA

1. Welcome and opening

- 1. The secretariat welcomes the members and alternate members of the Joint Implementation² Supervisory Committee (JISC) elected by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (COP/MOP) at its first session in Montreal, Canada, asserts whether the quorum³ has been achieved, opens the first meeting of the JISC and chairs it until the election of a Chair has been successfully concluded.
- 2. **Action:** The secretariat may wish to ascertain whether (a) the members present constitute a quorum, and (b) the absence of any member or alternate member is "without proper justification".

2. Adoption of the agenda

- 3. **Background:** The secretariat drafted a provisional agenda for the first meeting of the JISC and provided it to the members and alternate members on 19 December 2006. Inputs by members and alternate members of the JISC received by the secretariat by the deadline of 4 January 2006 were considered in drafting the proposed agenda and the annotations thereto. The proposed agenda was transmitted to the JISC on 11 January 2006 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC JI web site.
- 4. **Action:** The JISC may wish to adopt the proposed agenda for the first meeting.

3. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

- 5. **Background:** According to paragraph 7 of the annex to decision -/CMP.1 (*Guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol*) (herewith referred as "JI guidelines") the JISC "shall elect annually a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson from among its members, with one being from a Party included in Annex I and the other being from a Party not included in Annex I. The positions of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall alternate annually between a member from a Party included in Annex I and a member from a Party not included in Annex I."
- 6. **Action:** Nominations shall be made and the election of the Chair and Vice-Chair is to take place. Subsequently the newly elected Chair assumes his/her functions.

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

- 7. **Background:** According to subparagraph 10 (b) of the JI guidelines members, including alternate members, of the JISC shall have no pecuniary or financial interest in any aspect of a joint implementation project.
- 8. According to paragraph 11 of the JI guidelines the JISC may suspend and recommend to the COP/MOP the termination of the membership of a particular member, including an alternate member, for cause including, inter alia, breach of the conflict of interest provisions, or failure to attend two consecutive meetings of the JISC without proper justification.
- 9. The Chair may wish to request members and alternate members to disclose whether they consider to have any conflict of interest relating to the work of the JISC.

² Activities defined by Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol are referred to as Joint Implementation (JI).

³ According to paragraph 14 of the JI guidelines at least "two thirds of the members of the Article 6 Supervisory Committee, representing a majority of members from Parties included in Annex I and a majority of members from Parties not included in Annex I, must be present to constitute a quorum."



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10. The JISC may wish to consider information provided by any member and alternate member, including with respect to any potential conflict of interest, and take action, if appropriate.

5. Work plan

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(a) Rules of procedure

- 11. **Background:** In subparagraph 2 (a) of decision -/CMP.1 (*Implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol*), the COP/MOP requests the JISC to "develop, as soon as possible, rules of procedure taking into consideration, as appropriate, the rules of procedure of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism, and to recommend them for adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its second session, and to apply them provisionally until they are so adopted". This decision is based on the JI guidelines stipulating in subparagraph 3 (g) that the JISC shall be responsible for "the elaboration of any rules of procedure additional to those contained in the {JI guidelines}, for consideration by the COP/MOP", and containing basic provisions for the functioning of the JISC. The draft rules of procedure prepared by the secretariat (Annex 1) combine these provisions and propose further ones aimed at ensuring the smooth and transparent functioning of the JISC.
- 12. **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider the draft rules of procedure and determine whether to recommend them to the COP/MOP at its second session for adoption, and to apply them provisionally until they are so adopted.

(b) <u>Joint implementation project design document (JI PDD)</u>

- **Background:** In subparagraph 2 (d) of decision -/CMP.1 (Implementation of Article 6 of the Kvoto 13. Protocol), the COP/MOP requests the JISC to "elaborate and agree on a joint implementation project design document pursuant to paragraph 3 (e) of the guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol, with the understanding that it shall be applied provisionally until the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol has adopted it in accordance with the guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol". This decision is based on the JI guidelines stipulating in subparagraph 3 (e) that the JISC shall be responsible for the "elaboration of the Article 6 project design document, for consideration by the COP/MOP, taking into consideration appendix B of the annex on modalities and procedures for a clean development mechanism and giving consideration to relevant work of the Executive Board of the CDM, as appropriate", and containing basic provisions for the contents of the JI PDD. On this basis, and taking into account subparagraph 4 (b) of decision -/CMP.1 (Implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol) determining that the "relevant parts of the clean development mechanism project design document, and of the project design document for small-scale clean development mechanism project activities, may be applied by project participants under joint implementation, as appropriate", a draft JI PDD was prepared by the secretariat (Annex 2).
- 14. **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider the draft joint implementation project design document and determine whether to recommend it to the COP/MOP for adoption, provisionally applying the JI PDD in the meantime.

(c) Other issues, including those relating to accreditation of independent entities

15. **Background:** Apart from the development of rules of procedure and the JI PDD, paragraph 2 of decision -/CMP.1 (*Implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol*) lists further issues to be included, inter alia, in the work programme of the JISC such as the further elaboration of standards and procedures for the accreditation of independent entities, the accreditation of independent entities, the development of guidelines for users, inter alia, of the JI PDD, the development of guidance with regard to baseline setting and monitoring, including provisions for small-scale projects, and the development of provisions for the charging of fees to cover administrative costs relating to the activities of the JISC.



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- 16. The secretariat will make a presentation proposing steps to be taken to accomplish the work plan until the second session of the COP/MOP, bearing in mind the availability of resources (see also agenda item 6).
- 17. **Action:** Members may wish to consider each of these further issues and decide on the steps to be taken to accomplish these tasks.

6. Management plan for the biennium 2006–2007 (incl. schedule)

- 18. **Background:** According to subparagraph 2 (g) of decision -/CMP.1 (*Implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol*), the JISC shall "develop, as soon as possible, its management plan including a budget plan for the period 2006–2007, and keep it under review, bearing in mind the experience of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism in this area, as appropriate".
- 19. The secretariat will make a presentation on major elements to be included in the management plan and provide corresponding budget estimates so that extra budgetary resources can be mobilized without delay.
- 20. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss the features of a management plan for the biennium 2006–2007 (incl. schedule) on the basis of the issues listed in paragraph 2 of decision -/CMP.1 (*Implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol*) and request the secretariat to draft a management plan taking into consideration the results of the discussion for consideration at the second meeting of the JISC.

7. Other matters

- 21. The JISC may wish to consider, whether it wishes to provide for an informal meeting with registered observers in the same manner practiced by the CDM Executive Board.
- 22. The Chair may wish to propose for the approval of the JISC a schedule of meetings for the year 2006.
- 23. The JISC may wish to discuss and agree upon the provisional agenda of the next meeting.

8. Conclusion of the meeting

24. The Chair may wish to summarize the meeting and the decisions taken.

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