

Development of determination and verification manual

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JISC 13

- Consideration of necessity to develop a DVM

Public call (5 December 2008 – 5 February 2009)

- Nature and purpose, 7 inputs received

JISC 14

- Decision to develop a DVM

JISC 15

- Agreement on the nature and structure of DVM

Public call (28 April – 17 May 2009)

- Contents of DVM, 6 inputs received

Roundtable consultations (16 June 2009)

JISC 16

- Consideration of the first draft

Public call (20 August – 16 September 2009)

- On the second draft

UNFCCC JI technical workshop (8-9 September 2009)

- Consultations with stakeholders based on the second draft



JISC 17

- Considerations of the second draft

JISC 18

- Considerations of a third draft

Aiming at adopting by JISC 19 (3-4 December 2009)



Agreed nature of DVM

- To **guide accredited independent entities (AIEs)** to undertake determinations and verifications in a systematic manner
 - consistency of determination and verification works among AIEs
 - improvement of the integrity and transparency of the JI Track 2
- To **provide indicative modalities of determinations and verifications** to AIEs, from which AIEs may deviate as appropriate.
- To **cover all areas/issues that are required to be determined or verified** by AIEs with regard to a JI Track 2 project.
- **By no means introduce new requirements** for JI Track 2 projects. Instead, it refers to the requirements or guidance for JI Track 2 projects adopted by the CMP or the JISC, through which it maintains the flexibility of JI.
- **DVM may, as appropriate, elaborate or provide examples** with respect to existing requirements.
- Does **not intend to be exhaustive** in its contents with regard to the areas and modalities of determinations and verifications.
- **A living document** and is expected to be revised by the JISC at appropriate intervals to accommodate new requirements/guidance regarding JI Track 2 projects



- A. Background
- B. Objectives
- C. Definitions
- D. Principles of determination and verification
- E. Determination
 1. General
 2. Publication of project design document
 3. Project approval by Parties involved
 4. Project participants authorization by Parties involved
 5. Project boundary
 6. Leakage
 7. Baseline setting
 - JI specific approach
 - Approved CDM methodology approach
 - Multi-project emission factor
 8. Additionality
 9. Crediting period
 10. Monitoring
 - JI specific approach
 - Approved CDM methodology approach
 - Overlapping monitoring period



11. Estimation/calculation of emission reductions or enhancements of removals
12. Environmental impacts
13. Stakeholder consultation
14. Determination regarding small-scale projects
15. Determination regarding land use, land-use change and forestry projects
16. Determination regarding projects under programme of activities
17. Determination report

F. Verification

1. General
2. Publication of monitoring report
3. Project implementation
4. Compliance with monitoring plan
5. Revision of monitoring plan
6. Data management
7. Verification report

G. References

H. Abbreviations

Annex: Determination and verification check list



Current contents

- Compilation of existing requirements:
 - JI guidelines
 - Guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring;
 - Provisions for JI SSC projects;
 - Guidelines for users of JI PDD forms (regular, SSC, LULUCF);
 - Clarification regarding overlapping monitoring periods;
 - Clarification regarding public availability of documents;
 - JI determination report form;
 - JI verification report form
- Converted from “project requirements” to “required actions by AIEs”
Example:
“the project boundary shall encompass all anthropogenic emissions...”
→ *“AIE shall assess whether the project boundary encompasses all anthropogenic emissions...”*
- Additional elements
 - Interaction with project participants
 - Project implementation, data management (under verification)
 - Structure and preparation of determination/verification reports



Main changes from first draft

- Swapped the order of “approved CDM methodology approach” and “JI specific approach” in the sections of:
 - Baseline setting
 - Additionality
 - Monitoring
- Incorporated “Deviation from approved CDM methodology approach” as an option of “approved CDM methodology approach” in the sections of:
 - Baseline setting
 - Monitoring
- Added the case of using “approved CDM methodology approach” in “Leakage” section
- Added the technical review process in the sections of:
 - Determination report
 - Verification report
- Added a new section “Abbreviation”
- Other editorial changes

Main issues for consultations

- What need to be added/deleted/elaborated in the second draft?

Inter alia

- Option of deviation from approved CDM methodology
- Examples
- Any other areas?

