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JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

ELEVENTH MEETING

Report

Date of meeting: 16–17 June 2008

Location: Bonn, Germany

Attendance: The names of members and alternate members of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC) present at the eleventh 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	Mr. Franzjosef Schafhausen
Mr. Maurits Blanson Henkemans	Mr. Hiroki Kudo
Mr. Georg Børsting	Mr. Benoît Leguet
Mr. Carlos Fuller	Mr. Javier Andrés Hubenthal
Ms. Fatou Gaye	Mr. Vincent Kasulu Seya Makonga
Mr. Muhammed Quamrul Chowdhury	Mr. Maosheng Duan
Mr. Derrick Oderson	Ms. Ngedikes Olai Uludong-Polloi
Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov	Ms. Agnieszka Galan
Ms. Daniela Stoycheva	Mr. Georgiy Geletukha
Mr. Vlad Trusca	Mr. Matej Gasperic

Quorum (in parenthesis required numbers):

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

6 (4) were from Annex I Parties and

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

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

1. The Chair opened the meeting and asserted that the quorum was met. No conflict of interest was identified by any member or alternate member of the JISC present at the meeting.
2. The JISC noted that Mr. Olle Björk was unable to attend the meeting and had provided proper justification for his absence.
3. The Chair informed the JISC that Mr. Vincent Kasulu Seya Makonga resigned as a JISC alternate member, effective immediately after the eleventh meeting of the JISC. The JISC thanked the outgoing member for his dedication during the time since the establishment of the JISC.
4. The Chair provided the procedural clarification that according to paragraphs 1 and 2 of rule 8 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, if an alternate 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 alternate member from the same constituency to replace the said alternate member for the remainder of that alternate member's mandate. In such a case, the JISC shall take into account any views expressed by the group that had nominated the alternate member.
5. The JISC decided to request the relevant constituency to nominate the new alternate 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. With regard to the proposed agenda, the Chair suggested to additionally discuss the structure and preparation of the workshop to be held in September as well as to discuss elements for the report of the JISC to the CMP under proposed agenda item "other matters".
7. The JISC adopted the agenda with the changes suggested and mentioned in paragraph 6 above as proposed.

Agenda item 3: Work plan**Agenda sub-item 3 (a): Accreditation of independent entities**

8. The JISC took note of the seventh progress report on the work of the joint implementation accreditation panel (JI-AP) presented by its Chair, Mr. Pluzhnikov. The report summarized information relating to the work of the JI-AP, including the status of applications for accreditation, the status of the roster of experts for joint implementation assessment teams (JI-ATs), and other outcomes of the JI-AP.

General guidance and process

9. The JISC considered a draft revised clarification regarding scopes and steps of witnessing activities under the joint implementation accreditation procedure recommended by the JI-AP, intending to allow witnessing activities to be conducted effectively, and decided to adopt the document as contained in [annex 1](#) to this report.
10. The JISC took note of other progress made by the JI-AP, including the revision of a guidance document for JI-ATs for their undertaking of on-site assessments to ensure consistency in their assessment work, as well as issues under consideration by the JI-AP.



11. The secretariat informed the JISC that, based on the request by the JISC at its last meeting, it had opened a new call for experts for JI-AP members from 10 March until 9 May 2008, and prepared a shortlist of candidates for consideration by the JISC, incorporating the input from the Chair and Vice-Chair of the JI-AP as agreed by the JISC at its last meeting. The JISC, based on the modalities for election of JI-AP members agreed at its last meeting, considered the applications and selected the following experts as members of the JI-AP for the term starting from its thirteenth meeting for the indicated length of time:

- Ms. Anikó Pogány (two years)
- Mr. Arek Sinanian (two years)
- Mr. Massamba Thioye (two years)
- Mr. Shinichi Iioka (one year)
- Ms. Maureen Mutasa (one year)
- Mr. Takashi Otsubo (one year)

12. The JISC expressed its appreciation for the work done by the outgoing JI-AP members, i.e. Mr. Edwin Aalders and Mr. Satish Rao.

Further schedule

13. The JISC noted that the twelfth meeting of the JI-AP is to take place on 28–29 July 2008.

Agenda sub-item 3 (b): Matters relating to determination reports regarding project design documents

14. The JISC took note of the report by the secretariat regarding the submission 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, 144 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). Five determinations regarding a PDD had been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 34 of the JI guidelines:

- (a) Two determinations had been deemed final in accordance with paragraph 35 of the JI guidelines;
- (b) Two determinations were open for requests for review;¹
- (c) One determination had been rejected.

¹ According to paragraph 35 of the JI guidelines, the determination regarding a PDD shall be deemed final 45 days after the date on which the determination is made public, unless a Party involved in the project or three of the members of the JISC request a review by the JISC.



15. The JISC also took note of the report by 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. Thirty-three Annex I Parties had informed the secretariat of their DFPs.² From these Parties, twenty-three 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 submitted, and requested the secretariat to invite DFPs, which had not done so yet, to provide information in accordance with paragraph 20 (b) of the JI guidelines.

Agenda sub-item 3 (c): Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation

16. The JISC considered the issue of its work programme for 2008 on the basis of a draft work programme prepared by the secretariat. The JISC agreed to consider its work programme further at its next meeting, and thereafter, revising it as appropriate.

17. At its ninth meeting having requested the secretariat to present an analysis of the resources required, the JISC considered the need for revisions to the JI management plan for the biennium 2008–2009 on the basis of information provided by the secretariat. Following discussions on this matter, the JISC requested the secretariat, in accordance with paragraphs 6 of decision 3/CMP.3, to prepare a revised version of the JI management plan for the biennium 2008–2009 for consideration at its next meeting, with a view to reporting to the CMP at its fourth session. It requested the secretariat to consult with the Chair and Vice-Chair in the preparation of the document.

18. The JISC took note of the information provided by the secretariat on the current financial situation, including the status of contributions from Parties in the last biennium and present biennium. In this regard, the JISC thanked those Parties that had contributed to the funding of the work of the JISC during the last biennium as well as those who have contributed to the funding of the present biennium's activities.

19. The status of resources and contributions is contained in [annex 2](#).

20. The JISC as well considered the schedule of its meeting for the remainder of 2008. The JISC noted the continuing need to review its schedule to ensure adequate handling of its workload, and reaffirmed its intention to have five meetings in 2008 should it be necessary, and agreed on a date for the addition of a meeting to its schedule.

21. The schedule of meetings for 2008 is contained in [annex 3](#).

² Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, European Community, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom.

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**Agenda item 4: Other matters****Agenda sub-item 4 (a): Collaboration of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee with others**

22. Based on the decision made at its last meeting, the JISC had invited the Chair of the DOE/AIE coordination forum on JI issues (Mr. Miguel Rescalvo) to the meeting for interaction between the JISC and the forum.

23. Mr. Rescalvo elaborated on the inputs from the forum sent to the JISC for its consideration.

24. The JISC requested the Chair of the DOE/AIE coordination forum to provide clarifications on some of the inputs, and agreed to further discuss and consider them, as a first step at the workshop to be held in September 2008 referred to in paragraph 37 below.

25. The Chair of the JISC thanked Mr. Rescalvo for his attendance and expressed the usefulness of the inputs from and the interaction with the forum.

Agenda sub-item 4 (b): Matters relating to procedures for reviews of determinations regarding project design documents

26. The JISC keeps its review procedures under review, as appropriate. In this context, the JISC noted that project participants and/or the accredited independent entities (AIEs) may, as appropriate, submit revised documentation (e.g. PDD, determination report) in the course of interactions with the review team during a detailed review.

27. The JISC noted that internal forms for the review procedures have been agreed on accordingly.

Agenda sub-item 4 (c): Other businessJoint implementation project design document forms (incl. guidelines for users)

28. On the basis of experience, the JISC discussed the need to revise the JI PDD forms (incl. guidelines for users).

29. To ensure the highest degree of transparency and to identify practical needs for a revision, the JISC requested the secretariat to launch a call for public input on possible revisions of the JI PDD forms (incl. guidelines for users), asking to propose possible changes to these documents including reasons for the suggestion.

30. The JISC also asked the secretariat to address the issue on its behalf to the DOE/AIE coordination forum for its inputs.

31. The JISC requested the secretariat to prepare a compilation of the inputs received in accordance with paragraphs 29 and 30 above.

32. The JISC decided to further discuss the issue during the UNFCCC technical workshop on JI in September and its next meeting, taking into account this compilation.

Guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring

33. The JISC discussed the need to revise its guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring, on the basis of experience.

34. In this context, the JISC decided to further discuss the issue during the UNFCCC technical workshop on JI in September and its next meeting.

Crediting period

35. The JISC noted that, in principle, under the JI Track 2 procedure, a determination referred to in paragraph 37 of the JI guidelines may relate to emission reductions by sources or enhancements of removals by sinks achieved during a monitoring period starting before the date a positive determination regarding a PDD was final in accordance with paragraph 35 of the JI guidelines. In this context, the AIE shall also assess whether the emission reductions by sources or enhancements of removals by sinks were monitored and calculated in accordance with the determination regarding the PDD.

Report to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

36. The JISC considered the elements to be included in its annual report to the CMP and requested the secretariat to take into account the discussions on this matter in its preparation of the draft report for the consideration of the JISC at its next meeting.

UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation

37. The JISC considered the structure and preparation of the workshop to be held in September 2008. It requested the secretariat to take into account the discussions on this matter in preparing the workshop and to consult with the Chair and Vice-Chair in its preparation. In this regard, the JISC requested the secretariat to provide a proposal, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair, as soon as possible for comments.

Other items

38. The JISC agreed on the provisional agenda of its twelfth meeting, as contained in annex 4.

Informal interaction with registered observers

39. The JISC invited registered observers for a webcasted question-and-answer session.

Agenda item 5: Conclusion of the meeting

40. The Chair summarized the main conclusions and closed the eleventh meeting of the JISC.



Annexes to the report

Accreditation of independent entities

Annex 1: Clarification regarding scopes and steps of witnessing activities under the joint implementation accreditation procedure

Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation

Annex 2: Status of resources and contributions

Annex 3: Schedule of meetings of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee in 2008

Other matters

Annex 4: Provisional agenda of the twelfth meeting of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee