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JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

FOURTEENTH MEETING

Report

Date of meeting: 17–18 February 2009

Location: Bonn, Germany

Attendance: The names of members and alternate members of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC) present at the fourteenth 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. Muhammed Quamrul Chowdhury	Mr. Maosheng Duan
Mr. Carlos Fuller	Mr. Javier Andrés Hubenthal
Ms. Fatou Gaye	Mr. Benjamin Longo-Mbenza
Mr. Georgiy Geletukha	Mr. Yoncho Georgiev Pelovski
Mr. Hiroki Kudo	Mr. Anton Beck
Mr. Benoît Leguet	Mr. Evgeny Sokolov
Mr. Derrick Oderson	Ms. Ngedikes Olai Uludong-Polloi
Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov	Ms. Agnieszka Gałan
Mr. Vlad Trusca	Ms. Irina Voitekhovitch

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. In accordance with paragraph 2 of rule 12 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, the secretary of the JISC presided over the opening of the meeting prior to the election of the new Chair and Vice-Chair referred to in paragraph 5-7 below.
- 2. The secretary of the JISC opened the meeting and welcomed the newly elected members and alternate members, as well as those that had been elected for their second term. The secretary of the JISC also asserted that the quorum was met.
- 3. No conflict of interest was identified by any member or alternate member of the JISC present at the meeting.
- 4. The JISC noted that Mr. Pluzhnikov, Mr. Schafhausen, Mr. Sokolov and Ms. Uludong-Polloi were unable to attend the meeting and that Mr. Pluzhnikov, Mr. Sokolov and Ms. Uludong-Polloi had provided proper justification for their absence.

Agenda item 2: Election of Chair and Vice-Chair of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee

- 5. The secretary of the JISC informed the JISC that in accordance with the rules of procedure of the JISC, the JISC shall annually elect Chair and Vice-Chair from among its members, with the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair alternating annually between a member from a Party included in Annex I and a member from a Party not included in Annex I, and therefore, the Chair, to be elected at this meeting, shall be a member from a Party not included in Annex I.
- 6. The secretary of the JISC invited nominations for the election of the Chair of the JISC. Mr. Derrick Oderson was nominated and the members unanimously agreed on his election as the Chair. The secretary of the JISC next invited nominations for the election of the Vice-Chair of the JISC. Mr. Vlad Trusca was nominated and the members unanimously agreed on his election as the Vice-Chair.
- 7. The secretary of the JISC congratulated the newly elected Chair and Vice-Chair and invited Mr. Oderson to immediately take up his role of the Chair and preside over the meeting.
- 8. The JISC thanked Mr. Georg Børsting for his excellent leadership as the Chair during the previous year.

Agenda item 3: Adoption of the agenda

- 9. With regard to the proposed agenda, the Chair suggested to additionally discuss the following issues under proposed agenda item "Other matters":
 - (a) Elements of the work for the JISC arising from the relevant decision of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) at its fourth session;
 - (b) Handling of requests for information and communication with the JISC and the secretariat;
 - (c) Positions of the Chair and the Vice-Chair of the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel (JI-AP).
- 10. The JISC adopted the agenda with the changes referred to in paragraph 9 above.





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Agenda item 4: Outcome of the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

- 11. The secretariat provided a summary of the outcome of the fourth session of the CMP. The secretariat highlighted that the CMP, in its decision 5/CMP.4, inter alia, provided additional guidance on the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol and commended the JISC for its work, recognizing the progress it had made, and encouraged and requested the JISC to undertake work in a number of areas.
- 12. The JISC noted that it would need to take into account the decision of the CMP in development of the JISC's work programme for 2009.

Agenda item 5: Work plan

Agenda sub-item 5 (a): Accreditation of independent entities

13. The JISC took note of the tenth progress report on the work of the JI-AP orally presented by its Vice-Chair, Ms. Gaye. 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.

Case specific considerations

14. The JISC considered the JI-AP recommendation on accreditation of an independent entity based on a witnessing activity, and agreed to accredit the independent entity TÜV SÜD Industrie Service GmbH for the determination¹ and verification² functions in the following sectoral scopes:³

Sectoral scope 1: Energy industries (renewable/non-renewable sources);

Sectoral scope 2: Energy distribution; Sectoral scope 3: Energy demand;

Sectoral scope 4: Manufacturing industries; Sectoral scope 5: Chemical industries;

Sectoral scope 6: Construction; Sectoral scope 7: Transport;

Sectoral scope 8: Mining/mineral production;

Sectoral scope 9: Metal production;

Sectoral scope 10: Fugitive emissions from fuels (solid, oil and gas);

Sectoral scope 11: Fugitive emissions from production and consumption of

halocarbons and sulphur hexafluoride;

Sectoral scope 12: Solvent use;

Sectoral scope 13: Waste handling and disposal;

Sectoral scope 14: Land-use, land-use change and forestry;

Sectoral scope 15: Agriculture.

Determination regarding project design document in accordance with paragraph 33 of the annex to decision 9/CMP.1 (hereinafter referred to as JI guidelines).

Determination regarding emission reductions or enhancements of removals in accordance with paragraph 37 of the JI guidelines.

For the sectoral scopes in bold, accreditation is valid for five years. For the other sectoral scopes, accreditation shall be suspended after one and a half years unless the independent entity starts a witnessing activity in the sectoral group in which those sectoral scope belong. See section B.2 and annex 4 of the JI accreditation procedure (version 04) for more details.





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General guidance and process

- 15. The JISC considered draft version 03 of the clarification regarding scopes and steps of witnessing activities under the joint implementation accreditation procedure, recommended by the JI-AP, accommodating the revision of the JI accreditation procedure to version 04 with regard to ex-post witnessing activities, and adopted it as recommended, as contained in <u>annex 1</u>.
- 16. The JISC considered draft version 02 of the clarification regarding responsibility of accredited premises of accredited independent entities, recommended by the JI-AP, accommodating the various organizational structures of independent entities while preserving the principles of responsibility of accredited premises of accredited independent entities. The JISC modified the draft and adopted it, as contained in annex 2.
- 17. The JISC took note that the JI-AP would continue its consideration of measures to strengthen the monitoring of performance of accredited independent entities, including spot checks, as requested by the JISC at its last meeting, with a view to making a recommendation to the JISC for its consideration at the next meeting.
- 18. The JISC took note of other progress made by the JI-AP as well as issues under consideration by the JI-AP.

Further schedule

19. The JISC noted that the sixteenth meeting of the JI-AP is to take place on 26-27 March 2009.

Agenda sub-item 5 (b): Matters relating to determination and verification reports

- 20. 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, 170 project design documents (PDDs) had been submitted and made publicly available on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 32 of the JI guidelines. Seven determinations regarding a PDD had been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 34 of the JI guidelines:
 - (a) Six determinations had been deemed final in accordance with paragraph 35 of the JI guidelines;
 - (b) One determination had been rejected.
- 21. Three monitoring reports had been submitted and made publicly available on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 36 of the JI guidelines. One determination of emission reductions or enhancements of removals pursuant to paragraph 37 of the JI guidelines (hereinafter referred to as verification) had been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 38 of the JI guidelines and had been deemed final.⁴

⁴ According to paragraph 39 of the JI guidelines, a verification shall be deemed final 15 days after the date on which the verification is made public, unless a Party involved in the project or three of the members of the JISC request a review by the JISC.



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22. 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.⁵ From these Parties, twenty-six had also submitted their national guidelines and procedures for approving JI projects.⁶

Agenda sub-item 5 (c): Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation

- 23. The JISC considered its work programme for 2009 on the basis of a draft work programme prepared by the secretariat. Following discussions on the work before the JISC in 2009 and priorities, taking into account elements of work that have arisen from the decision of the CMP at its fourth session as referred to in item 4 above and item 6 (c) below, the JISC agreed on its work programme for 2009 as contained in annex 3. The JISC as well agreed to consider its work programme further at its subsequent meetings, revising it as appropriate.
- 24. In accordance with paragraph 1 of rule 16 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, at this first meeting of the JISC in 2009, the JISC considered and approved a schedule of meetings for 2009. The secretariat provided the information with regard to the possibility of organizing two workshops or round table discussions (e.g. with DFPs, independent entities and project participants) in 2009, including the possibility of a workshop being held in a JI host country. The JISC considered the information provided and agreed to hold one round table discussion and one workshop in 2009, and requested the secretariat to make preparations accordingly, including, to the extent possible, exploring the opportunities for holding the workshop in a JI host country, and report back to the JISC at its next meeting on the status of such preparations. The JISC noted that further adjustments to the scheduling of its meetings could take place in the second half of the year, taking into account the preparations for the workshop.
- 25. The schedule of JISC and JI-AP meetings for 2009 is contained in annex 4.
- 26. The JISC also discussed the current financial situation, including the status of contributions from Parties and the current shortfall of approximately USD 1.1 million in resources budgeted for implementation of the activities expressed in the JI management plan for the biennium 2008–2009. In this regard, the JISC thanked those Parties that had contributed to the funding of the work of the JISC during the current biennium and continued to encourage Parties to make further contributions to ensure that all necessary activities envisaged by the JISC can be carried out in a predictable and sustainable manner.
- 27. The status of resources and contributions is provided in annex 5.

Agenda item 6: Other matters

Agenda sub-item 6 (a): Collaboration of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee with others

28. Based on the decision made at its tenth meeting, the JISC had invited the Chair of the DOE/AIE coordination forum on JI issues (Mr. Shigenari Yamamoto) to the meeting for interaction between the JISC and the forum.

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.

⁶ Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Romania, Russian Federation, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom.





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- 29. The Chair of the DOE/AIE coordination forum elaborated on the input from the forum sent to the JISC for the present meeting, as well as provided comments on other issues relating to the activities of independent entities, for consideration by the JISC.
- 30. The JISC requested the Chair of the DOE/AIE coordination forum to provide clarifications on the input and opinions raised, and agreed to further consider them in its future meetings.
- 31. The Chair of the JISC thanked Mr. Yamamoto for his attendance and expressed the usefulness of the inputs from and interaction with the forum.

Agenda sub-item 6 (b): Means to provide guidance to independent entities and project developers regarding determinations

- 32. The JISC took note that the secretariat conducted a call for public input on the development of a determination and verification manual (DVM) from 5 December 2008 until 5 February 2009, and received seven inputs from the call. The JISC acknowledged these inputs, including the willingness to provide assistance to the JISC in the development of a DVM.
- 33. The JISC considered the note prepared by the secretariat as requested by the JISC at its last meeting, on how a DVM could be developed by the JISC in a timely and efficient manner. Taking into account the inputs referred to in paragraph 32 above, the JISC decided to develop a DVM.
- 34. Concerning the drafting of a DVM, taking into account diverse views expressed by JISC members and alternate members on the nature and contents of a DVM, the JISC requested the secretariat to prepare a scoping document first for consideration by the JISC at its next meeting before the drafting of a DVM. For this purpose, the JISC requested Mr. Beck, Mr. Duan, Mr. Geletukha, Mr. Hubenthal and Mr. Trusca to provide guidance to the secretariat in its preparation of the scoping document.
- 35. The JISC agreed that it would aim at adopting a DVM at its eighteenth meeting. The JISC also agreed to provide opportunities to stakeholders for commenting on the draft from the early stage of its development.

Agenda sub-item 6 (c): Other business

Elements of work for the JISC arising from the decision of the CMP at its fourth session

36. In accordance with paragraph 6 of decision 5/CMP.4, the JISC requested Mr. Chowdhury, Mr. Fuller, Ms. Gałan, Mr. Björk, Mr. Leguet and Mr. Oderson, supported by the secretariat, to develop, for consideration by the JISC at its next meeting, guidance on project activities under a programme of activities under the JI Track 2 procedure.

Handling of requests for information and communication with the JISC and secretariat

37. The JISC took note of the information provided by the secretariat on the handling of requests for information and communication with the JISC and secretariat, and requested the secretariat to prepare options for improvements, including possible revisions to existing procedures as appropriate, for the consideration of the JISC at its next meeting.

Positions of Chair and Vice-Chair of the JI-AP

38. The JISC, at its second meeting, agreed on general guidelines for panels/working groups and terms of reference for the JI-AP. At its tenth meeting the policy for appointment of JI-AP Chair and Vice-Chair was discussed and the JISC agreed to discuss at the first JISC meeting of each calendar year whether to replace the existing Chair and/or Vice-Chair of the JI-AP, and if deciding to replace, select a new Chair and/or Vice-Chair at the same meeting accordingly.

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39. Noting the excellent work that Mr. Pluzhnikov and Ms. Gaye as the Chair and the Vice-Chair, respectively, of the JI-AP, have done over the last two and one half years, the JISC requested they both continue to serve on the JI-AP, with Ms. Gaye serving as the Chair and Mr. Pluzhnikov as the Vice-Chair.

Provisional agenda

40. The JISC agreed on the provisional agenda of its fifteenth meeting, to be held on 21-22 April 2009, as contained in <u>annex 6</u>.

Informal interaction with registered observers

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

Agenda item 7: Conclusion of the meeting

42. The Chair summarized the main conclusions and closed the fourteenth meeting of the JISC.





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Annexes to the report

Accreditation of independent entities

- Annex 1: Clarification regarding scopes and steps of witnessing activities under the joint implementation accreditation procedure (version 03)
- Annex 2: Clarification regarding responsibility of accredited premises of accredited independent entities (version 02)

Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation

- Annex 3: Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee work programme for 2009
- Annex 4: Schedule of meetings of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee and the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel in 2009
- Annex 5: Status of resources and contributions

Other business

Annex 6: Provisional agenda of the fifteenth meeting of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee

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