



Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee

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Tenth meeting

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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. The Conference of the Parties, serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP), at its third session, in accordance with paragraph 5 of the 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), elected the following members and alternate members of the JISC:

- (i) Mr. Olle Björk, (member, second term)
- (ii) Mr. Muhammed Quamrul Chowdhury, (member, first term)
- (iii) Mr. Maosheng Duan, (alternate member, second term)
- (iv) Mr. Carlos Fuller, (member, first term)
- (v) Ms. Agnieszka Gałan, (alternate member, first term)
- (vi) Mr. Javier Andrés Hubenthal, (alternate member, first term)
- (vii) Mr. Derrick Oderson, (member, second term)
- (viii) Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov, (member, second term)
- (ix) Mr. Franzjosef Schafhausen, (alternate member, second term)
- (x) Ms. Ngedikes Olai Uludong-Polloi, (alternate member, first term)

3. At its third session, the CMP also elected Mr. Benoît Leguet to replace Mr. Darren Goetze (who had resigned as a JISC alternate member as of 15 August 2007) for the remainder of his term, ending immediately before the first meeting of the JISC in 2009, and Mr. Georgiy Geletukha, to replace Ms. Astrida Celmina (who had resigned as a JISC alternate member as of 4 December 2007) for the remainder of her term, ending immediately before the first meeting of the JISC in 2009.

4. According to paragraph 10 (e) of the JI guidelines, quoted in paragraph 1 of rule 10 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, members, including alternate members, of the JISC shall take a written oath of service witnessed by the Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC or his/her authorized representative before assuming his or her duties.

5. According to paragraph 14 of the 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.

6. 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.



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7. 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 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.

8. **Action**: The JISC may wish to (a) welcome the new members and alternate members; and (b) take note of their oath of service.

9. 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".

10. 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.

11. 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. Adoption of the agenda

12. **Background**: The JISC agreed, at its ninth meeting, on items to be included in the provisional agenda of its tenth 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. No suggestions for additions or changes were received by the secretariat before the relevant deadline. The proposed agenda was transmitted to the JISC on 31 January 2008 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC JI website.

13. Action: The members of the JISC may wish to adopt the proposed agenda of the tenth meeting.

3. <u>Election of Chair and Vice-Chair of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee</u>

14. **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 tenth meeting of the JISC, shall be a member from a Party included in Annex I.

15. **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.

4. <u>Work plan</u>

(a) <u>Accreditation of independent entities</u>

16. **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.

17. 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.



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18. The Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel (JI-AP) held its ninth meeting on 31 January -1 February 2008. At this meeting, the JI-AP maintained the roster of experts for JI-ATs, considered the applications for accreditation from IEs received by the secretariat by late January 2008, and selected members of JI-ATs with regard to these applications. The JI-AP also agreed on procedural issues, including revised forms to be used by JI-ATs for their assessment of IEs.

19. Action: The JISC may wish to (a) take note of the sixth progress report on the work of the JI-AP and an oral report by its Chair, Mr. Pluzhnikov, on the work of the panel, and (b) consider further guidance to the JI-AP, as appropriate.

(b) <u>Matters relating to determination reports regarding project design documents</u>

General issues

20. **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 (PDDs), had not been provided to the secretariat by a number of Parties.

21. 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.

Case related issues

22. **Background**: At its ninth meeting, the JISC decided to conduct a detailed review of the determination regarding the PDD for the project "Rehabilitation of Dolna Arda Hydropower Cascade, Bulgaria (reference number: 0040)" and agreed on the scope of the review and the composition of the review team. Taking into account the final recommendation by the review team, the JISC has to decide whether the determination is accepted, without conditions or subject to certain conditions, or whether it is rejected.

23. Action: The JISC shall make a decision in accordance with in paragraph 22 above.

(c) <u>Matters relating to verification reports</u>

24. **Background**: At its ninth meeting, the JISC discussed the timeframe for carrying out the steps for reviews referred to in paragraph 39 of the JI guidelines and requested the secretariat to develop, in consultation with Mr. Børsting and Mr. Sokolov, options on how to further facilitate their implementation, for consideration by the JISC at its tenth meeting under agenda sub-item "Matters relating to verification reports". On this basis options regarding reviews of verifications were developed, as contained in annex 1.

25. Action: The JISC may wish to discuss options regarding reviews of verifications and take appropriate action.

(d) <u>Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation</u>

26. **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.





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27. At its eighth meeting, the JISC agreed on the JI-MAP for the biennium 2008–2009 and included it in the annual report of the JISC to the CMP for its third session. In its report, the JISC highlighted the necessity to continually keep the JI-MAP under review to ensure the assumptions and arrangements included therein are adequate.

28. In accordance with paragraph 4 (b) of decision 3/CMP.2, the JISC is to adopt appropriate management indicators. At its ninth meeting, the JISC considered the issue and requested the secretariat, in consultation with Ms. Gaye and Ms. Stoycheva, to provide an initial list for consideration by the JISC at its tenth meeting.

29. Action: The JISC may wish to consider the JI-MAP as necessary. In this context, the JISC as well may wish to take note of the status of resources and contributions.

30. The JISC may wish to consider the information provided with regard to management indicators and their development.

5. Other matters

(a) <u>Collaboration of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee with others</u>

31. **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.

32. On the basis of the communication between the Chair of the JISC and the Chair of the DOE/AE coordination forum, the JISC noted the intention of the forum to revise its constitution to allow membership and representation of any applicant and accredited IE under the JI accreditation process. Based on this understanding, the JISC, at its eighth meeting, invited the forum to inform the JISC of this revision and its nature, with a view to establishing a communication channel with the forum.

33. Action: The JISC may wish to discuss means by which to collaborate with stakeholders, in particular with those mentioned in paragraph 32 above, based on the information provided in this respect.

(b) <u>Procedures for election of Chair and Vice-Chair of the joint implementation accreditation</u> panel

34. **Background**: The JISC, at its second meeting, agreed on general guidelines for panels/working groups and terms of reference for the JI-AP. In accordance with these documents, the JISC, when establishing the JI-AP at its third meeting, selected Mr. Pluzhnikov and Ms. Gaye as the Chair and Vice-Chair, respectively, of the JI-AP. The JI-AP held nine meetings with these officials since its establishment.

35. **Action**: The JISC may wish to discuss procedures for election of Chair and Vice-Chair of the JI-AP, inter alia, those on their terms of office.

(c) <u>Other business</u>

36. **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.

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







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

Informal interaction with registered observers

39. **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.

40. **Action**: The JISC may wish to continue the practice of informal interaction with observers, referred to in paragraph 39 above, on the second day of its tenth meeting.

6. Conclusion of the meeting

- 41. Action: The Chair may wish to summarize the meeting and the decisions taken.
- 42. The JISC may wish to adopt the report of its tenth meeting.

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