

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

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¹ The eighth meeting of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee will be preceded by informal consultations on 14 and 17 October 2007 and a UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation on 15–16 October 2007.



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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 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 Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (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.
2. 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 (DOE) acting provisionally as an AIE.
3. 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, 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.
4. Mr. Joshi had resigned as a JISC member as of 2 May 2007, Mr. Goetze as a JISC alternate member as of 15 August 2007. The JISC decided, in the latter case through electronic decision-making in accordance with rule 25 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, to request the relevant constituencies to nominate replacements in accordance with rule 8 of the rules of procedure of the JISC.
5. **Action:** The Chair 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”.
6. The Chair may wish to 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.
8. The JISC may also wish to consider the status of nominations of replacements referred to in paragraph 4 above.

2. Adoption of the agenda

9. **Background:** The JISC agreed, at its seventh meeting, on items to be included in the provisional agenda of its eighth 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. The proposed agenda, developed on this basis in consultation with the Chair of the JISC, was transmitted to the JISC on 27 September 2007 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC JI website.
10. **Action:** The members of the JISC may wish to adopt the proposed agenda of the eighth meeting.



3. Work plan

(a) Accreditation of independent entities

11. **Background:** On the basis of the accreditation procedure adopted by the JISC at its fourth meeting, on 6 October 2006, independent entities (IEs), including DOEs under the clean development mechanism (CDM), could start submitting applications for accreditation under JI to the secretariat.

12. 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 three 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, from 13 December 2006 until 17 January 2007, and from 28 February until 24 September 2007, respectively.

13. The JI-AP held its sixth and seventh meetings on 16–17 June 2007 and 22–23 September 2007, respectively. At these meetings, the JI-AP maintained the roster of experts for JI-ATs, considered the applications for accreditation from IEs received by the secretariat by early September 2007, and selected members of JI-ATs with regard to these applications. The JI-AP also agreed on internal procedural issues.

14. The JISC, based on its decision at its seventh meeting, communicated with the Executive Board of the CDM to seek its opinion on the possibility and modalities, if appropriate, of collaboration between the JI and CDM accreditation processes.

15. **Action:** The JISC may wish to (a) take note of the fourth 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.

(b) Matters relating to determination reports regarding project design documents

16. **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 and noted that the 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 project design documents, had not been provided to the secretariat by a number of Parties.

17. In consultation with the Chair of the JISC and taking into account the experience under the CDM, the secretariat, with a view to further streamlining the JI Track 2 procedure, in particular regarding the communication of the JISC with project participants and the inclusion of additional project participants or Parties involved in a JI project:

- (a) Prepared draft modalities of communication of project participants with the JISC;
- (b) Drafted procedures for including additional project participants or Parties involved in JI projects after final determination under the verification procedure under the JISC; and
- (c) Revised the clarification regarding the public availability of documents under the verification procedure under the JISC accordingly.

18. **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 take action, as appropriate.



19. Additionally, the JISC may wish to discuss and agree on:

(a) Modalities of communication of project participants with the JISC, on the basis of the draft contained in annex 1 below;

(b) Procedures for including additional project participants or Parties involved in JI projects after final determination under the verification procedure under the JISC, on the basis of the draft contained in annex 2 below; and

(c) A revision of the clarification regarding the public availability of documents under the verification procedure under the JISC, on the basis of the draft contained in annex 3 below.

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

20. **Background:** According to paragraph 4 of decision 3/CMP.2, the JISC shall keep the joint implementation management plan (JI-MAP) under review and make adjustments as necessary to continue ensuring the efficient, cost-effective and transparent functioning of the JISC and related activities on JI.

21. At its fourth meeting, the JISC agreed on the JI-MAP for the biennium 2006–2007, and further revised it at its fifth meeting to take into account issues regarding the accountability between the JISC, the Executive Secretary of the secretariat and the CMP and to reflect the latest cost estimation on the basis of an updated budget for 2006–2007. This version of the MAP was submitted to the CMP at its second session. At its seventh meeting, the JISC requested the secretariat, in accordance with paragraphs 4 and 5 of decision 3/CMP.2, to prepare a draft of the JI-MAP for the 2008-2009 biennium for its consideration.

22. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss the JI MAP, on the basis of the draft prepared by the secretariat, with a view to adopting it and forwarding it to the CMP as an annex to its annual report (see item 4 (a) below). In this context, the JISC may also wish to, inter alia, consider the scheduling of its meetings for 2008 and the status of resources and contributions.

4. Other matters

(a) Report to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

23. **Background:** In accordance with paragraph 3 (a) of the JI guidelines, the JISC shall be responsible for reporting on its activities to each session of the CMP with a view to the CMP reviewing, inter alia, these annual reports and taking decisions, as appropriate, on any recommendations made by the JISC, in accordance with the JI guidelines.

24. In consultation with the Chair of the JISC, the secretariat has prepared a draft of the annual report of the JISC to the CMP for consideration of the JISC at its eighth meeting.

25. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss its annual report to the CMP with a view to adopting it and forwarding it to the CMP for consideration at its third session.

**(b) Collaboration of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee with others**

26. **Background:** The CMP, 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 DFPs 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.

27. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss means by which to collaborate with stakeholders, in particular with those mentioned in paragraph 26 above, on the basis of experience gained in this respect since its establishment. In this context the JISC may also wish to consider the outcome of the roundtable discussions with applicant IEs and DFPs, and the interaction with other stakeholder, during the JI workshop held immediately prior to the eighth meeting of the JISC.

Other business

28. **Background:** According to paragraph 1 of rule 19 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, the JISC shall, at each meeting, agree upon the provisional agenda of its next meeting.

29. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss and agree on the provisional agenda of its ninth meeting.

30. As necessary, the JISC may wish to consider other issues.

Informal interaction with registered observers

31. **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.

32. **Action:** The JISC may wish to continue the practice of informal interaction with observers referred to in paragraph 31 above at the second day of its eighth meeting.

5. Conclusion of the meeting

33. **Action:** The Chair may wish to summarize the meeting and the decisions taken.

34. The JISC may wish to adopt the report of its eighth meeting.

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