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Annotations to the proposed agenda

Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. ► **Action:** The Chair of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC) shall ascertain whether: (a) the members present constitute a quorum; and (b) the absence of any member or alternate member is “without proper justification”.

Background: According to the rules of procedure of the JISC, at least two-thirds of the members of the JISC, representing a majority of members from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention and a majority of members from Parties not included in Annex I, must be present to constitute a quorum.

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to adopt the proposed agenda of the thirty-seventh meeting.

Background: At its previous meeting, the JISC agreed on items to be included on the provisional agenda of its thirty-seventh meeting. The proposed agenda was transmitted to the JISC on 8 September 2015 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC joint implementation (JI) website in accordance with rule 19 of the rules of procedure of the JISC.

Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

Agenda item 2.1. Membership issues

3. ► **Action:** Members and alternate members of the JISC may wish to disclose whether they have any conflict of interest relating to the work of the JISC.

Background: According to paragraph 10(b) of the JI guidelines, quoted in paragraph 2 of rule 9 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, members, including alternate members, of the JISC shall have no pecuniary or financial interest in any aspect of a JI project.

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 Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) the termination of the membership of a particular member, including an alternate member, on grounds including, inter alia, breach of the conflict of interest provisions.

Agenda item 3. Workplan

Agenda item 3.1. Accreditation of independent entities

4. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to take note of the notification by the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel (JI-AP) on the request from an accredited independent entity to withdraw its accreditation.

Background: In accordance with the accreditation procedure, the accreditation-related recommendations and the supporting documentation will be sent to the JISC under separate cover under confidentiality.

Agenda item 3.2. Matters relating to determination and verification reports

5. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider and discuss the status of: (a) projects submitted under the JI Track 2 procedure; (b) information provided by Parties in accordance with paragraph 20 of the JI guidelines.

Background: On 26 October 2006, during its fifth meeting, the JISC officially launched the verification procedure under the JISC (hereinafter referred to as the JI Track 2 procedure). Since the launch of the procedure, the information regarding Parties' designated focal points (DFPs), national guidelines and procedures for approving JI projects, in accordance with paragraph 20(a) and (b) of the JI guidelines, have not been provided to the secretariat by some Parties, as required for the submission of determination reports regarding project design documents (PDDs).

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

6. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to take note of the updated workplan of the JISC for 2015, as contained in annex 1 to these annotations.

Background: The JISC, at its thirty-sixth meeting, adopted the workplan of the JISC for 2015 and requested the secretariat to include in future versions of the workplan any new mandates arising from meetings and to provide an update on the status of work at each meeting.

7. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to adopt the draft joint implementation two-year business plan and management plan 2016–2017, as contained in annex 2 to these annotations, noting the CMP request to ensure sufficient infrastructure and capacity for Parties to fulfil commitments under the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol.

Background: The CMP, through its decision 5/CMP.10, paragraph 9, requested the JISC to ensure sufficient infrastructure and capacity for the mechanism's use by Parties until at least the end of the additional period for fulfilling commitments under the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol.

Agenda item 4. Other matters

Agenda item 4.1. Guidance by the CMP

8. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to approve the draft annual report of the JISC to the CMP, as contained in annex 3 to these annotations.

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.

9. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to provide guidance on the concept note on options for the JI accreditation system, as contained in annex 4 to these annotations.

Background: The JISC, at its thirty-sixth meeting, agreed, in principle, to fully rely on the accreditation system under the CDM, for its accreditation decisions under JI. In this regard, the JISC requested the secretariat to identify possible impacts, measures to address risks, and to suggest a plan outlining how to implement the approach, to be considered by the JISC at its next meeting, with a view to taking a final decision to fully rely on the accreditation system under the CDM.

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

10. ► **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.

Background: The JISC, at its tenth meeting, decided to recognize the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum as a communication channel between the JISC and accredited independent entities (AIEs) and applicant independent entities (IEs). The JISC also invited written inputs from the forum for discussion under an agenda item dedicated to interactions between the JISC and the forum.

11. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider any inputs received from the Project Developer Forum (PD Forum), and interact with its representative, as appropriate.

Background: The JISC, at its nineteenth meeting, decided to recognize the PD Forum as a communication channel between the JISC and project participants. The JISC also invited the PD Forum to send a representative as an observer to every meeting of the JISC, in order to interact with the JISC.

12. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to: (a) agree to make itself available for informal briefings with registered observers; and (b) invite members and alternates to share information on events in which they have participated.

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 has met with observers for a webcast question-and-answer session at each meeting.

Agenda item 4.3. Other business

13. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to take note of the negotiations and events related to JI that took place during the latest UNFCCC sessions held in Bonn.

Background: During the UNFCCC sessions held in Bonn in June 2015, the forty-second session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), took place, which considered items directly or indirectly related to JI.

14. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to take note of an oral update on the informal interaction with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the CDM Executive Board, held in conjunction with the UNFCCC sessions in June 2015 in Bonn.

Background: The JISC, at its thirty-sixth meeting, requested its Chair and Vice-Chair to continue the usual informal interaction with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the CDM Executive Board with the view to exchanging information and experiences, discussing ways to cooperate across the two regulatory bodies and reporting on this interaction at the next meeting of the JISC.

15. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to take note of the oral report on the carbon market and policy developments over the past few months.

Background: The JISC, at its thirty-sixth meeting, took note of a report on the carbon market and policy developments over the past few months and requested the secretariat to continue updating the JISC on these developments.

16. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to agree on the date of its first meeting for 2016.

Background: The JISC is to agree on the date of its first meeting of next year, in part to assist candidates who are being considered for nomination as JISC members and alternate members for the coming year.

Agenda item 5. Conclusion of the meeting

17. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to approve the report of the thirty-seventh meeting.

Background: The Chair will summarize the meeting and adopt the report, including references to any decisions taken.

Annexes to the annotations

- Annex 1 - Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee workplan for 2015 (status update)
- Annex 2 - Draft JI two-year business plan and management plan 2016–2017
- Annex 3 - Draft annual report of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol
- Annex 4 - Concept note: Options for the JI accreditation system

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