

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

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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 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 shall 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 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.
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 fourteenth meeting, on items to be included in the provisional agenda of its fifteenth 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 31 March 2009 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC JI website.
8. **Action:** The JISC may wish to adopt the proposed agenda of the fifteenth 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.
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 five public calls for experts to date to be included in the roster of experts for JI-ATs.



11. The Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel (JI-AP) held its sixteenth meeting on 26-27 March 2009. At this meeting, the JI-AP maintained the roster of experts for JI-ATs, considered the applications for accreditation from IEs.

12. The JI-AP, at its sixteenth meeting, also considered the result of two witnessing activities by JI-ATs for one applicant IE regarding the accreditation of the IE for consideration by the JISC at its fifteenth meeting, subject to receiving certain requested information from the IE. If the JI-AP so decides, the recommendation and the supporting documentation will be sent to members and alternate members of the JISC confidentially in accordance with the JI accreditation procedure.

13. The JI-AP, also at its sixteenth meeting, considered the need to revise “Indicative level of fees to be paid to joint implementation assessment team by applicant independent entity or accredited independent entity” (P-JI-ACCR-05) to accommodate the cases where JI-AT members are requested to perform additional tasks after the completion of on-site assessments or witnessing activities, and prepared draft revision of the document, as contained in the eleventh progress report on the work of the JI-AP, as recommendations to the JISC for its consideration at the fifteenth meeting.

14. Furthermore, the JI-AP, responding to the request by the JISC at its thirteenth meeting, has been considering measures to strengthen the monitoring of performance of accredited independent entities, and at its sixteenth meeting, prepared a preliminary list of such measures, as contained in the eleventh progress report on the work of the JI-AP for information to the JISC.

15. **Action:** The JISC may wish to (a) take note of the eleventh progress report on the work of the JI-AP and an oral report by its Chair, Ms. Gaye, 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

16. **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

17. **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

18. **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.

19. 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.

20. **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.



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

4. Other matters

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

22. **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.

23. 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.

24. **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.

25. The JISC may also wish to discuss means by which to collaborate with stakeholders, in particular with those mentioned in paragraph 22 above, on the basis of experience gained in this respect since its establishment.

(b) Development of a determination and verification manual

26. **Background:** The JISC, at its fourteenth meeting, taking into account the public input on the development of a determination and verification manual (DVM), decided to develop 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 fourteenth 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.

27. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss the scoping document referred to in paragraph 26 above, and define the scope of a DVM on the basis of these considerations, as appropriate.

(c) Development of definitions, forms, guidelines and procedures for projects under programmes of activities

28. **Background:** At its fourteenth meeting, the JISC requested Mr. Chowdhury, Mr. Fuller, Ms. Galán, 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.

29. The draft guidance on projects under a programme of activities under the verification procedure under the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee, prepared in accordance with paragraph 28 above, is attached as annex 2.

30. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss the draft document referred to in paragraphs 28 above, and adopt it on the basis of these considerations, as appropriate.



(d) **Preparations for a JI Technical Workshop and round table discussions in 2009**

31. **Background:** At its fourteenth meeting the JISC considered the information provided by the secretariat on possibilities for organization of more than one workshop and/or roundtable in 2009. At this meeting the JISC 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 fifteenth meeting on the status of such preparations. The secretariat will provide an update on the status of preparations for the roundtable and workshop.

32. **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider the information provided by the secretariat on the status of preparations of the events and provide further guidance to the secretariat in this regard.

(e) **Other business**

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

33. **Background:** At its fourteenth meeting, 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.

34. The draft revised procedures for communication of the public with the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee, prepared in accordance with paragraph 33 above, is attached as annex 3.

35. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss the draft procedures referred to in paragraphs 33 and 34 above, and adopt them on the basis of these considerations, as appropriate.

Provisional agenda

36. **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.

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

Other items

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

Informal interaction with registered observers

38. **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.

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

5. Conclusion of the meeting

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

41. The JISC may wish to adopt the report of its fifteenth meeting.

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