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#### JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

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# 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 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. **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".
- 5. 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.
- 6. 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

- 7. **Background**: The JISC agreed, at its tenth meeting, on items to be included in the provisional agenda of its eleventh 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 26 May 2008 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC JI website.
- 8. **Action**: The members of the JISC may wish to adopt the proposed agenda of the eleventh meeting.

#### 3. Work plan

#### (a) Accreditation of independent entities

9. **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.





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- 10. 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.
- 11. The Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel (JI-AP) held its tenth and eleventh meetings on 16–17 March 2008 and 19–20 May 2008, respectively. At these meetings, the JI-AP maintained the roster of experts for JI-ATs, considered the applications for accreditation from IEs, and selected members of JI-ATs with regard to these applications. The JI-AP also agreed on procedural issues, including a revision of a clarification by the JISC regarding witnessing activities, which the JI-AP recommends the JISC to consider at the present meeting.
- 12. The JISC agreed, at its tenth meeting, on the modalities of selection of JI-AP members who will serve on the panel after the expiration of the first two year term of the existing members and the modalities each year thereafter, and requested the secretariat to open a new call for experts with a view to selecting new members at its eleventh meeting. The call was open for application from 10 March until 9 May 2008.
- 13. **Action**: The JISC may wish to (a) take note of the seventh progress report on the work of the JI-AP and an oral report by its Chair, Mr. 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.
- 14. The JISC may wish to select new JI-AP members, as well as to specify three or four current members who may serve on the JI-AP for another one year taking into account the input from the Chair and Vice-Chair of the JI-AP, based on the shortlist prepared by the secretariat in accordance with paragraph 13 of the "Terms of reference for the establishment of the Joint Implementation Accreditation".

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

- 15. **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.
- 16. **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.

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

- 17. **Background**: According to paragraph 6 of decision 3/CMP.3, 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.
- 18. 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.





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- 19. At its ninth meeting, the JISC noted the need for a more thorough analysis of the staffing required to support work on JI with a view to reflecting any changes in a revision of the management plan in mid 2008.
- 20. At its tenth meeting, the JISC requested the secretariat to provide a work programme that reflects the issues before the JISC presently, in accordance with the management plan and the discussions the JISC had at its tenth meeting. It agreed to consider this work programme at its eleventh meeting, and thereafter, revising it as appropriate. On this basis a draft work programme was developed, as contained in annex 1.
- 21. **Action**: The JISC may wish to consider the JI-MAP as necessary, and information provided by the secretariat in this regard, with a view to agreeing on a revised version of the JI MAP at its twelfth meeting. In this context, the JISC as well may wish to take note of the status of resources and contributions.
- 22. The JISC may wish to consider the draft work programme prepared by the secretariat, and take action, as appropriate.

#### 4. Other matters

### (a) Collaboration of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee with others

- 23. **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.
- 24. The JISC, at its tenth meeting, decided to recognize the DOE/AIE coordination forum as a communication channel between the JISC and applicant IEs and AIEs, to invite written inputs from the forum to be submitted 14 days prior to each JISC meeting at the latest for discussion under an agenda item dedicated to interactions between the JISC and the forum on issues relevant to applicant IEs and AIEs at the corresponding JISC meeting, and to request the secretariat to facilitate the organization of meetings of the forum.
- 25. **Action**: The JISC may wish to discuss means by which to collaborate with stakeholders referred to in paragraph 23 above.
- 26. The JISC may wish to consider written inputs from the DOE/AIE coordination forum if any, invite the Chair of the forum to the meeting and interact with the Chair, as appropriate.

# (b) <u>Matters relating to procedures for reviews of determinations regarding project design documents</u>

- 27. **Background**: At its tenth meeting, the JISC revised the procedures for reviews under the verification procedure under the JISC.
- 28. **Action**: The JISC may wish to keep the review procedures mentioned in paragraph 27 above under review, as appropriate.

#### (c) Other business

29. **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.



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- 30. **Action**: The JISC may wish to discuss and agree on the provisional agenda of its twelfth meeting.
- 31. As necessary, the JISC may wish to consider other issues.

### Informal interaction with registered observers

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

# 5. Conclusion of the meeting

- 34. **Action:** The Chair may wish to summarize the meeting and the decisions taken.
- 35. The JISC may wish to adopt the report of its eleventh meeting.

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