



Fifteenth meeting Proposed agenda - Annotations Annex 2

Annex 2

DRAFT GUIDANCE ON PROJECTS UNDER A PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES UNDER THE VERIFICATION PROCEDURE UNDER THE JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

Note by the secretariat

1. At its fourteenth meeting, 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, in accordance with paragraph 6 of decision 5/CMP.4.

2. Draft guidance on projects under a programme of activities under the verification procedure under the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee, prepared in accordance with paragraph 1 above, as attached below.





GUIDANCE ON PROJECTS UNDER A PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES UNDER THE VERIFICATION PROCEDURE UNDER THE JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

Version 01

A. **Background**

1. The annex to decision 9/CMP.1 (hereinafter referred to as JI guidelines) sets guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol. Appendix B of the JI guidelines defines criteria for baseline setting and monitoring.

2. In paragraph 6 of decision 5/CMP.4, the conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol requests the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC) to develop, as soon as possible, definitions, forms, guidelines and procedures for projects under programmes of activities implemented under the verification procedure under the JISC, bearing in mind the work of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism in this area.

3. The JISC, at its fourteenth meeting, decided to develop guidance on projects under a programme of activities under the verification procedure under the JISC (hereinafter referred to as joint implementation programme of activities - JI PoA).

4. The present document provides the basic guiding principles and procedures for projects under a JI PoA.

5. The JISC will review this document periodically.

B. Projects under a joint implementation programme of activities

1. Definitions

6. A JI PoA is a coordinated action by a private or public entity, which coordinates and implements any policy, measure or stated goal.

7. A JI PoA shall result in a reduction of anthropogenic emissions by sources or enhancement of anthropogenic removals by sinks that is additional to any that would otherwise occur, via an unlimited number of JI programme of activity (JPA).

8. A JI programme of activity is a project under a JI programme of activities. A JPA is a single measure or a set of interrelated measures that results in a reduction of anthropogenic emissions by sources or enhancement of anthropogenic removals by sinks.

9. The physical boundary of a JI PoA may cover more than one country. Each Party involved shall give a written approval of the JI PoA, and thereby all JPAs, and shall authorize the legal entities as project participants.

10. A JI PoA shall be proposed by the coordinating or managing entity which shall be a project participant authorized by the designated focal points (DFPs) of all Parties involved. The coordinating or managing entity shall be identified in the modalities of communication as the entity responsible for all official communication with the JISC.



11. Arrangements related to communication and distribution of emission reduction units (ERUs) under the JI PoA shall be done between the project participants of the JI PoA and the coordinating or managing entity.

12. To avoid double counting, an accredited independent entity (AIE) shall ensure that all JPAs under its JI PoA has not been determinated as a single JI project or determinated under a different JI PoA.

13. A JPA under a JI PoA is qualified to be a small scale (SSC) type if the total size of the JPA does not exceed the limits for SSC.

14. The crediting period of a JI PoA shall be defined in the determination report. ERUs may be issued only for a crediting period starting after the beginning of the year 2008, although JI PoAs with starting date as from the year 2000 may be eligible.

15. Any JPA can be added to an existing JI PoA at any time during the crediting period of the JI PoA by the coordinating or managing entity. The coordinating or managing entity shall inform the JISC of the addition of JPAs through an AIE using a format pre-defined by the JISC.

16. The end date of the crediting period of any JPA shall be limited to the end date of the JI PoA regardless of when the JPA was added to the JI PoA.

2. Joint implementation programme of activities design document forms

17. The most recent version of the joint implementation programme of activities design document form (F-JI PoA-DD) shall be used for all proposed JI PoAs.

18. For JPAs under a JI PoA, the most recent version of a specific joint implementation programme of activity design document form (F-JPA-DD) shall be used.

19. Specific forms shall be used for small scale joint implementation programme of activities (F-SSC-JI PoA) and for land use, land-use change and forestry joint implementation programme of activities (F-LULUCF-JI PoA).

3. Baseline setting and monitoring

20. Appendix B of the JI guidelines and the guidance and criteria for baseline setting and monitoring of the JISC shall be taken into account for setting baseline and monitoring.

21. All JPAs under a JI PoA shall apply the same method for setting the baseline and monitoring emission reductions.

22. At the determination stage, a JI PoA shall define the type of information, which is to be provided for each JPA to ensure that additionality, baseline and monitoring are unambiguously defined for each JPA under the JI PoA.

23. Emission reductions by sources or enhancements of removals by sinks shall be monitored in accordance with the monitoring plan established in the determination that is deemed final. The method used for monitoring shall ensure the accuracy and conservativeness of the emission reductions generated by the PoA.

4. Determination referred to in paragraph 33 of the JI guidelines

24. At the time of submitting a determination referred to in paragraph 33 of the JI guidelines the coordinating or managing entity shall submit to an AIE the following documentation:

(a) A complete JI PoA-DD;



(b) A complete JPA-DD which shall describe one real case of JPA.

25. An AIE shall make its determination publicly available through the secretariat using the joint implementation programme of activities determination report form (F-JI PoA-DRep) along with a determination report and supporting documentation.

26. The procedures for determination regarding a project design document of a joint implementation (JI) project referred to in the JI guidelines and all relating documents approved by the JISC shall apply to a JI PoA.

5. Determination referred to in paragraph 37 of the JI guidelines

27. The coordinating or managing entity shall keep record on all monitoring reports of all JPAs under a JI PoA and make them available to an AIE as requested.

28. An AIE shall identify the JPAs to be considered for the determination referred to in paragraph 37 of the JI guidelines (hereinafter referred to as verification) and shall make all the monitoring reports received immediately publicly available.

29. An AIE shall make its verification publicly available through the secretariat using the joint implementation programme of activities verification report form (F-JI PoA-VRep) along with a verification report and supporting documentation.

30. The procedures for verification of a JI project referred to in the JI guidelines and all relating documents approved by the JISC shall apply to a JI PoA.

31. The method for verifying emission reductions shall be based on the monitoring reports of all JPAs, and may include any common-practice auditing technique, among others risk-based assessments and random sampling.

6. Fees

32. The fee for processing the determination report of a JI PoA by the JISC shall be based on the total expected annual emission reductions of the actual number of JPAs that will be submitted during determination. For each JPA included subsequently an associated fee is to be paid.

33. The calculation of the amount to be paid and the procedures for payment will follow mutatis mutandis the existing provisions for the charging of fees.

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