

**Annex 9****DRAFT WORKPLAN OF THE AFFORESTATION AND
REFORESTATION WORKING GROUP
(2012)****(Version 01.0)****I. Background**

1. The Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group (hereinafter referred to as the A/R WG) is established under the CDM Executive Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) to assist in the performance of its functions related to methodological issues concerning afforestation and reforestation project activities. The mandate of the A/R WG is determined by its terms of reference, the rules of procedure of the Board, and additional guidance provided by the Board.

2. This workplan of the A/R WG for 2012 outlines the expected tasks of the A/R WG to support the Board and has been developed within the context of the draft CDM Business Plan 2012-2013.¹ It provides details of the activities, expected outputs and timelines associated with each related CDM Business Plan 2012-2013 objective.

¹ EB 66, annex # “CDM Business Plan”



II. Workplan

A. Core support activities

CDM Business Plan objective	Specific issue	Activities	Expected deliverable
Appendix 1/Core support to CDM: Effective implementation of procedures on consideration of PNM, including request for revision and clarification & Supporting the efficient operations of panels and working groups	New A/R methodology submissions	Consideration of proposed new A/R methodologies (AR-PNM) following priorities as identified by the Board and as per procedures ²	(a) Draft recommendations on AR-PNMs; (b) Draft methodologies recommended for approval
	Requests for clarification and requests for revision submitted by project participants	Consideration of requests for clarification and requests for revision as per procedures ³	(a) Draft responses to requests for revision and clarification; (b) Draft revised methodologies and tools recommended to be revised
	Requests for deviation from an approved methodology	Consideration of requests for deviation from an approved A/R WG methodology as per procedures ⁴	(a) Recommendations on requests for deviation from an approved methodology
	Submissions for standardized baselines	Consideration of recommendations on standardized baselines as per procedure ⁵	(a) Recommendations on submissions for standardized baselines

² EB 53, annex 13 “Procedures for the submission and consideration of a proposed new baseline and monitoring methodology for large scale A/R CDM project activities”

³ EB 54, annex 3 “Procedures for the submission and consideration of requests for revision of AMs and tools for A/R CDM project activities” and EB 42, annex 9 “Submission and consideration of queries regarding the application of approved methodologies and methodological tools by DOEs to the Meth Panel”

⁴ EB 49, annex 4 “Procedures for requests to the Executive Board for deviation from an approved methodology” (version 01.0)

⁵ EB 63, annex 28 “Procedure for submission and consideration of standardized baselines”

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Appendix 1/Core support to CDM: Effective implementation of procedures on consideration of PNM, including request for revision and clarification & Supporting the efficient operations of panels and working groups	Request for approval of changes to PDD	Provide inputs to request for approval of changes to PDDs upon request by the secretariat ⁶	Recommendation on request for approval of changes to PDDs
	Direct communication with stakeholders	Consideration of stakeholder communications directly referred to the working group by the secretariat ⁷	Recommendation on responses to stakeholders' communications

⁶ EB 65, annex 32 “Clean Development Mechanism Project Cycle Procedure”

⁷ EB 62, annex 15 “Modalities and procedures for Direct communication with stakeholders”

**B. Deliverables CDM Business Plan 2012 -2013**

CDM Business Plan objective ¹	Specific issue	Activities	Expected deliverable	Status	Planned finish (EB meeting to consider the output)
A (ii) - Improved objectivity, clarity and integrity in the CDM	Improvement of A/R methodologies and tools initiated by the Board, the A/R WG or the secretariat, following the priorities as identified by the Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identification of A/R methodologies and tools for improvement, based on potential for simplification, strengthening the usability, applicability and consistency;• Consideration of the identified A/R methodologies and tools;• Preparation of draft revised A/R methodologies and tools incorporating improvements;• Participation in relevant practitioner workshops;• Launch of call for public input on further improvements on A/R WG methodologies, tools guidelines and practical application of A/R procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recommendation for approval of at least two draft revised/consolidated methodologies;• Recommendation for approval of three revised tools of which one is related to additionality;• Feedback on the inputs from the public call on further improvements on A/R WG methodologies, tools guidelines and practical application of A/R procedures	Work initiated in 2011: Consideration of a draft revision to one A/R methodology	EB 66-70



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CDM Business Plan objective ¹	Specific issue	Activities	Expected deliverable	Status	Planned finish (EB meeting to consider the output)
A (ii) - Improved objectivity, clarity and integrity in the CDM	Improvement of A/R procedures and guidelines initiated by the Board, the A/R WG or the secretariat, following the priorities as identified by the Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identification of options for improvement based on potential for simplification, strengthening the usability, applicability and consistency of procedures and guidelines;• Consideration of the identified options available;• Preparation of draft revised A/R procedures and guidelines incorporating improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) Feedback on options for determination of land eligibility and project boundaries;(b) Recommendation for approval of draft revised “Guidelines for demonstrating additionality in A/R CDM project activities”;(c) Recommendation for approval of draft revised “Guidelines on conservative choice and application of default data in estimation of the net anthropogenic GHG removals by sinks”		<ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) EB 69 (A/R WG 37)(b) EB 70 (A/R WG 38)(c) EB 69 (A/R WG 37)
B (ii) - Enhanced promotion and further development of the mechanism	Guidelines with expanded applicability to afforestation and reforestation projects	Consultation on the draft guidelines with expanded applicability to afforestation and reforestation projects	Feedback to the secretariat on the development of the draft guidelines		EB 68 (A/R WG 36)

**History of the document**

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