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### **Letter of approval for a project under article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol (CDM)**

The Federal Office for the Environment (FOEN), acting as the Swiss Designated National Authority (DNA) confirms that Switzerland :

1. has ratified the Kyoto Protocol on July 09, 2003;
2. approves voluntary participation in the CDM project activity mentioned above;
3. by this letter of approval, also authorizes "Novartis Pharma AG" to participate as project proponent to the CDM project activity named above.

Signed on behalf of the Federal Office for the Environment FOEN

Andrea Burkhardt  
Head of Climate Division

Annex: Legal information for Swiss CDM project participants regarding business transactions abroad

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The Swiss Designated National Authority under article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol recalls that the applicability of certain Swiss legal provisions extends to actions by CDM project participants in foreign countries.

In particular, participants are reminded of:

- (i) article 322septies of the Swiss Criminal Code which prohibits bribery of foreign public officials;
- (ii) article 4a of the Swiss Unfair Competition Act which prohibits bribery of private persons in Switzerland and in foreign countries;
- (iii) article 102 of the Swiss Criminal Code which extends liability for the two afore-mentioned offences to legal entities.

For further information for Swiss businesses operating abroad on how to prevent corruption please visit: [www.seco.admin.ch/themen/00645/00657/index.html?lang=de](http://www.seco.admin.ch/themen/00645/00657/index.html?lang=de)