

JI-JISC32

Meeting report

Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee thirty-second meeting

Version 01.0

Date of meeting: 17 and 18 June 2013

Place of meeting: Bonn, Germany



United Nations
Framework Convention on
Climate Change

TABLE OF CONTENTS		Page
AGENDA ITEM 1.	AGENDA AND MEETING ORGANIZATION	3
AGENDA ITEM 2.	MEMBERSHIP ISSUES	3
AGENDA ITEM 3.	WORKPLAN	3
Agenda item 3.1.	Accreditation of independent entity.....	3
Agenda item 3.2.	Matters relating determination and verification reports	4
Agenda item 3.3.	Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation.....	5
AGENDA ITEM 4.	OTHER MATTERS	5
Agenda item 4.1.	Guidance by the CMP	5
Agenda item 4.2.	Relations with stakeholders, intergovernmental and non- governmental organizations.....	5
Agenda item 4.3.	Other business	5
AGENDA ITEM 5.	CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING	7
ANNEXES TO THE REPORT		8

Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

1. Mr. Derrick Oderson, 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 Ms. Irina Voitekhovitch and Mr. Andrew Yatilman were unable to attend the meeting. The member and alternate member provided proper justification.
3. Table 1 below represents the attendance of members and alternate members at the meeting. The names of members and alternate members present at the meeting are in bold print below. Where only the name of an alternate member is in bold print, the alternate participated as a member.

Table 1. Attendance

Members	Alternates
Ms. Carola Borja ^a	Mr. Carlos Fuller ^a
Mr. Mykhailo Chyzenko ^b	Ms. Milya Dimitrova ^b
Mr. Piotr Dombrowicki ^a	Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov ^a
Mr. Chebet Maikut ^a	Ms. Hlobsile Sikhosana ^a
Mr. Derrick Oderson ^a	Mr. Andrew Yatilman ^a
Mr. Wolfgang Seidel ^a	Mr. Marko Berglund ^a
Mr. Evgeny Sokolov ^b	Mr. Hiroki Kudo ^b
Ms. Julia Justo Soto ^b	Mr. Evans Njewa ^b
Ms. Irina Voitekhovitch ^b	Ms. Mihaela Smarandache ^b
Ms. Gertraud Wollansky ^b	Mr. Benoît Leguet ^b

^(a) Term: Two years (term of service ends immediately before the first meeting in 2014)

^(b) Term: Two years (term of service ends immediately before the first meeting in 2015)

4. The JISC adopted the agenda of the meeting with an amendment of moving the consideration of the guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring reflected in paragraph 8 of the annotated agenda to the agenda item 3.2. Matters relating to determination and verification reports.

Agenda item 2. Membership issues

5. Members and alternate members of the JISC stated that they had no conflicts of interest relating to any item on the meeting agenda.

Agenda item 3. Workplan

Agenda item 3.1. Accreditation of independent entities

6. The JISC considered the concept note on options for the strategic direction of the joint implementation (JI) accreditation system. It agreed to decide on the direction for any

modifications to the regulatory documents defining the JI accreditation system at its next meeting and requested the secretariat to prepare a further concept note to elaborating the options and providing information, including on current market and accreditation conditions, costs, JI-specific accreditation requirements and the impact on accredited independent entities (AIEs). The JISC also considered possible recommendations to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) on the issue of accreditation (see paragraph 15).

7. The JISC adopted the workplan of the JI Accreditation Panel (JI-AP) for 2013, as contained in [annex 1](#) to this report.

Agenda item 3.2. Matters relating determination and verification reports

8. 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, 331 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 52 determinations regarding PDDs have been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 34 of the JI guidelines, of which 51 have been deemed final in accordance with paragraph 35 of the JI guidelines, and one has been rejected.
9. The JISC also took note that 125 verifications have been published on the UNFCCC JI website in accordance with paragraph 38 of the JI guidelines, of which 124 have been deemed final in accordance with paragraph 39 of the JI guidelines, and one is under review.
10. 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 have so far informed the secretariat of their DFPs. Of these Parties, 32 have also submitted their national guidelines and procedures for approving JI projects.¹ The JISC also took note of the status of implementation of the request contained in decision 6/CMP.8, on the availability of documentation by DFPs.²
11. The JISC further noted that 593 JI Track 1 projects have been published on the UNFCCC JI website, of which 542 have received unique project identifiers and have been submitted to the International Transaction Log.
12. The JISC considered the concept note on the revision of the “Guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring” to allow for positive lists, standardized approaches and standardized baselines. While generally supporting the development of JI in these

¹ 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.

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

directions, the JISC agreed that further work should not be undertaken by the JISC until a clearer direction for the revision of the JI guidelines has been provided by the CMP. The JISC also considered possible recommendations to the CMP on this issue (see paragraph 15).

Agenda item 3.3. Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation

13. The JISC approved its workplan for 2013, as contained in annex 2 to this report. The document, which is in line with the approved 2013 management plan (JI-MAP), provides information on the work planned for each meeting of the JISC in 2013. The JISC requested the secretariat to include in future versions of the workplan any new mandates arising from meetings and to provide an update at each meeting on the status of work.
14. The JISC took note of an update on income and expenditure forecasts. The JISC requested the secretariat to propose a strategy for the management of future incomes and expenditures and to provide regular updates to the JISC on this matter.

Agenda item 4. Other matters

Agenda item 4.1. Guidance by the CMP

15. The JISC took note of the status of the review of the JI guidelines under the CMP and information from the secretariat on preliminary options for selected substantive matters. The JISC considered the options presented and requested the secretariat to prepare a concept note, for consideration at its next meeting, containing proposals for recommendations by the JISC to the CMP on the following matters relating to the review of the JI guidelines:
 - (a) A global accreditation system to cover JI and possibly other carbon market mechanisms, including in relation to scope, practicalities, roles, alternative accreditation systems, and strategies for developing such a system;
 - (b) Principles for standardized baselines and positive lists, for inclusion in the revised JI guidelines;
 - (c) Principles to guide the JISC in setting mandatory standards and procedures for host Parties;
 - (d) Steps of the project cycle, based on the JISC recommendations to the CMP in 2012, with the potential addition of proposals to fill any gaps identified;
 - (e) Transitional measures, based on the JISC recommendations to the CMP in 2012, but tying the dates to periods after the adoption of the revised JI guidelines.

Agenda item 4.2. Relations with stakeholders, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations

16. The JISC held an interaction with the Co-Chair of the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum, Mr. Martin Enderlin, via video conference. The Co-Chair of the Forum opened his statements with comments on the recent developments for AIE business and the difficult carbon market situation AIEs are currently facing.

17. The Co-Chair of the Forum provided the following comments on the agenda of the meeting:
 - (a) Revision of the accreditation system: supports in the first instance the “full adoption” option for alignment of the JI and clean development mechanism (CDM) regulatory documents, in order to reduce duplication of work and costs, but could also support the “partial adoption” option;
 - (b) Stakeholder interaction: discussed how to continue having interaction with the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum.
18. The Co-Chair of the Forum asked for funds to support the activities of the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum. The JISC considered the proposal and requested the secretariat to seek further information and liaise with the Chair to provide a response. The JISC also requested the Chair to liaise with the Chair of the CDM Executive Board on this matter. The JISC further agreed to pursue measures to reduce the costs of interaction incurred by the DOE/AIE Forum, such as video conferencing for the interactions between the JISC and the forum.
19. The JISC thanked Mr. Enderlin for his interaction and noted the usefulness of the inputs.
20. The JISC met with registered observers for an informal interaction. The observers:
 - (a) Suggested the greater use of graphs and figures to promote discussion and understanding;
 - (b) Welcomed the single unified track for JI, with a view to avoiding the issuance of emission reduction units (ERUs) from potentially non-additional projects under the Track 1 procedure;
 - (c) Expect the revised JI guidelines will be a tool to make JI a more transparent mechanism and ensure environmental integrity and additionality.
21. The JISC thanked the observers for attending and expressed appreciation for the inputs provided and the interaction.
22. The JISC further agreed to continue its practice to meet with registered observers at the end of the meeting and to reconsider this arrangement when necessary. Observers to the thirty-third meeting of the JISC shall have registered with the secretariat by **9 September 2013**.

Agenda item 4.3. Other business

23. The JISC took note of and provided comments on the secretariat's enhanced media engagement strategy and implementation plan.
24. The JISC took note of a report on carbon market and policy developments over the past few months and requested the secretariat to continue updating the JISC on these developments. The JISC also requested the secretariat to continue exploring how lessons learned from JI and the development of the revised JI guidelines can be used to inform the further development of JI, and to propose options for enhancing communication on this issue. The JISC also requested the secretariat to strengthen information concerning the impact of JI projects, both under Track 1 and Track 2, so as to better inform discussions about the future of JI. In this regard, the JISC requested the

secretariat to make available information under the “Frequently Asked Questions” section on the UNFCCC JI website.

25. The JISC considered a presentation on the use of electronic decision-making and requested the secretariat to establish electronic decisions through emails instead of using the existing web interface. The JISC also requested the secretariat to ensure that all JISC members are informed of decisions needing to be taken and that all information on decisions made through the existing interface is kept.
26. The JISC took note of a report on the timelines between the finalization of a verification of emission reductions under the Track 2 procedure and the issuance of ERUs for the respective verification by the host Party. The JISC requested the secretariat to continue monitoring this process and make the information publicly available on the UNFCCC JI website on a regular basis.
27. The JISC agreed to the provisional agenda of its thirty-third meeting, to be held in Bonn, Germany, on 23 and 24 September 2013, as contained in annex 3 to this report. The JISC also requested the secretariat to explore the possibility to move the meeting to 19 and 20 September 2013 and inform the JISC as soon as possible.

Agenda item 5. Conclusion of the meeting

28. The Chair summarized the main conclusions and closed the thirty-second meeting of the JISC.

Annexes to the report

- Annex 1 - Workplan of the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel for 2013 (version 01.0)
- Annex 2 - Workplan of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee for 2013 (version 01.0)
- Annex 3 - Provisional agenda of the thirty-third meeting of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (version 01.0)

Document information

<i>Version</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Description</i>
01.0	18 June 2013	JISC 32 meeting report. Initial publication.
Decision Class: Operational Document Type: Meeting report Business Function: Governance Keywords: JISC, reporting procedure		