

**JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE****Sixteenth 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 fifteenth meeting, on items to be included in the provisional agenda of its sixteenth 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 May 2009 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC JI website.
8. **Action:** The JISC may wish to adopt the proposed agenda of the sixteenth 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 seventeenth meeting on 25-26 May 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 seventeenth meeting, also considered the results of two witnessing activities by JI-ATs for one applicant IE, and came to a conclusion on one of them. Based on this, the JI-AP agreed to submit a recommendation to the JISC regarding the accreditation of the IE for consideration by the JISC at its sixteenth 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.

13. Responding to the request by the JISC at its thirteenth meeting, the JI-AP has been considering measures to strengthen the monitoring of performance of accredited independent entities as well as further improve the joint implementation accreditation process.

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

15. **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

16. **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) Development of a determination and verification manual

17. **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, at its fifteenth meeting, considered the nature and structure of a DVM, and agreed on them.

18. Based on this, the JISC, also at its fifteenth meeting, requested the secretariat, in consultation with five JISC members/alternate members (Mr. Beck, Mr. Duan, Mr. Geletukha, Mr. Hubenthal and Mr. Trusca), to start preparing a first draft of a DVM immediately after the meeting. The JISC at the same time also requested the secretariat to launch a public call for inputs immediately after the meeting for 20 days, seeking to provide texts of the contents of a DVM, based on the nature and structure of a DVM as agreed by the JISC. The JISC further requested the secretariat, in consultation with the above-mentioned five JISC members/alternate members, incorporates the inputs received from the public call as appropriate in the first draft, and submits it to the JISC for its consideration at its sixteenth meeting as well as for consultations with stakeholders at the roundtable, which is to be organized in conjunction with the sixteenth meeting of the JISC.

19. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss the first draft of a DVM referred to in paragraph 18 above, and provide guidance for preparing the second draft, as appropriate.

(d) Development of definitions, forms, guidelines and procedures for joint implementation programmes of activities

20. **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 (JI PoA), in accordance with paragraph 6 of decision 5/CMP.4.

21. At its fifteenth meeting the JISC considered and amended the draft guidance on JI PoA and requested the secretariat to launch a public call on the draft document immediately after the fifteenth meeting. The JISC also requested the secretariat to compile the public inputs in an information note to be considered by the JISC at its next meeting.

22. The information note prepared in accordance with paragraph 21 above is attached as annex 2.

23. The JISC also requested the secretariat to prepare a possible revision to the provision for the charging of fees, taking into account the JISC's deliberation on this item, for its consideration at the sixteenth meeting.

24. The draft provision for the charging of fees in accordance with paragraph 23 above is attached as annex 1.

25. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss the public inputs on the draft document referred to in paragraphs 20 above, and provide guidance for preparing a second draft and adopt it on the basis of these considerations, as appropriate. The JISC may also wish to discuss the options on revising the provision for the charging of fees and adopt it on the basis of these considerations, as appropriate.

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

26. **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.

27. 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.

28. At its fifteenth meeting the JISC noted the process for the development of the JI management plan for the 2010-2011 biennium, including relevant timelines for its preparation, and agreed to consider at its next meeting elements and issues that need to be reflected and taken into account in the development of the management plan for the 2010-2011 biennium. The JISC also requested the secretariat to report to the JISC at its next meeting on this matter.

29. **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider the information provided by the secretariat concerning the development of the JI-MAP and provide guidance to the secretariat as necessary.

30. The JISC may wish to take note of the status of resources and contributions, and consider its schedule of further meetings for 2009, as appropriate.

4. Other matters

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

31. **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.

32. 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.

33. **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.

34. The JISC may also wish to discuss means by which to collaborate with stakeholders, in particular with those mentioned in paragraph 31 above, on the basis of experience gained in this respect since its establishment.

(b) Preparations for UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation in 2009

35. **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.

36. At its fifteenth meeting the secretariat reported on the status of preparations for the workshop, including that the Government of the Ukraine had offered to host the seventeenth meeting of the JISC and UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation to be held in conjunction with that JISC meeting.

37. The JISC noted with appreciation the offer of the Government of the Ukraine and requested the secretariat to continue to make preparations as appropriate and report back to the JISC at its next meeting.

38. **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider the information provided by the secretariat on the status of preparations of the UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation and provide further guidance to the secretariat in this regard.

(c) Elements for the annual report of the JISC to the CMP

39. **Background:** In accordance with paragraph 3 (a) of the JI guidelines, the JISC shall be responsible for reporting on its activities to each session of the CMP with a view to the CMP reviewing, inter alia, these annual reports and taking decisions, as appropriate, on any recommendations made by the JISC, in accordance with the JI guidelines.



40. At its fifteenth meeting the JISC took note of the timeline for the preparation of its annual report this year, with a view to adopting it at its seventeenth meeting and forwarding it to the CMP for consideration at its fifth session. The JISC agreed to discuss possible elements for inclusion in its annual report and provide guidance to the secretariat in its preparation as necessary.

41. **Action:** The JISC may wish to take note of information on this matter provided by the secretariat, consider possible elements for inclusion in its annual report to the CMP and provide guidance to the secretariat as necessary.

(d) Other business

Provisional agenda

42. **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 seventeenth meeting.

Other items

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

Informal interaction with registered observers

44. **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.

45. **Action:** The JISC may wish to continue the practice of informal interaction with observers, referred to in paragraph 44 above, at the second day of its sixteenth meeting.

5. Conclusion of the meeting

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

47. The JISC may wish to adopt the report of its sixteenth meeting.