

**JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE****Sixth meeting****Proposed agenda and annotations**

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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROPOSED AGENDA

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

1. **Background:** According to paragraph 2 of rule 12 of the rules of procedure of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC), the secretary of the JISC shall preside over the opening of the first JISC meeting of each calendar year and conduct the election of the new Chair and Vice-Chair.
2. 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 JI guidelines) at least two thirds of the members of the JISC, 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.
3. According to paragraph 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 JI project. Paragraph 2 of rule 9 of the rules of procedure of the JISC additionally stipulates that members, including alternate members, of the JISC shall have no pecuniary or financial interest in any accredited independent entity (AIE), or any designated operational entity acting provisionally as an AIE.
4. 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 (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.
5. **Action:** The secretary of the 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”.
6. The secretary of the JISC shall request the members and alternate members of the JISC to disclose whether they consider to have any conflict of interest relating to the work of the JISC.
7. The JISC may wish to consider information provided by any member or alternate member, including with respect to any potential conflict of interest, and take action, if appropriate.

2. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

8. **Background:** According to paragraph 7 of the JI guidelines the JISC “shall elect annually a Chair and Vice-Chair 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 Chair and Vice-Chair shall alternate annually between a member from a Party included in Annex I and a member from a Party not included in Annex I.” Therefore, the next Chair, to be elected at the sixth meeting of the JISC, shall be a member from a Party not included in Annex I.
9. **Action:** Nominations shall be made and the elections of the new Chair and Vice-Chair are to take place. Subsequently, the elected Chair and Vice-Chair shall assume their functions.



3. Adoption of the agenda

10. **Background:** The JISC agreed, at its fifth meeting, on items to be included in the provisional agenda of its sixth meeting. In accordance with rule 19 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, subsequent additions or changes to the provisional agenda of a meeting may be proposed to the secretariat by any member, or alternate member, and incorporated in the proposed agenda. One suggestion for additions or changes was received by the secretariat before the relevant deadline. This suggestion was taken into account by the secretariat in consultation with the Chair when preparing the proposed agenda, which was transmitted to the JISC on 25 January 2007 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC JI website.

11. **Action:** The members of the JISC may wish to adopt the proposed agenda of the sixth meeting.

4. Outcome of the second session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

12. **Background:** At the second session of the COP/MOP, which took place in Nairobi (Kenya), two decisions directly related to JI were adopted, namely:

- (a) Decision -/CMP.2 (*Implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol*); and
- (b) Decision -/CMP.2 (*Guidance on the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol*).

13. **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider the outcomes of the second session of the COP/MOP referred to in paragraph 12 above and discuss implications, in particular for its work programme for the year 2007.

5. Work plan

(a) Small-scale projects

14. **Background:** In paragraph 14 of decision -/CMP.2 (*Guidance on the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol*), the COP/MOP, at its second session, amended the thresholds for JI small-scale (SSC) projects in accordance with the revised thresholds for SSC project activities under the clean development mechanism (CDM) as defined in decision -/CMP.2 (*Further guidance relating to the clean development mechanism*).

15. In line with this amendment, the secretariat prepared the following revisions of JI SSC related documents adopted by the JISC:

- (a) Draft provisions for JI SSC projects (version 02); and
- (b) Draft guidelines for users of the JI project design document (PDD) form for SSC projects and the form for submission of bundled JI SSC projects (version 02).

16. The documents referred to in paragraph 15 above were prepared:

- (a) In consultation with the Chair of the JISC;
- (b) Taking into account inputs by Mr. Castro, Ms. Gaye, Mr. Sokolov and Mr. Trusca, the JISC members (including alternate members) who had already been involved in the development of version 01 of the documents mentioned above; and
- (c) Considering the treatment of SSC project activities under the CDM.



17. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss and adopt revised:

- (a) Provisions for JI SSC projects on the basis of the draft contained in annex 1 below; and
- (b) Guidelines for users of the JI PDD form for SSC projects and the form for submission of bundled JI SSC projects on the basis of the draft contained in annex 2 below.

(b) Accreditation of independent entities

18. **Background:** On the basis of the accreditation procedure adopted by the JISC at its fourth meeting, on 6 October 2006 entities, including designated operational entities under the CDM, could start submitting applications for accreditation under JI to the secretariat.

19. Based on the terms of reference for JI assessment teams (JI-ATs) agreed on by the JISC also at its fourth meeting, the secretariat, as mandated, launched two public calls for experts to be included in the roster of experts for JI-ATs, open for applications from 9 October until 20 November 2006 and from 13 December 2006 until 17 January 2007, respectively.

20. The JI-AP held its third and fourth meetings on 8-10 December 2006 and 25-26 January 2007, respectively. At these meeting, the JI-AP established a roster of experts for JI-ATs, considered the applications for accreditation from independent entities received by the secretariat by mid-January 2007, and established JI-ATs with regard to these applications. The JI-AP also agreed on internal procedural issues.

21. **Action:** The JISC may wish to (a) take note of the second progress report on the work of the JI-AP and an oral report by its Chair, Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov, on the work of the panel; (b) consider the recommendations by the JI-AP and take action, as appropriate; and (c) consider further guidance to the JI-AP, as appropriate.

(c) Determination reports regarding project design documents

22. **Background:** The JISC officially launched the verification procedure under the JISC, the so-called JI Track 2 procedure, on 26 October 2006 during its fifth meeting.

23. In this context, the JISC, at its fifth meeting, also confirmed that at least one Party has to be involved in a JI project in addition to the host Party(ies). It further clarified that at least one written project approval by a Party involved other than the host Party(ies) has to be provided to the AIE, additionally to that (those) of the host Party(ies), and made available to the secretariat by the AIE when submitting the determination report regarding the PDD for publication. It also decided to reconsider this issue at its sixth meeting taking into account the experience gained by that time.

24. At its fourth meeting, the JISC had requested the secretariat to launch a new call for experts on the basis of the terms of reference for experts appraising determinations or participating in review teams under the verification procedure under the JISC in order to increase the number of experts in the roster established and to strengthen the diversity of expertise. It had decided to consider the results at its sixth meeting. The call was open from 15 December 2006 until 26 January 2007.

25. **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider and discuss the experience gained since the launch of the JI Track 2 procedure, including with regard to project approvals by Parties involved in JI projects other than the host Party(ies), and take action, as appropriate.

26. Additionally, the JISC may wish to consider the applications received in response to the call for experts referred to in paragraph 24 above.



6. Other matters

(a) Review of financial status (including fees and costs under the accreditation process)

27. **Background:** At its fourth meeting, the JISC adopted provisions for the charging of fees to cover administrative costs relating to the activities of the JISC, and subsequently submitted them to the COP/MOP for endorsement at its second session. The COP/MOP, through paragraph 16 of decision -/CMP.2 (*Guidance on the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol*), endorsed the fee structure developed by the JISC, and requested the JISC, through paragraph 17 of the same decision, to report annually to the COP/MOP on the revenue received by the secretariat from the charging of these fees, with a view to reviewing these arrangements as necessary.

28. The COP/MOP, through paragraph 18 of decision -/CMP.2 (*Guidance on the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol*), expressed deep concern about the shortfall in resources for work on JI in the biennium 2006–2007, and, through paragraph 19 of the same decision, urged Parties to make contributions to the Trust Fund for Supplementary Activities for funding the work on JI in the biennium 2006–2007 as of early 2007, at a level that would allow the full implementation of the JI management plan for 2006–2007.

29. **Action:** The JISC may wish to review the status of revenue from fees and contributions by Parties and take action, as appropriate.

(b) Results of the UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation

30. **Background:** The sixth meeting of the JISC is preceded by the third workshop on JI organised by the UNFCCC secretariat on 13–14 February 2007. Information on the workshop in general as well as on its agenda is available under http://ji.unfccc.int/Workshop/February_2007/index.html.

31. **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider the outcome of the UNFCCC technical workshop on JI and discuss possible conclusions, in particular with regard to its work programme for the year 2007, as appropriate.

(c) Collaboration of the JISC with others

32. **Background:** The COP/MOP, through paragraph 5 of decision 10/CMP.1, encouraged the JISC to collaborate with (a) the Executive Board of the CDM; (b) the Compliance Committee under the Kyoto Protocol, in particular with regard to the list of Parties referred to in paragraph 27 of the JI guidelines; (c) the designated focal points for Article 6 under the Kyoto Protocol; and (d) observers to meetings of the JISC, referred to in paragraph 18 of the JI guidelines, through regular question-and-answer sessions held in this context.

33. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss means by which to collaborate with stakeholders, in particular with those mentioned in paragraph 32 above, on the basis of experience gained in this respect since its establishment and take action, as appropriate.



(d) **Criteria for baseline setting and monitoring**

34. **Background:** According to paragraph 3 (d) of the JI guidelines, the JISC shall be responsible for the review and revision of reporting guidelines and criteria for baselines and monitoring in appendix B of the JI guidelines, for consideration by the COP/MOP, giving consideration to relevant work of the Executive Board of the CDM, as appropriate.

35. At its first meeting, the JISC decided to discuss the need for work with regard to paragraph 3 (d) of the JI guidelines at its sixth or seventh meeting.

36. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss the schedule of work regarding paragraph 3 (d) of the JI guidelines, as appropriate.

37. In addition to the matters mentioned in paragraphs 27-36 above, the JISC may wish to discuss and agree upon the provisional agenda of its seventh meeting.

7. Conclusion of the meeting

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

39. The JISC may wish to adopt the report of its sixth meeting.
