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## Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

### Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. Mr. Piotr Dombrowicki, Chair of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (CDM) (hereinafter referred to as the Board), opened the meeting and asserted that the quorum requirement was met.
2. The Board noted that Mr. Sirous Vatankhah was unable to attend the meeting. He provided proper justification for his absence.
3. Table 1 below presents 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.

Table 1. Attendance

| Members                                      | Alternates   |
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| <b>Mr. Omar Alcock<sup>a</sup></b>           | <b>Mr. Amjad Abdulla<sup>a</sup></b>                 |
| <b>Mr. El Hadji Mbaye Diagne<sup>b</sup></b> | <b>Mr. Rachid Tahiri<sup>b</sup></b>                 |
| <b>Mr. Piotr Dombrowicki<sup>a</sup></b>     | <b>Ms. Anna Romanovskaya<sup>a</sup></b>             |
| <b>Mr. Maosheng Duan<sup>a</sup></b>         | <b>Mr. Jose Domingos Gonzalez Miguez<sup>a</sup></b> |
| <b>Ms. Diana Harutyunyan<sup>a</sup></b>     | <b>Ms. Natalie Kushko<sup>a</sup></b>                |
| <b>Mr. Benjamin Karmorh Jr.<sup>a</sup></b>  | <b>Mr. Moises Alvarez<sup>a</sup></b>                |
| <b>Mr. Olivier Kassi<sup>b</sup></b>         | <b>Mr. Frank Wolke<sup>b</sup></b>                   |
| <b>Mr. Lambert Schneider<sup>b</sup></b>     | <b>Mr. Kazunari Kainou<sup>b</sup></b>               |
| <b>Mr. Spencer Linus Thomas<sup>b</sup></b>  | <b>Mr. Eduardo Calvo<sup>b</sup></b>                 |
| <b>Mr. Sirous Vatankhah<sup>b</sup></b>      | <b>Mr. Muhammad Tariq<sup>b</sup></b>                |

(a) Term: Two years, i.e. ending prior to the first meeting in 2020.

(b) Term: Two years, i.e. ending prior to the first meeting in 2021.

### Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

4. The Board adopted the agenda of the meeting and agreed to add the following additional item under agenda item 2.2. Strategic planning and direction: CDM Executive Board input to the stock-take on pre-2020 implementation and ambition to be held at the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-fifth session (COP25).

## Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

### Agenda item 2.1. Membership issues

5. The Board considered information provided by members and alternate members with respect to any potential conflict of interest.

## **Agenda item 2.2. Strategic planning and direction**

6. The Board considered a request for information received from the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and agreed to respond based on factual information available on the UNFCCC website.
7. The Board considered the potential request to come by the President of COP24 and President-elect of COP25 for input to the stock-taking on pre-2020 implementation and ambition to be held at COP25 and provided guidance to the secretariat on the preparation of a draft response. The Board requested the secretariat to circulate the draft response sufficiently in advance of any deadline to allow members to consider and comment on the draft.

## **Agenda item 2.3. Performance management**

8. The Board agreed on its annual report to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) at its fifteenth session, which covers the period from 1 September 2018 to 12 September 2019, and requested the secretariat to finalize the report in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board to include the outcomes of its 104<sup>th</sup> meeting. Once the report is complete, it will be published on the UNFCCC and CDM websites.
9. In response to decision 4/CMP 14, paragraph 5, the Board agreed on the report on CDM income and expenditure and projections until the end of 2023 and requested the secretariat to include it as an appendix to its annual report to the CMP at its fifteenth session.
10. The Board took note of an update on the status of the social media campaign for the voluntary cancellation of certified emission reductions (CERs) and requested an update of the results of the 2019 social media campaign once completed.
11. The Board took note of a progress update on the online platform for the voluntary cancellation of CERs.
12. The Board took note of the update on the status of the work of the Board, noting the changes highlighted in its workplan for 2019.

## **Agenda item 2.4. Matters related to the Board and its support structure**

13. The Board adopted the CDM two-year business and management plan 2020-2021, as contained in [annex 1](#) to this report.

## **Agenda item 2.5. Operations of panels and working groups**

### **(a). CDM Accreditation Panel**

14. The Board took note of an electronic consultation report of the CDM Accreditation Panel.

### **(b). Methodologies Panel**

15. The Board took note of two electronic consultation reports, MP80-EC01 and MP80-EC02, of the Methodologies Panel (MP). The decisions of the Board related to the recommendations of the MP are contained under agenda item 4. (Regulatory matters) of this meeting report.

## **Agenda item 3. Rulings (case-specific)**

### **Agenda item 3.1. Accreditation**

16. The Board took note that no accreditation cases were to be considered at this meeting.

### **Agenda item 3.2. Registration**

17. The Board noted that 7,808 CDM project activities have been registered as at 12 September 2019. The status of requests for registration of project activities can be viewed on the UNFCCC CDM website.<sup>1</sup>
18. The Board noted that 322 CDM programmes of activities (PoAs) have been registered as at 12 September 2019 and that under these PoAs 2,349 component project activities have been included. The status of requests for registration of PoAs can be viewed on the UNFCCC CDM website.<sup>2</sup>

### **Agenda item 3.3. Issuance**

19. The Board noted that 2,013,162,355 CERs have been issued for CDM project activities and that 21,122,208 CERs have been issued for PoAs as at 12 September 2019. The status of CERs issued can be viewed on the UNFCCC CDM website.<sup>3</sup>
20. The Board noted that 45,809,161 CERs (CERs/temporary CERs/long-term CERs) have been voluntarily cancelled as at 12 September 2019. Out of these, 996,210 CERs had been voluntarily cancelled using the online platform for voluntary cancellation of CERs. The status of CERs voluntarily cancelled can be viewed on the UNFCCC CDM website.<sup>4</sup>
21. In accordance with the "CDM project cycle procedure for programmes of activities" (PCP-PoA), the Board considered two requests for issuance for a PoA, for which assessments of the secretariat and the Registration and Issuance Team contained different proposed decisions, or the proposed decisions were the same but objections were received from a member of the Board. The Board decided to approve the requests for issuance of the PoA "Domestic Cooking Stoves substitution programme in Mozambique" (9981) submitted by the DOE E-0062 "EPIC Sustainability Services Pvt. Ltd." (EPIC) for the monitoring periods from 12 July 2016 to 30 November 2016 (9981-MP1-IRP3) and from 1 December 2016 to 31 December 2017 (9981-MP2-IRP2).

## **Agenda item 4. Regulatory matters**

### **Agenda item 4.1. Standards/tools**

#### **(a). Standards for CDM project activities and programmes of activities**

22. The Board approved the amendments to versions 02.0 of the "CDM project standard for programmes of activities" and the "CDM validation and verification standard for programmes of activities", as contained in [annex 2](#) and [annex 3](#) to this report; and the revised glossary "CDM terms", as contained in [annex 4](#) to this report.
23. The Board took note of the information note "Analysis of levelized cost of electricity generation and penetration rates of grid-connected solar PV and on-shore wind technologies" and agreed not to amend the positive lists as contained in "AM0103: Renewable energy power generation in isolated grids", "ACM0002: Grid-connected

electricity generation from renewable sources" and "TOOL21: Demonstration of additionality of small-scale project activities".

24. The Board approved, as a major revision, the "Guideline: General guidelines for SSC CDM methodologies" as contained in [annex 5](#) to this report. The revision clarifies that simplified requirements described under section 4.8.2 of the guideline are applicable only if the applied methodology and the monitoring plan allow for biennial monitoring.

**(b). Methodological standards for large-scale CDM project activities**

25. The Board took note that no new large-scale CDM methodologies were to be considered at this meeting.

**(c). Methodological standards for small-scale CDM project activities**

***(i). New methodologies and tools (small-scale)***

26. The Board adopted the new methodology "AMS-III.BO: Trip avoidance through equipment improvement of freight transport", as contained in [annex 6](#) to this report. The new methodology is applicable to project activities that implement measures for improved freight transportation that result in fuel savings due to avoidance of trips to transport the same quantity of freight. Measures include the design and implementation of new technologies for trailers or similar transportation equipment used to load the freight during the transportation.

**Agenda item 4.2. Procedures**

27. The Board approved the amendments to version 02.0 of the "CDM project cycle procedure for programmes of activities", as contained in [annex 7](#) to this report.

**Agenda item 4.3. Policy issues**

28. The Board took note that no policy issues were to be considered at this meeting.

**Agenda item 5. Relations with forums and other stakeholders**

29. The Board took note of an update on the CDM Loan Scheme.
30. The Board took note of the external input received to the annotated agenda of its 104<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Board thanked the stakeholder for the input, which was considered by the Board under the relevant agenda items.
31. The Board interacted with the Designated Operational Entity Forum /Accredited Independent Entity Coordination Forum representative, Mr. Rainer Winter, via video conference, and took note of the Forum's input. The Board thanked Mr. Winter for his input and encouraged the Forum to continue raising issues related to the Board's guidance and proposing solutions.
32. The Board took note of the following activities undertaken relating to stakeholders, Designated National Authorities, applicant entities and DOEs:
- (a) 48<sup>th</sup> DOE conference call held on 16 July via video conference;

- (b) CDM-related events organized during the Latin America and Caribbean Climate Week held from 19 to 23 August 2019 in Salvador, Brazil;
  - (c) CDM-related events organized during the Asia-Pacific Climate Week held from 2 to 6 September 2019 in Bangkok, Thailand.
- 33. The Board considered four communications (INQ-07159, INQ-07822, INQ-08698, INQ-08882) submitted by stakeholders and agreed to respond to the submitters in accordance with the "Procedure: Direct communication with stakeholders".
- 34. No observers were registered for this meeting. Observers to the 105<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board shall register with the secretariat by 4 November 2019.

## **Agenda item 6. Other matters**

- 35. The Board agreed on the theme for its side event to be held during COP25.
- 36. The Board participated in a capacity-building workshop regarding gender under the UNFCCC.
- 37. The Board agreed to the provisional agenda for the 105<sup>th</sup> meeting, to be held in Santiago, Chile, from 25 to 28 November 2019, as contained in [annex 8](#) to this report.

## **Agenda item 7. Conclusion of the meeting**

- 38. The Chair summarized the main conclusions and closed the meeting.
- 39. Any decisions taken by the Board shall be made publicly available in accordance with paragraph 17 of the CDM modalities and procedures and with rule 31 of the Rules of procedure of the Board. The proceedings of the open sessions of the meeting can be accessed via webcast.<sup>5</sup>

## **Annexes to the report**

### **Matters related to the Board and its support structure**

Annex 1 - CDM two-year business and management plan 2020-2021 (version 01.0)

### **Standards for CDM project activities and programmes of activities**

Annex 2 - Amendments to version 02.0 of the "CDM project standard for programmes of activities" (version 01.0)

Annex 3 - Amendments to version 02.0 of the "CDM validation and verification standard for programmes of activities" (version 01.0)

Annex 4 - Glossary: CDM terms (version 10.0)

Annex 5 - Guideline: General guidelines for SSC CDM methodologies (version 23.0)

### **Methodological standards for small-scale CDM project activities**

Annex 6 - AMS-III.BO: Trip avoidance through equipment improvement of freight transport (version 01.0)

### **Procedures**

Annex 7 - Amendments to version 02.0 of the "CDM project cycle procedure for programmes of activities" (version 01.0)

### **Other matters**

Annex 8 - Provisional agenda: CDM Executive Board 105<sup>th</sup> meeting (version 01.0)



## **List of documents undergone editorial changes or issued since the last meeting**

### ***Regulatory Documents***

- Ruling note: Rational for rejection for PRC-9977-002 (version 01.0)
- Ruling note: Rational for rejection for PRC-9977-003 (version 01.0)
- Ruling note: Rational for rejection for PRC-6810-002 (version 01.0)
- Ruling note: Rational for rejection for PRC-5067-002 (version 01.0)
- Ruling note: Request for issuance for “International water purification programme” (version 01.0)
- Ruling note: Request for renewal of crediting period for “Wayang Windu Phase 2 Geothermal Power Project” (version 01.0)
- Status of CDM MAP 2018-2019 implementation (1 Jan - 30 Jun 2019) (version 01.0)
- Regular report to the CDM EB: Regional collaboration centres (1 Jan - 30 Jun 2019) (version 01.0)
- Regular report to the CDM EB: United Nations platform for voluntary cancellation of certified emission reductions (1 Jan - 30 Jun 2019) (version 01.0)

### ***Forms***

- CDM-AAR-FORM: DOE annual activity report (version 05.1)
- CDM-RA-FORM: CDM registry holding account opening request form (version 02.0)
- CDM-SUZR-FORM: Proposed special underdeveloped zone recommendation form (version 02.0)

### ***Checklists***

- Checklist for requests for registration of project activities (version 02.0)
- Checklist for requests for post-registration changes to project activities (version 02.0)
- Checklist for requests for issuance for project activities (version 02.0)
- Checklist for requests for renewal of crediting period of project activities (version 02.0)
- Checklist for requests for registration of programme of activities (version 02.0)
- Checklist for requests for post-registration changes to programme of activities (version 02.0)
- Checklist for requests for issuance for programme of activities (version 02.0)
- Checklist for requests for renewal of programme of activities period (version 02.0)

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## Endnotes

1. <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/>.
2. <http://cdm.unfccc.int/ProgrammeOfActivities/>.
3. [http://cdm.unfccc.int/Issuance/cers\\_iss.html](http://cdm.unfccc.int/Issuance/cers_iss.html).
4. <https://cdm.unfccc.int/Registry/index.html>.
5. <https://unfccc-events.cloud.streamworld.de/webcast/cdm-executive-board-104th-meeting-2>