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JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

SEVENTH MEETING

Report

Date of meeting: 3–4 May 2007

Location: Bonn, Germany

Attendance: The names of members and alternate members present at the seventh 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. Georg Börsting	<i>Mr. Darren Goetze</i>
Mr. Jaime Bravo	<i>Mr. Marcos Castro Rodriguez</i>
Ms. Fatou Gaye	Mr. Vincent Kasulu Seya Makonga
Mr. Maurits Blanson Henkemans (Mr. Shailendra Kumar Joshi) ¹	Mr. Hiroki Kudo <i>Mr. Maosheng Duan</i>
Mr. Derrick Oderson	<i>Ms. Yumiko Crisostomo</i>
Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov	Mr. Evgeny Sokolov
Ms. Daniela Stoycheva	<i>Ms. Astrida Celmina</i>
Mr. Vlad Trusca	Mr. Matej Gasperic

Quorum (in parenthesis required numbers):

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

6 (4) were from Annex I Parties and

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

WWW broadcasting: <http://ji.unfccc.int/Sup_Committee/Meetings>.

¹ Mr. Joshi resigned as a JISC member as of 2 May 2007.

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

1. In accordance with paragraph 2 of rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC), the Vice-Chair shall serve as the Chair, if the elected Chair is not able to serve in that capacity for a meeting. Due to the absence of the elected Chair, Mr. Joshi, the Vice-Chair opened the meeting and asserted that the quorum was met.
2. No conflict of interest was identified by any member or alternate member of the JISC present at the meeting.
3. The JISC noted that, in addition to Mr. Joshi, Mr. Blanson Henkemans, Mr. Castro, Ms. Celmina, Ms. Crisostomo, Mr. Duan, Mr. Goetze and Mr. Schafhausen were unable to attend the meeting and had provided proper justification for their absence.
4. The Vice-Chair informed the JISC that Mr. Joshi, elected as Chair of the JISC during its previous meeting, had resigned as a JISC member as of 2 May 2007.
5. The Vice-Chair provided the following procedural clarifications:
 - (a) According to paragraph 3 of rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, if the Chair of the JISC ceases to be able to carry out his or her functions, or ceases to be a member of the JISC, a new Chair shall be elected for the remainder of the term;
 - (b) According to paragraphs 1 and 2 of rule 8 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, if a member of the JISC resigns or is otherwise unable to complete the assigned term of office or to perform the functions of that office, the JISC may decide, bearing in mind the proximity of the next session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP), to appoint another member from the same constituency to replace the said member for the remainder of that member's mandate. In such a case, the JISC shall take into account any views expressed by the group that had nominated the member. The JISC shall request the relevant constituency to nominate the new member to be appointed in accordance with paragraph 1 of rule 8 of the rules of procedure of the JISC.

Agenda item 2: Adoption of the agenda

6. The Vice-Chair suggested to add two items to the proposed agenda circulated to the JISC members (including alternate members) three weeks before the meeting:
 - (a) Election of Chair;
 - (b) Replacement of resigned member.
7. Furthermore, the Vice-Chair suggested to additionally discuss the organisation of the next UNFCCC technical workshop on JI and the handling of communications addressed to the JISC under agenda item "other matters".
8. The JISC adopted the agenda with the changes suggested and mentioned in paragraphs 6 and 7 above as proposed.

Agenda item 3: Election of Chair

9. The Vice-Chair of the JISC, serving as the Chair, invited nominations for the election of the new Chair of the JISC for the remainder of the term of the resigned Chair. Ms. Fatou Gaye, a member from a Party not included in Annex I, was nominated and the members present and voting unanimously agreed on her election as Chair until immediately before the first meeting of the JISC in 2008.



10. The JISC expressed deep appreciation to the outgoing member and Chair, Mr. Shailendra Kumar Joshi, for his outstanding dedication and leadership during the time since the establishment of the JISC.

11. Ms. Gaye took up the role of Chair of the JISC.

Agenda item 4: Replacement of resigned member

12. The JISC decided, bearing in mind the proximity of the next session of the CMP, to appoint another member from the same constituency to replace Mr. Joshi 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 meetings of the JISC as soon as possible.

Agenda item 5: Work plan

Agenda sub-item 5 (a): Accreditation of independent entities

13. The JISC took note of the third progress report on the work of the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel (JI-AP) presented by its Chair, Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov. The report summarized information relating to the work of the JI-AP, including recommendations on clarifications on procedural issues, as well as the status of applications for accreditation, the status of rosters of experts for joint implementation assessment teams (JI-ATs) and other outcome agreed on by the JI-AP.

General guidance and process

14. The JISC considered measures to facilitate the accreditation regarding the function of determination of emission reductions or enhancements of removals (hereinafter referred to as verification), based on the recommendation by the JI-AP on this issue. In this context, the JISC reminded independent entities (IEs) that witnessing activities with regard to the verification function may be based on monitoring periods covering any reasonable length of time, provided acceptance by JI-AT leaders as part of the acceptance process of witnessing opportunities under the JI accreditation procedure. The JISC additionally clarified that witnessing activities with regard to the verification function may also be based on monitoring before the beginning of 2008 as specified in annex 1 to this report.

15. The JISC also considered measures to reduce cost and time for the accreditation of applicant IEs that are designated operational entities (DOEs) under the clean development mechanism (CDM). The JISC took note of the state of discussion on this issue by the JI-AP, reported by the Chair of the JI-AP, which had taken into account the input from the Chair of the DOE/applicant entity (AE) coordination forum submitted upon the request of the JISC. On this basis, the JISC agreed to communicate with the CDM Executive Board to seek its opinion on the possibility and modalities, if appropriate, of collaboration between the JI and CDM accreditation processes.

16. Furthermore, the JISC considered the draft revised clarification regarding the conditions for DOEs for acting provisionally as accredited IEs (C-JI-ACCR-01), and agreed on the revision as recommended by the JI-AP and contained in annex 2.

17. In order to fill the vacant post in the JI-AP - Mr. Ken Beck Lee had resigned as a JI-AP member as of 14 February 2007 - the JISC selected Mr. Massamba Thioye as a new JI-AP member from the shortlist of candidates prepared by the secretariat, based on the call for experts conducted from 28 February until 27 March 2007. The JISC requested Mr. Thioye to start his work for the JI-AP as soon as the necessary administrative procedure for the appointment is completed.

**Further schedule**

18. The JISC noted that the sixth meeting of the JI-AP is to take place on 16–17 June 2007.

Agenda sub-item 5 (b): Determination reports regarding project design documents

19. The JISC took note of the report of the secretariat regarding submissions 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, 50 project design documents (PDDs) had been submitted and made publicly available on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 32 of the annex to decision 9/CMP.1 (hereinafter referred to as JI guidelines). One determination regarding a PDD had been published and deemed final in accordance with paragraphs 34 and 35 of the JI guidelines.

20. The JISC also took note of the report of 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 determination reports regarding PDDs. Twenty-six Annex I Parties had informed the secretariat of their designated focal points.² From these Parties, fourteen had also submitted their national guidelines and procedures for approving JI projects.³ The JISC encouraged Parties wishing to be involved in JI projects to provide to the secretariat information in accordance with paragraph 20 of the JI guidelines if this information had not been previously provided.

Agenda sub-item 5 (c): Management plan for the biennium 2006–2007

21. The JISC considered the need for revisions to the JI management plan for the biennium 2006–2007 (JI-MAP 2006–07). In this context, the JISC also discussed its work programme for 2007 and the current financial situation, including the status of contributions from Parties. Following discussions on this matter, the JISC requested the secretariat, in accordance with paragraphs 4 and 5 of decision 3/CMP.2, to prepare a revised version of the JI-MAP 2006–07 for consideration at its next meeting.

22. The JISC also thanked those Parties that had contributed to the funding of the work of the JISC so far.

23. The status of resources and contributions is provided in [annex 3](#).

Agenda sub-item 5 (d): Management plan for the biennium 2008–2009

24. The JISC initiated its discussion on the JI management plan for the biennium 2008–2009 (JI-MAP 2008–09). Following discussions on this matter, the JISC requested the secretariat, in accordance with paragraphs 4 and 5 of decision 3/CMP.2, to prepare a draft JI-MAP 2008–09 for consideration at its next meeting, taking into account the views expressed and, as appropriate, the programme budget of the secretariat for the biennium 2008–2009.

² Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom

³ Austria, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Japan, Netherlands, Romania, Sweden, Ukraine, United Kingdom

**Agenda item 6: Other matters***Collaboration of the JISC with others*

25. The JISC discussed means by which to collaborate with stakeholders, in particular with those mentioned in paragraph 5 of decision 10/CMP.1, on the basis of experience gained in this respect since its establishment.

26. Regarding the Executive Board of the CDM, the JISC decided to mandate the Chair of the JISC, supported by the secretariat, to contact this body to establish communication channels with a view to identifying areas of enhanced co-operation.

27. Regarding DFPs, the JISC decided to mandate the Chair of the JISC, supported by the secretariat, to contact the DFPs with regard to a meeting in the second half of 2007 and issues of particular interest to be discussed from their point of view, and requested the secretariat to make preliminary arrangements for such a meeting, as appropriate.

28. The JISC discussed means to collaborate with IEs, including a possible collaboration with the DOE/AE coordination forum. In this context, the JISC requested the Chair of the JISC, supported by the secretariat and in consultation with the Chair of the JI-AP, to contact the Chair of the DOE/AE coordination forum regarding the representation of IEs in the forum and to explore possible means of collaboration, as appropriate.

29. In this overall context, the JISC also discussed the possible focus of the third UNFCCC technical workshop planned to be held on 15–16 October 2007 in conjunction with the ninth meeting of the JISC. The JISC suggested that this event should be organized as an opportunity for the JISC to collaborate with IEs and DFPs and as well to discuss some specific issues of interest with regard to JI. The JISC asked the secretariat to consult with the Chair, and other interested members and alternate members of the JISC, in its preparation of the workshop. In addition, the JISC requested the secretariat to launch a call for public input on possible topics related to the work of the JISC (e.g. further elaboration of the guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring) to be included in the discussions of the upcoming workshop. The JISC requested the secretariat to report back to the JISC at its next meeting.

30. Regarding observers to meetings of the JISC, referred to in paragraph 18 of the JI guidelines, the JISC confirmed to continue the practice of informal interaction in the form of a webcasted question-and-answer session at the last day of each meeting.

Other business

31. The JISC took note of communications sent to it since its last meeting and agreed to answer, as appropriate. In this context, the JISC also further discussed, based on its decision included in paragraph 28 of the report of the first meeting of the JISC, how to handle various types of unsolicited communications addressed to it and agreed on procedures as contained in [annex 4](#).

32. The JISC decided to hold its eighth meeting on 4–5 September 2007 and agreed on the provisional agenda of that meeting as contained in [annex 5](#).

Informal interaction with registered observers

33. The JISC met with registered observers for a webcasted question-and-answer session.

Agenda item 7: Conclusion of the meeting

34. The Chair summarized the main conclusions and closed the seventh meeting of the JISC.



Annexes to the report

Accreditation of independent entities

- Annex 1: Clarification regarding monitoring period of joint implementation project for witnessing of verification function of applicant independent entities
- Annex 2: Clarification regarding conditions for designated operational entities for acting provisionally as accredited independent entities (version 02)

Management plan for the biennium 2006–2007

- Annex 3: Status of resources and contributions

Other matters

- Annex 4: Procedures for communication of the public with the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee
- Annex 5: Provisional agenda of the eighth meeting of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee