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# JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

## THIRTIETH MEETING

# Report

## Version 01.0

Date of meeting: 26–27 September 2012

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	Alternate Members
Mr. Chebet Maikut	Mr. Momin Agha <sup>l</sup>
Mr. Mykhailo Chyzhenko	Ms. Milya Dimitrova
Ms. Carola Borja	Mr. Carlos Fuller
Mr. Piotr Dombrowicki	Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov
Mr. Denis Lansana	Mr. Evans Njewa
Mr. Benoît Leguet	Mr. Anton Beck
Mr. Wolfgang Seidel	Ms. Gertraud Wollansky
Mr. Evgeny Sokolov	Mr. Hiroki Kudo
Ms. Irina Voitekhovitch	Ms. Miriana Roman
Mr. Derrick Oderson	Mr. Andrew Yatilman

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Nomination by the CMP at its seventh session was not received; therefore the current alternate member, Mr. Momin Agha, will remain in office until the successor is nominated by the respective constituency.

**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. Wolfgang Seidel, 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 noted that the secretariat was informed that Mr. Momin Agha, Ms. Miriana Roman, and Mr. Andrew Yatilman were unable to attend the meeting. The Chair of the JISC, Mr. Wolfgang Seidel, was unable to attend the full meeting and the Vice-Chair, Ms. Carola Borja, served as acting Chair during the second day of the meeting.
- 3. The JISC adopted the agenda of the meeting.

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

4. Members and alternate members of the JISC stated whether they had conflicts of interest relating to any item on the meeting agenda.

# Agenda item 3: Workplan

# Agenda sub-item 3 (a): Accreditation of independent entities

- 5. The JISC took note of the progress report on the work of the 28<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel (JI-AP) and an oral report by the Chair of the JI-AP, Mr. Derrick Oderson. The report summarized information relating to the work of the panel, including the status of applications and developments with respect to accreditation assessments, as well as other accreditation-related issues.
- 6. The JISC considered the recommendations of the JI-AP on the positive outcome of the additional focused on-site assessments, and agreed to confirm accreditation of the following entities:
  - (a) JI-E-0002 "Japan Quality Assurance Organization" (JQA);
  - (b) JI-E-0004 "Lloyd's Register Quality Assurance Ltd." (LRQA);
  - (c) JI-E-0011 "TÜV NORD CERT GmbH" (TÜV NORD).
- 7. The JISC took note of the notification of the JI-AP on the positive outcome of the regular surveillance assessments of the following entities:
  - (a) JI-E-0001 "DNV Climate Change Services AS" (DNV);
  - (b) JI-E-0007 "Bureau Veritas Certification Holding SAS" (BVCH).
- 8. The JISC approved the transfer of the accreditation to a new legal entity for JI-E-0012 (TÜV Rheinland) from "TÜV Rheinland Japan Ltd." to "TÜV Rheinland (China) Ltd.".
- 9. The JISC took note of the notification of the JI-AP on voluntary partial withdrawal of accreditation of the entity JI-E-0002 "Japan Quality Assurance Organization" (JQA) in scopes 2, 6–10, 12 and 15. The JISC noted that JQA remained accredited in scopes 1, 3–5, 11, 13 and 14.
- 10. The JISC considered a concept note on the analysis for strengthening the accreditation system, including an assessment of the present accredited independent entity (AIE) performance monitoring, and requested the secretariat to prepare draft revisions of the accreditation regulatory documents, including by seeking to align, as appropriate, those of joint implementation (JI) and the clean development mechanism (CDM), in accordance with the agreed JI management plan (JI-MAP).





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

- 11. The JISC took note of an update by the secretariat regarding the status of project submissions, determinations and verifications under the JISC (hereinafter referred to as the JI Track 2 procedure). Since the launch of the JI Track 2 procedure, 324 project design documents (PDDs) and one programme of activities design document (PoA-DD) have 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). A total of 49 determinations regarding PDDs have been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 34 of the JI guidelines, of which 48 have been deemed final in accordance with paragraph 35 of the JI guidelines, and one has been rejected.
- 12. The JISC also took note that 85 verifications have been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 38 of the JI guidelines, of which 83 have been deemed final in accordance with paragraph 39 of the JI guidelines and 2 are open for request for review.
- 13. 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. A total of 37 Annex I Parties had informed the secretariat of their DFPs. Of these Parties, 31 had also submitted their national guidelines and procedures for approving JI projects.<sup>2</sup>
- 14. The JISC further noted that 416 JI Track 1 projects have been published on the UNFCCC JI website, of 395 which have received unique project identifiers and have been submitted to the International Transaction Log (ITL).

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

- 15. The JISC took note of the report on the status of resources as reflected in annex 2 of the annotated agenda of the thirtieth meeting of the JISC. It was noted that the total income generated up to 31 July 2012 amounted to USD 6,228,631, which included the carry-over from 2011 of USD 3,571,917. The JISC noted that the fees for the period from 1 January to 31 July 2012, which were also provided, indicated an income of USD 1,134,686 from Track 1 fees and USD 1,393,124 from Track 2, while total expenditure for the same period amounted to USD 1,007,260, giving a balance of USD 5,221,371 as at 31 July 2012. Given the current trends for this year in terms of income and expenditure, the secretariat confirmed that a modest surplus could be expected.
- 16. The JISC held an initial discussion on its JI two-year business plan for 2013–2014 and its JI-MAP for 2013 and, after agreeing the objectives to be incorporated in the plans, requested the secretariat to prepare a draft business plan and a draft JI-MAP 2013 for consideration at its next meeting.

### Agenda item 4: Other matters

# Agenda sub-item 4 (a): Guidance by the CMP

17. In response to the request to the JISC from the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) at its seventh session to prepare a revised set of key attributes and transitional measures dealing with the possible changes to the JI guidelines, the JISC considered draft modalities and procedures for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol, as well as a

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

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



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summary of the inputs received during round-table consultations and the call for public inputs, both of which concerned the JI guidelines. The JISC agreed on the draft modalities and procedures, as a revision of the annex to decision 9/CMP.1, and transitional measures to recommend to the CMP, at its eighth session, for its adoption. These draft modalities and procedures and the transitional measures are contained in annex 1 to this report.

- 18. The JISC took note of an update on broad issues relating to the transition of the Kyoto Protocol to its second commitment period, as are being discussed under the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), as well as a technical paper on the implications of decisions 2/CMP.7 to 5/CMP.7 for previous decisions adopted by the CMP on methodological issues under the Kyoto Protocol, as prepared for a SBSTA workshop to take place in October 2012 in Bonn, Germany, and for the eighth session of the CMP.
- 19. The JISC considered implications and possible solutions for JI projects during the transition from the first to the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol, and agreed to inform the CMP at its eighth session on the continuity of its operation of the Track 2 procedure after 2012. The JISC further agreed to recommend that the CMP make a decision at its eighth session to enable the continued issuance of emission reduction units (ERUs) immediately upon commencement of the second commitment period. The agreements of the JISC on these matters are contained in annex 2 to this report. The JISC requested the secretariat to include this information and recommendation in its annual report to the CMP, as referred to in paragraph 20 below.
- 20. The JISC agreed to its annual report to the CMP, which covers the period from 15 September 2011 to 27 September 2012, and requested the secretariat to finalize the report in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the JISC to include the outcomes of its thirtieth meeting. Once the report is complete, it will be posted on the UNFCCC and UNFCCC JI websites accordingly.

# Agenda sub-item 4 (b): Relations with stakeholders, intergovernmental and nongovernmental organizations

- 21. The JISC took note that the JI Round Table took place on 9 August 2012 in Bonn, Germany. The event focused on two areas under discussion by the JISC for recommendation to the CMP at its eighth session and for which stakeholders' inputs were sought on the draft JI guidelines and on issues for the work on transitional measures. The Round Table had a good participation of JI stakeholders. In addition to JISC members and alternates, DFPs, AIEs and project participants were also present and participated actively in the discussions. The outcome of the different discussions in plenaries and in break-out sessions were considered while revising the draft JI guidelines and in preparing the document on transitional measures that were before the JISC at this meeting.
- 22. The JISC took note that the first formal meeting of the Designated Focal Point Forum (DFP Forum) was scheduled to take place on 8 August 2012 in conjunction with the JI Round Table. However, due to the very low rate of participation, with only seven DFPs registered, the meeting was cancelled. The JISC also took note that this was the second time that a meeting of the DFP Forum was cancelled.
- 23. The JISC took note of the letter from the Ukrainian DPF in response to the request for clarification regarding the operational timelines for Track 2 processes of the Ukrainian DFP. The JISC requested the secretariat to monitor the time between the requests for verification and the issuance of ERUs and report back to the JISC at a future meeting.
- 24. The JISC took note of the input of the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum, as reported by its Co-Chair Mr. Martin Enderlin, on the following:
  - (a) The draft procedure for addressing significant deficiencies in validation, verification or certification reports, as proposed by the CDM Executive Board at its sixty-ninth meeting, which also may raise concerns for the JISC;



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- (b) Concerns on the future of the JI market and its implications for AIEs;
- (c) Specific inputs on the annexes to the agenda.
- 25. The Chair of the JISC thanked Mr. Enderlin for his interaction and noted the usefulness of the inputs.
- 26. The JISC took note of the input of the JI Action Group (JIAG), as reported by its representative Mr. Lennard de Klerk, on the following:
  - (a) Developments in the JI market, in particular the lower prices of ERUs due to the great volume of supply and the concerns regarding the institutional framework in Ukraine on issuing ERUs for projects under Track 2. The JIAG asked the JISC to follow up on the issue with the Ukrainian DFP:
  - (b) Inputs on the revision of the JI guidelines;
  - (c) Transitional measures and the preference for the option to clearly differentiate the ERUs for the first and second crediting period.
- 27. The Chair of the JISC thanked Mr. de Klerk for his interaction and noted the usefulness of the inputs.
- 28. The JISC met with registered observers for an informal interaction on the last day of the meeting and agreed to continue with such meetings in the afternoon of the last day of its future meetings, unless otherwise indicated. These meetings are available on webcast.
- 29. The observers welcomed the revision of the JI guidelines by the JISC and raised questions related to:
  - (a) Arrangements for the governance structure during the transitional period;
  - (b) Clarification on the process of publication of the JISC report to CMP and its related recommendations.
- 30. The Chair of the JISC thanked the observers for their attendance and expressed appreciation for the inputs they provided and their interaction.

# Agenda sub-item 4 (c): Other business

- 31. The JISC took note of an update by the secretariat on matters relating to communication and outreach on JI, which included information on expansion of the frequently-asked-questions section of the UNFCCC JI website, use of Facebook and Twitter to raise awareness about JI, the creation of media materials (e.g. factsheets and audio files), the new quarterly updates on website usage, and other communication matters.
- 32. The secretariat also took the opportunity to announce the winners of its first JI photo contest, held to help raise awareness about the mechanism. The winning entry was an image of the Mazurskie Landfill Gas Package Project, submitted by the Danish Energy Agency. Entries from the BSH Transport Shift Project, by BSH Giengen and Locon Logistik & Consulting AG, took places two and three, respectively. The JISC Chair congratulated the winners on behalf of the JISC.
- 33. The JISC agreed to consider an update on developments and prospects in the carbon market and related governmental policies at its next meeting.
- 34. The JISC agreed to a tentative calendar of meetings of the JISC and the JI-AP for 2013, as contained in <u>annex 3</u> to this report.





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35. The JISC agreed to the provisional agenda of its thirty-first meeting, to be held in Bonn, Germany, on 21–22 March 2013, as contained in <u>annex 4</u> to this report.

# Agenda item 5: Conclusion of the meeting

- 36. The JISC expressed its deep appreciation to the outgoing Chair of the JISC, Mr. Wolfgang Seidel, and Vice-Chair of the JISC, Ms. Carola Borja, for their outstanding leadership and dedication in ensuring that the JISC operated in an efficient, cost-effective and transparent manner. The JISC thanked the Chair and Vice-Chair of the JI-AP, Mr. Derrick Oderson and Mr. Benoît Leguet, and the JI-AP for their work in 2012. The JISC thanked all outgoing members and alternate members for their dedication to the process during their tenure. The JISC also thanked the secretariat for their hard work and continuous support to the JISC and the mechanism.
- 37. The Chair summarized the main conclusions and closed the thirtieth meeting of the JISC.





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# Annexes to the report

# Guidance by the CMP

Annex 1: Recommendation to the CMP: Modalities and procedures for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol (version 01.0)

Annex 2: Recommendation to the CMP: Functioning of joint implementation in the transition from the first to the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol (version 01.0)

## Other business

Annex 3: Tentative calendar of meetings of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee and the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel in 2013 (version 01.0)

Annex 4: Provisional agenda of the thirty-first meeting of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (version 01.0)

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