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JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

SIXTEENTH MEETING

Report

Date of meeting: 17–18 June 2009

Location: Bonn, Germany

Attendance: The names of members and alternate members of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC) present at the sixteenth 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 |
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| Mr. Olle Björk | <i>Mr. Franzjosef Schafhausen</i> |
| Mr. Muhammed Quamrul Chowdhury | <i>Mr. Maosheng Duan</i> |
| Ms. Fatou Gaye | <i>Mr. Benjamin Longo-Mbenza</i> |
| Mr. Georgiy Geletukha | <i>Mr. Yoncho Georgiev Pelovski</i> |
| Mr. Hiroki Kudo | <i>Mr. Anton Beck</i> |
| Mr. Benoît Leguet | <i>Mr. Evgeny Sokolov</i> |
| Mr. Derrick Oderson | <i>Ms. Ngedikes Olai Uludong-Polloi</i> |
| Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov | <i>Ms. Agnieszka Galan</i> |
| Mr. Vlad Trusca | <i>Ms. Irina Voitekhovitch</i> |

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. The Chair opened the meeting and asserted that the quorum was met. No conflict of interest was identified by any member or alternate member of the JISC present at the meeting.
2. The JISC noted that Mr. Maosheng Duan, Mr. Benoît Leguet, Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov and Ms. Irina Voitekhovitch were unable to attend the meeting and that they had provided proper justification for their absence.

Agenda item 2: Adoption of the agenda

3. With regard to the proposed agenda, the Chair suggested to additionally discuss the following issue under proposed agenda item "Other matters":
 - Revisions to the Rules of procedure of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee.
4. The JISC adopted the agenda with the changes referred to in paragraph 3 above.

Agenda item 3: Work plan**Agenda sub-item 3 (a): Accreditation of independent entities**

5. The JISC took note of the twelfth progress report on the work of the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel (JI-AP) orally presented by its Chair, Ms. Fatou 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.
6. The JI-AP Chair informed the JISC that the new JI-AP member selected by the JISC at its fifteenth meeting, Dr. Dmytro Yuriyevich Paderno, accepted his selection and started his role as a JI-AP member prior to the seventeenth meeting of the JI-AP. As agreed, Dr. Paderno will serve the JI-AP for the remainder of the term of his predecessor (i.e. until 28 September 2010 at the earliest).

Case specific considerations

7. The JISC considered the JI-AP recommendation on accreditation of an independent entity (IE) based on one witnessing activity, and agreed to accredit the independent entity Bureau Veritas Certification Holding SAS for the determination¹ and verification² functions in the following sectoral scopes:³

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| 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; |

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

² Determination regarding emission reductions or enhancements of removals in accordance with paragraph 37 of the JI guidelines.

³ For the sectoral scope in bold print, 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 scopes belong. See section B.2 and annex 4 of the Procedure for accrediting independent entities by the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (version 04) for more details.



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| 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. |

General guidance and process

8. The JISC took note of the measures under consideration by the JI-AP to strengthen performance monitoring of accredited independent entities responding to the JISC's request at its thirteenth meeting, as well as the measures also under consideration by the JI-AP to further improve the joint implementation (JI) accreditation process.

9. The JISC took note of other progress made by the JI-AP as well as issues under consideration by the JI-AP.

10. The JISC took note of the information provided by the secretariat that, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the JI-AP, the term of three JI-AP members expires on 28 September at the earliest this year. Based on this, the JISC requested the secretariat to launch a new call for experts to serve as JI-AP members soon after the present JISC meeting, and prepare a shortlist of candidates for consideration by the JISC at its next meeting.

Further schedule

11. The JISC noted that the eighteenth meeting of the JI-AP is to take place on 13-15 August 2009.

Agenda sub-item 3 (b): Matters relating to determination and verification reports

12. 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, 184 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. Eight determinations regarding a PDD had been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 34 of the JI guidelines, of which:

- (a) Six determinations had been deemed final in accordance with paragraph 35 of the JI guidelines;
- (b) One determination is open for request for review;
- (c) One determination had been rejected.

13. Six monitoring reports had been submitted and made publicly available on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 36 of the JI guidelines. Three verifications had been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 38 of the JI guidelines and all of them 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.



14. 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 joint implementation (JI) projects, in accordance with paragraph 20 (a) and (b) of the JI guidelines, required for the submission of determinations regarding a PDD. Thirty-three Annex I Parties had informed the secretariat of their DFPs.⁵ Twenty-seven of these Parties had also submitted their national guidelines and procedures for approving JI projects.⁶

15. The JISC considered information provided by the secretariat on possible improvements to the surveys regarding the forecasts of the expected number of JI projects, including with regard to requesting information on programmes of activities and the length of the time between submissions of PDDs, determinations and verifications. The JISC requested the secretariat to revise the surveys with a view to improving the usefulness of the information collected and decreasing the level of uncertainty with which the JISC is presently confronted.

Agenda sub-item 4 (c): Development of a determination and verification manual

16. The secretariat presented the first draft of a determination and verification manual (DVM) that it had prepared in consultation with five JISC members/alternate members (Mr. Beck, Mr. Duan, Mr. Geletukha, Mr. Hubenthal and Mr. Trusca) as requested by the JISC at its fifteenth meeting.

17. The secretariat also informed the JISC that, based on the request by the JISC, it had conducted a call for public inputs seeking texts of the contents of a DVM from 27 April until 17 May 2009, and received six written inputs as a result. The secretariat further presented a summary of the written inputs.

18. The secretariat further presented a summary of the inputs on the first draft DVM from the participants of the roundtable consultations organized immediately prior to the present meeting.

19. The JISC considered the first draft DVM, taking into account the inputs referred to in paragraphs 17-18 above, and agreed that:

- (a) The secretariat, in consultation with six JISC members/alternate members (Mr. Beck, Mr. Duan, Mr. Geletukha, Mr. Hubenthal, Mr. Kudo and Mr. Trusca), prepares a second draft;
- (b) Once the second draft is prepared, the secretariat launches a call for public inputs on the second draft for four weeks;
- (c) The JISC discusses with stakeholders on the DVM, based on the second draft, at the UNFCCC workshop on joint implementation referred to in paragraph 39 below. The JISC also discusses the second draft at its seventeenth meeting;
- (d) The secretariat, in consultation with the six JISC members/alternate members referred to in subparagraph (a) above, prepares a third draft, based on the guidance by the JISC at its seventeenth meeting and by incorporating the inputs received from the call referred to in subparagraph (b) above, as appropriate, and submits it to the JISC for its consideration at its eighteenth meeting;

⁵ 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, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom.



- (e) If the JISC finds that there is still a need for changes in the third draft, the secretariat, in consultation with the six JISC members/alternate members referred to in subparagraph (a) above, prepares a fourth draft, and submits it to the JISC for its consideration at its nineteenth meeting with a view to adopting it at the same meeting.

20. The JISC also requested the secretariat, taking into account the JISC's deliberations on this item, to present an analysis to the JISC at its next meeting on necessary revisions to the existing documents adopted by the JISC, on which the draft DVM is based, to ensure the consistency between the DVM and these documents.

Agenda sub-item 4 (d): Development of definitions, forms, guidelines and procedures for joint implementation programmes of activities

21. In accordance with paragraph 6 of decision 5/CMP.4, the JISC requested, at its fourteenth meeting, Mr. Björk, Mr. Chowdhury, Mr. Fuller, Ms. Gañan, Mr. Leguet and Mr. Oderson, supported by the secretariat, to develop a draft guidance on programmes of activities under the JI Track 2 procedure (JI PoA).

22. At its fifteenth meeting the JISC considered the draft guidance and amended it and requested the secretariat to launch a call for public inputs, immediately after the meeting, on the draft guidance and to compile the inputs in an information note.

23. The JISC considered the public inputs, the information note, and the inputs from the participants of the roundtable consultations, and requested:

- (a) The secretariat, in consultation with eight members JISC members/alternate members (Mr. Björk, Mr. Chowdhury, Mr. Fuller, Ms. Gañan, Mr. Geletukha, Mr. Hubenthal, Mr. Leguet and Mr. Oderson) referred to in paragraph 21 above, to prepare a second draft and forms;
- (b) The secretariat to launch a call for public inputs on the second draft for four weeks once the second draft is finalised.

24. The JISC agreed to consider the second draft at the UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation referred to in paragraph 39 below as well as at its seventeenth meeting. The JISC also agreed on the preparation of the a third draft, based on deliberations by the JISC at its seventeenth meeting and inputs received from the call and the workshop, as appropriate, and to consider the third draft at its eighteenth meeting.

25. The JISC noted that it did not manage to discuss the proposed revision to the Provision for the charging of fees to cover administrative costs relating to the activities of the JISC that it had requested the secretariat to prepare, taking into account the JISC's deliberations on JI PoAs. The JISC agreed to consider the revision at its next meeting.

26. The JISC also requested the secretariat to prepare an information note on options for consideration of liability and responsibilities regarding PoAs to be considered at its next meeting.

Agenda sub-item 3 (e): Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation

27. The JISC considered the process for the development of the JI management plan for the biennium 2010-2011, taking note of the information provided by the secretariat with regard to the elements and issues that would need to be taken into account. The JISC agreed to consider at its next meeting the matter further, including concerns with regard to availability of resources in the next biennium, with a view to adopting the management plan at its eighteenth meeting. The JISC requested the secretariat to report to the JISC at its next meeting on this matter.



28. Taking into account the ongoing work on a number of issues before the JISC, in particular with regard to development of a DVM and procedures on JI PoA, the JISC updated its work programme for 2009 as contained in [annex 1](#). The JISC as well agreed to consider its work programme further at its subsequent meetings, and revise it as appropriate.
29. The JISC, in considering the ongoing work on the development of a DVM and procedures on JI PoA, as well as the work on accreditation, decided to have an additional meeting to take place in October and requested the secretariat to make preparations accordingly. The JISC as well noted that the dates of its seventeenth meeting in September and the UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation were shifted by one week to take into account arrangements being made by the Government of Ukraine who will be hosting the meeting and the workshop.
30. The updated schedule of JISC and JI-AP meetings for 2009 is contained in [annex 2](#).
31. The JISC also discussed the current financial situation, including the status of contributions from Parties and the current shortfall of approximately USD 1 million in resources budgeted for the implementation of the activities presented 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. The status of resources and contributions is provided in [annex 3](#).

Agenda item 4: Other matters**Agenda sub-item 4 (a): Collaboration of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee with others**

32. The JISC invited the Chair of the DOE/AIE coordination forum (Mr. Shigenari Yamamoto, accompanied by Mr. Katsura Fukuda) to the meeting for interaction between the JISC and the forum on JI issues.
33. The Chair of the DOE/AIE coordination forum elaborated the inputs from the forum sent to the JISC for the present meeting for consideration by the JISC, regarding measures to strengthen monitoring of performance of accredited independent entities.
34. The JISC informed the Chair of the DOE/AIE coordination forum of the measures to strengthen monitoring of performance of accredited independent entities currently under consideration by the JI-AP, and took note of the inputs of the forum for further consideration by the JISC and the JI-AP of the issue in question.
35. The Chair of the JISC thanked the Chair of the DOE/AIE coordination forum for his attendance and expressed the usefulness of the inputs from and interaction with the forum.
36. The JISC invited a representative of the Joint Implementation Action Group (JIAG), Mr. Lennard de Klerk, to an interaction with the JISC at the sixteenth meeting to further consider an unsolicited communication received from the JIAG in April 2009 in which the JIAG requested the JISC to consider the JIAG to act as a communication channel with the JISC on behalf of project participants.
37. The JISC requested the representative of the JIAG to present his views on this matter and then considered how to proceed. Noting the importance of interacting with project participants in undertaking its work, the JISC agreed to launch a call for public inputs from any other project participants regarding the establishment of a communication channel with project participants with the JISC (e.g. provide regular inputs at JISC meetings). The JISC also agreed that, subject to a final decision of the JISC, that it would tentatively accept JIAG's proposal and invite the JIAG to interact with the JISC at its next meeting.



38. The JISC also requested the Chair of the JISC to communicate the outcome of its deliberations referred to in paragraph 37 above to the JIAG.

Agenda sub-item 4 (b): Preparations for UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation in 2009

39. At its fifteenth meeting the JISC requested the secretariat to continue to work with the Government of Ukraine to make preparations for a UNFCCC technical workshop on joint implementation to be held in Ukraine in September 2009. The secretariat provided an update on its preparations, including noting the dates of the workshop would now be 8-9 September 2009.

40. The JISC noted with appreciation the efforts being made by the Government of Ukraine and requested the secretariat to finalise its preparation in consultation with the Chair of the JISC and the Government of Ukraine.

Agenda sub-item 4 (c): Elements for the annual report of the JISC to the CMP

41. The JISC was not able to consider this item at its sixteenth meeting and agreed to take it up at its next meeting.

Agenda sub-item 4 (d): Other business

Revisions to the Rules of procedure of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee

42. The JISC was not able to consider this item at its sixteenth meeting and agreed to take it up at its next meeting.

Provisional agenda

43. The JISC agreed on the provisional agenda of its seventeenth meeting, to be held on 10–11 September 2009, as contained in [annex 4](#).

Informal interaction with registered observers

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

Agenda item 7: Conclusion of the meeting

45. The Chair summarized the main conclusions and closed the sixteenth meeting of the JISC.



Annexes to the report

Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation

- Annex 1: Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee work programme for 2009
- Annex 2: Schedule of meetings of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee and the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel in 2009
- Annex 3: Status of resources and contributions

Other business

- Annex 4: Provisional agenda of the seventeenth meeting of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee
