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JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

TWENTY-FIFTH MEETING

Report

Date of meeting: 21–22 June 2011

Location: Bonn, Germany

Attendance: The names of members and alternate members of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC) present at the 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	Alternates
Mr. Muhammed Quamrul Chowdhury	<i>Mr. Momin Agha</i>
Mr. Mykhailo Chyzhenko	<i>Ms. Milya Dimitrova</i>
Mr. Carlos Fuller	<i>Ms. Carola Borja</i>
Ms. Agnieszka Galan	<i>Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov</i>
Mr. Denis Lansana	<i>Mr. Evans Njewa</i>
Mr. Benoit Leguet	<i>Mr. Anton Beck</i>
Mr. Wolfgang Seidel	<i>Mr. Olle Björk</i>
Mr. Evgeny Sokolov	<i>Mr. Hiroki Kudo'</i>
Ms. Irina Voitekhovitch	<i>Ms. Miriana Roman</i>
Mr. Andrew Yatilman	<i>Mr. Derrick Oderson</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: Adoption of the agenda**

1. Mr. Muhammed Quamrul Chowdhury, the Chair of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (hereinafter referred to as the JISC), opened the meeting and asserted that the quorum requirement was met.
2. The JISC adopted the agenda of the meeting.

Agenda item 2: Membership issues (including disclosure of possible conflict of interest)

3. The JISC noted that the secretariat was informed that Mr. Denis Lansana, Mr. Momin Agha, Ms. Carola Borja, Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov, Mr. Andrew Yatilman were unable to attend the meeting and the latter four listed members had provided proper justification for their absence.
4. Members or alternate members of the JISC stated whether they had a conflict of interest relating to any item on the meeting agenda.

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

5. The JISC took note of the progress report on the work of the twenty-fifth meeting of the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel (JI-AP), and the oral report by its Vice-Chair, Mr. Carlos Fuller. The report summarized information relating to the work of the panel, including the status of applications for accreditation, the status of the roster of experts for joint implementation assessment teams (JI-ATs), the work on the streamlining of the accreditation process and other issues under consideration of the JI-AP.
6. The JISC requested the secretariat and the JI-AP to expedite the process of accreditation of the applicant independent entities.

General guidance

7. The JISC considered an update on the inputs received by the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum on the JI accreditation standard and requested the JI-AP to continue to use the inputs in its the work on the streamlining of the accreditation process.
8. The JISC considered an update on the work of the JI-AP on the revision of relevant regulatory documents of the JI accreditation process, including a proposal on the transitional measures. The JISC modified the proposal and agreed to adopt the transitional measures for accrediting applicant independent entities, as contained in [annex 1](#) to this report.

Case specific

9. The JISC considered the JI-AP's recommendation on accreditation of an independent entity (IE) based on one witnessing activity, and agreed to accredit JI-IE-0009 "Spanish Association for Standardisation and Certification" (AENOR) for the determination and verification functions in sectoral scopes 1-15, with immediate effect.
10. In line with the transitional measures referred to in paragraph 8 above, the JISC agreed to accredit, effective on 1 August 2011, the following IEs that received an indicative letter and have not yet initiated a witnessing activity, and subject them to an additional focused on-site assessment after accreditation:



- (a) JI-E-0002, "Japan Quality Assurance Organization" (JQA) for the determination and verification functions in sectoral scopes 1-15;
- (b) JI-E-0003, "Deloitte Tohmatsu Evaluation and Certification Organization" (Deloitte-TECO) for the determination and verification functions in sectoral scopes 1-10, 12, 13 and 15;
- (c) JI-E-0004, "Lloyd's Register Quality Assurance Ltd" (LRQA) for the determination and verification functions in sectoral scopes 1-13;
- (d) JI-E-0005, "JACO CDM., LTD" (JACO) for the determination and verification functions in sectoral scopes 1-14;
- (e) JI-E-0006, "Japan Consulting Institute" (JCI) for the determination and verification functions in sectoral scopes 1-5, 8-11 and 13;
- (f) JI-E-0013, "Swiss Association for Quality and Management Systems" (SQS) for the determination and verification functions in sectoral scopes 1-15;
- (g) JI-E-0014, "KPMG Advisory N. V." (KPMG) for the determination and verification functions in sectoral scopes 1-4 and 13.

11. Also in line with the transitional measures referred to in paragraph 8 above, the JISC agreed that the following IEs that received an indicative letter and have already initiated a witnessing activity, may decide, within one month, whether to continue the witnessing activity and be accredited upon successful completion of it for the sectoral scopes indicated below, or to terminate the witnessing activity and be accredited effective on 1 August 2011 and be subject to an additional focused on-site assessment after accreditation:

- (a) JI-E-0011, "TÜV NORD CERT GmbH" (TÜV NORD) for the determination and verification functions in sectoral scopes 1-15;
- (b) JI-E-0012, "TÜV Rheinland Japan Ltd." (TÜV Rheinland) for the determination and verification functions in sectoral scopes 1-15.

Further schedule

12. The JISC noted that the twenty-sixth meeting of the JI-AP is to take place on 4 and 5 August 2011.

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

Case specific

13. The JISC took note of the report 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, 251 project design documents (PDDs) and one programme of activity design document (PoA-DD) had been submitted and made publicly available on the UNFCCC JI website, in accordance with paragraph 32 of the annex to decision 9/CMP.1 (JI guidelines). 32 determinations regarding a PDD had been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 34 of the JI guidelines, of which:

- (a) 30 determinations had been deemed final in accordance with paragraph 35 of the JI guidelines;
- (b) One determination is open for requests for review by the JISC;
- (c) One determination had been rejected.



14. The JISC also took note that 47 verifications had been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 38 of the JI guidelines, 41 of which have been deemed final in accordance with paragraph 39 of the JI guidelines and six verifications are open for requests for review by the JISC.

15. The JISC took note of the report 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 determinations regarding a PDD. 35 Annex I Parties had informed the secretariat of their DFPs.¹ 30 of these Parties had also submitted their national guidelines and procedures for approving JI projects.²

General guidance

16. Based on a mandate from the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP), in its decision 4/CMP.6, the JISC agreed to the revised "Procedures on public availability of documents under the verification procedure under the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee", as contained in [annex 2](#) to this report, encouraging AIEs to finalize determinations regarding PDDs in three months after the 30-day public commenting period of the PDDs and requesting AIEs to provide updated information on the status of their determination activities regarding these PDDs on a six monthly basis. The JISC also requested AIEs to provide an initial report on the status of their determination activities regarding the PDDs, for which determinations have not yet submitted or withdrawn, to the secretariat by 15 August 2011.

17. Also based on a mandate from the CMP, at its sixth session, the JISC agreed to the revised "Procedures for reviews under the verification procedure under the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee", which included electronic decision-making process in the review of determinations and the process of secretariat's preparation of a summary of information to the JISC for each review case, as contained in [annex 3](#) to this report. The JISC decided to make the procedure be effective on 1 August 2011.

18. The JISC considered an update on the implementation of an online interface with AIEs, and requested the secretariat to implement the online interface in line with the provisions contained in the revised procedures referred to paragraph 16 above.

19. At its twenty-fourth meeting, the JISC requested the secretariat to launch a call for experts on the basis of the terms of reference for experts appraising determinations or participating in review teams under the verification procedure under the JISC in order to increase the number of experts in the roster established and to strengthen the diversity of expertise. The call was open from 1 April until 15 May 2011.

20. The JISC considered the applications received in response to the third call for experts, referred to in paragraph 19 above, and agreed on 14 experts to be included in the roster of expert, as follows, and requested the secretariat to take all the necessary action for it:

- (a) Mihai Brasoveanu;
- (b) Vinay Deodhar;
- (c) Narayan Dhital;

¹ Australia, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, European Community, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom.

² Australia, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom.



- (d) Sanjay Mande;
- (e) Viktor Milkov;
- (f) Abderrahmane Naas;
- (g) Stratsimir Nedyalkov;
- (h) Dimitar Nikov;
- (i) Anastasia Northland;
- (j) Dmytro Paderno;
- (k) Shyam Paudel;
- (l) Denis Prusakov;
- (m) Reka Soos; and
- (n) Morten Sorensen.

21. While considering the candidates from the call for experts, the JISC requested the secretariat to revise the "Terms of reference for experts appraising determinations or participating in review teams under the verification procedure under the JISC" to be considered by the JISC at its twenty-sixth meeting.

22. Based on a mandate from the CMP at its sixth session, the JISC agreed to the revised "Procedures for appraisals of determinations under the verification procedure under the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee", as contained in [annex 4](#) to this report. The revisions include the modification of the requirement for two JISC members/alternate members to provide appraisals of determinations and verifications by replacing them with two independent technical experts providing appraisals, the secretariat's preparation of a summary of appraisals, and that the summary appraisals will be forwarded to the AIE, project participant(s) and DFPs of the Parties involved for each determination and verification case. The JISC decided to make the procedure be effective on 1 August 2011 and requested the secretariat to give an update on the status of the implementation of the new provisions in the procedures at the twenty-seventh meeting of the JISC.

23. The JISC considered the draft revision of the "Guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring", and requested the secretariat to launch a call for public inputs, starting on **27 June** and ending on **22 July 2011**, on the draft, as contained in annex 4 to the annotated agenda for this meeting, in particular with regard to the following:

- (a) Whether and how comparable cases should be defined in the context of a JI specific approach already taken in comparable cases;
- (b) Whether the minimum rules should be used to define the project boundary and estimating leakage and how such rules should relate to the concept of JI; and
- (c) Whether the concept of prior consideration of JI should apply under the Track 2 procedure.

24. The JISC also requested the secretariat to include the inputs received from the call, together with the inputs given by the JISC, in a new draft, to be elaborated with the support of a small group of members (Mr. Björk, Ms. Dimitrova, Ms. Gañan, Mr. Seidel, and Mr. Sokolov) and to be considered by the JISC at its twenty-sixth meeting.

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

25. The JISC took note of the status of resources and contributions, in particular the operating income of USD 1,546,647 as at 31 May 2011 and the current shortfall of USD 648,023. It also noted income of USD 83,817 from Track 1 projects and USD 640,671 from Track 2 projects. The JISC requested the secretariat to investigate the trend of submissions, particularly of Track 1 projects, against the JI-MAP projections and provide an update on the forecast for 2011-2012, and implications for 2013, at its twenty-sixth meeting. The status of resources and contributions is contained in [annex 5](#) to this report.

Agenda item 4: Other matters**Agenda sub-item 4 (a): Guidance by CMP**

26. The JISC considered and expressed general support for the draft recommendations on options for building on the approach embodied in JI, to be forwarded to the CMP for consideration at its seventh session as part of the CMP's first review of the JI guidelines. The JISC identified a number of areas where further development of the recommendations is needed, including further definition of the types of JI activities that could be undertaken under a new operational model for JI and further development of the proposed single verification process and governing body.

27. The JISC also agreed to launch a public call for input on the current draft recommendations, as contained in annex 6 to the annotated agenda, and to highlight specific questions raised through the recommendations and the discussions of the JISC. The call will start on **27 June** and end on **22 July 2011**.

28. The JISC further agreed that the secretariat, in consultation with a group of JISC members and alternate members, composed of Mr. Beck, Mr. Björj, Ms. Borja, Ms. Gałan, Mr. Leguet, Mr. Njewa, Mr. Seidel, Mr. Sokolov and Ms. Voitekhovitch, will revise the draft recommendations, taking into account responses to the call for public input, for the consideration and finalization of the recommendations at the twenty-sixth meeting of the JISC.

29. While discussing the recommendations referred to in paragraph 26 above, the JISC requested the secretariat to provide a summary of the national guidelines and procedure for approving JI projects under Track 1 and Track 2, including a comparison analysis of the key differences between them.

Agenda sub-item 4 (b): Collaboration of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee with others

30. The JISC agreed on terms of reference for the Designated Focal Point Forum (DFP Forum), as contained in [annex 6](#) to this report. The JISC took note that the current JI management plan does not contain provision for meetings of the forum and therefore requested the secretariat to explore options for an informal meeting of the forum to be held in conjunction with the forthcoming technical workshop or UNFCCC sessional or intersessional meetings.

Agenda sub-item 4 (c): Relations with stakeholders, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations

31. The JISC agreed on a communication and outreach (C&O) strategy, and adopted a C&O work plan for the remainder of 2011, as contained in [annex 7](#) to this report, designed to enhance understanding among stakeholders and policy makers regarding the benefits and contributions of JI to addressing climate change. The JISC also considered and noted with appreciation terms of reference to help guide the work of its C&O working group, established at its twenty-second meeting. Members of the group include Mr. Beck, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Leguet, Mr. Seidel and Ms. Voitekhovitch, but participation is welcome by all JISC members and alternate members.



32. The JISC invited the Chair of the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum, Mr. Martin Enderlin, to the meeting for interaction between the JISC and the forum on JI issues.
33. The JISC took note of the input of the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum on the following:
- (a) Prior consideration in JI; and
 - (b) Agenda for the JISC twenty-fifth meeting.
34. The Chair of the forum elaborated on each of the of the procedure and guidance to be revised at this meeting, and gave input on the recommendations to the CMP on the revision of the JI guidelines.
35. The Chair of the JISC thanked Mr. Enderlin for his attendance and expressed the usefulness of the inputs.
36. The JISC invited the representative of the Joint Implementation Action Group (JIAG), Mr. Lennard de Klerk, to the meeting for interaction between the JISC and the group on JI issues.
37. The representative of the JIAG elaborated the inputs on the worries of the current state of JI, on the need for a procedure to correct subsequent verifications after deemed final verifications have an error identified in the monitoring report, and on the issues in the agenda for this meeting. The JISC took note of the inputs from the JIAG and agreed to consider the inputs, as appropriate.
38. The Chair of the JISC thanked Mr. Lennard de Klerk for his attendance and expressed the usefulness of the inputs and interaction.
39. The JISC took note of a summary of the outcomes from the JI roundtable that was held on 20 June 2011 in Bonn, Germany. The JISC welcomed the fruitful inputs given by the stakeholders during the discussions at the meeting.
40. The JISC took note of an unsolicited communication received from a project developer with regard to the potential need for a procedure to correct under or over reporting of emission reductions in a monitoring report for which a verification had been deemed final. The JISC noted that the interests of the mechanism relied on addressing issues of over reporting and considered that this issue had been addressed by existing decisions of the CMP. The JISC did not consider that it had a role in addressing under reporting errors made by individual project participants as integrity of the full JI system relied on the concept that a deemed final verification is final and emission reduction units (ERUs) created as a result can be a trusted commodity in the international market for greenhouse gas offsets. Any procedure, which would allow the regular reopening of deemed final verifications, could undermine the legitimacy of all units created via the mechanism. The JISC requested the secretariat to reply to the submission accordingly.
41. The JISC invited registered observers for a webcasted question-and-answer session. Observers expressed their appreciation regarding the establishment of the DFP Forum and made constructive proposals for the earlier realization of the forum. They also expressed their appreciation for the JISC hard work and efforts at its twenty-fifth meeting. The observers also signalled their intention to provided constructive feedback on the on-going work of the JISC.
42. The Chair of the JISC thanked the observers for their attendance and expressed appreciation for the inputs received and interaction.

Agenda sub-item 5 (d): Other business

Calendar of meetings for 2011

43. The JISC agreed to the revised tentative calendar of meetings of the JISC and the JI-AP for 2011, as contained in annex 8 to this report.

Provisional agenda

44. The JISC agreed to the provisional agenda of its twenty-sixth meeting to be held on 13-14 September 2011, as contained in annex 9 to this report. The meeting will be preceded by the JI Technical Workshop on 12 September 2011.

Agenda item 5: Conclusion of the meeting

45. The Chair summarized the main conclusions and closed the twenty-fifth meeting of the JISC.



Annexes to the report

Accreditation of independent entities

Annex 1 - Transitional measures for accrediting applicant independent entities that have been issued an indicative letter in accordance with the joint implementation accreditation procedure (Version 01)

Matters relating to determination and verification reports

Annex 2 - Procedures on public availability of documents under the verification procedure under the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (Version 02)

Annex 3 - Procedures for reviews under the verification procedure under the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (Version 04)

Annex 4 - Procedures for appraisals of determinations under the verification procedure under the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (Version 02)

Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation

Annex 5 - Status of resources and contributions

Annex 6 - Terms of reference for the Designated Focal Point Forum (Version 01)

Annex 7 - Communication and outreach work plan of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee 2011 (Version 01)

Other matters

Annex 8 - Tentative calendar of meetings of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee and the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel in 2011 (Version 03)

Annex 9 - Provisional agenda of twenty-sixth meeting of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee

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