

**JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE****Fourteenth meeting****Proposed agenda**

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¹ The fourteenth meeting of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee will be preceded by informal consultations on 16 February 2009.



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

- (a) Ms. Fatou Gaye (member, second term)
- (b) Mr. Benjamin Longo Mbenza (alternate member, first term)
- (c) Mr. Georgiy Geletukha (member, first term)
- (d) Mr. Yoncho Georgiev Pelovski (alternate member, first term)
- (e) Mr. Hiroki Kudo (member, first term)
- (f) Mr. Anton Beck (alternate member, first term)
- (g) Mr. Benoît Leguet (member, first term)
- (h) Mr. Evgeny Sokolov (alternate member, first term)
- (i) Mr. Vlad Trusca (member, second term)
- (j) Ms. Irina Voitekhovitch (alternate member, first term)

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. **Action:** 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”.

6. 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.

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.

2. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee

8. **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 new Chair and Vice-Chair, to be elected at the fourteenth meeting of the JISC, shall be a member from a Party not included in Annex I, and a member from a Party included in Annex I, respectively.

9. **Action:** The JISC shall nominate and elect a new Chair and Vice-Chair. Subsequently, the elected Chair and Vice-Chair shall assume their functions.

3. Adoption of the agenda

10. **Background:** The JISC agreed, at its thirteenth meeting, on items to be included in the provisional agenda of its fourteenth 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 27 January 2009 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC JI website.

11. **Action:** The JISC may wish to adopt the proposed agenda of the fourteenth meeting.

4. Outcome of the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

12. **Background:** At the fourth session of the CMP, which took place on 1-12 December 2008 in Poznań (Poland), one decision directly related to joint implementation (JI) was adopted, namely:

(a) Decision 5/CMP.4 (Guidance on the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol).

13. **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider the outcomes of the fourth session of the CMP referred to in paragraph 12 above and discuss implications, in particular for its work programme for the year 2009.

5. Work plan

(a) Accreditation of independent entities

14. **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.

15. 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 four 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, from 28 February until 24 September 2007, and from 2 October until 1 November 2008, respectively.



16. The Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel (JI-AP) held its fifteenth meeting on 17–18 January 2009. At this meeting, 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.

17. The JI-AP, at its fifteenth meeting, also considered the result of a witnessing activity by a JI-AT for one applicant IE, and agreed to submit a recommendation to the JISC regarding the accreditation of the IE for consideration by the JISC at its fourteenth meeting. The recommendation and the supporting documentation were sent to members and alternate members of the JISC confidentially in accordance with the JI accreditation procedure.

18. The JI-AP, also at its fifteenth meeting, considered the need to further clarify the steps of ex-post witnessing activities for AIEs and the restrictions on the delegation of IEs' key functions to external personnel, and prepared draft revised JISC clarifications in this regard, as contained in the tenth progress report on the work of the JI-AP, as recommendations to the JISC for its consideration at the fourteenth meeting.

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

(b) Matters relating to determination and verification reports

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. Since the launch of the JI Track 2 procedure, the information regarding Parties' 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), has not been provided to the secretariat by some 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.

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

22. **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.

23. At its twelfth meeting, the JISC agreed on a revision to the JI-MAP for the biennium 2008–2009 and included it in the annual report of the JISC to the CMP. In its report, the JISC indicated it would continually keep the JI-MAP under review to ensure the assumptions and arrangements included therein are adequate.

24. According to paragraph 1 of rule 16 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, at the first JISC meeting of each calendar year, the Chair shall propose for the approval of the Committee a schedule of meetings for that calendar year. At its twelfth meeting, the JISC agreed on a tentative schedule of meetings for 2009.

25. **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.



26. The JISC may wish to consider its schedule of meetings for 2009 and agree any changes to the tentative schedule of meetings, as appropriate.

6. Other matters

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

27. **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.

28. 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.

29. **Action:** 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.

30. The JISC may also wish to discuss means by which to collaborate with stakeholders, in particular with those mentioned in paragraph 27 above, on the basis of experience gained in this respect since its establishment.

(b) Means to provide guidance to independent entities and project developers regarding determinations

31. **Background:** At its thirteenth meeting, the JISC considered the necessity of developing a determination and verification manual (DVM) under JI, and decided to request the secretariat to prepare a note, for its consideration at the fourteenth meeting, on how a DVM could be developed by the JISC in a timely and efficient manner.

32. The JISC also decided to request the DOE/AIE coordination forum and interested stakeholders to provide input on what would be the exact nature and purpose of a DVM. For this purpose, the JISC requested the secretariat to launch a call for public input after the thirteenth meeting and compile the inputs from the call for consideration by the JISC at its fourteenth meeting. The call was launched on 5 December 2008 and will be closed on 5 February 2009.

33. **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider the necessity of developing a DVM, and if decided positively, the steps to develop and the nature of a DVM taking into account the secretariat note, as attached in annex 1, and inputs from stakeholders, as attached in annex 2.

(c) Other business

Provisional agenda

34. **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.

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

Other items

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

Informal interaction with registered observers

37. **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.

38. **Action:** The JISC may wish to continue the practice of informal interaction with observers, referred to in paragraph 37 above, at the second day of its fourteenth meeting.

7. Conclusion of the meeting

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

40. The JISC may wish to adopt the report of its fourteenth meeting.

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