



CDM: Recommendation form for Small Scale Methodologies (Version 01.1)

(To be used for presenting questions/proposals/amendments to the simplified methodologies for small-scale CDM project activity categories)

Date of SSC WG meeting:	05–08 March 2012, SSC WG 37
Title/Subject (give a small title or specify the subject of your submission, maximum 200 characters):	Clarification on the definition of a country specific technology in the FOIK guidelines
Indicative methodology to which your submission relates <i>(refer the items of Appendix B of the Simplified Modalities and Procedures), if applicable:</i>	AMS-II.D “Energy efficiency and fuel switching measures for industrial facilities”
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Summary of the query:	
Please use the space below to summarize the query related to SSC methodologies/categories SSC Modalities and Procedures provide recommendation/analysis of the SSC WG.	
<p>Original text from PP:</p> <p>This query is related to procedures for a SSC project activity. The query is stated as below:</p> <p>Our project titled “Energy efficiency through manufacturing process modification at RICO Auto Industries Limited” is currently under validation. The host country is India. This is a small scale project based on small scale methodology AMS IID (version 12). The project activity involves procurement of molten aluminum by RICO Auto, directly in the molten state from the supplier. In the baseline scenario, aluminum is procured in the form of ingots, which is then melted at RICO premises and used to make the finished product. In the project case, since molten aluminum is directly procured, there is no requirement of re-melting at RICO premises and this leads to GHG reductions. The additionality of the project is based on technological barrier and ‘first of its kind’. During the validation process, the DoE has asked us to refer to the “tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality” (EB 65, Annex 21). We request you clarification on the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As we understand, the application of this tool (EB 65, Annex 21) is not mandatory since the applied methodology does not refer to this tool. Kindly clarify whether we are required to apply this tool. In case we apply “barrier due to prevailing practice” for demonstration of additionality, will it be required to apply the “guidelines on additionality of first-of-its-kind project activities” (EB 63 Annex 11). Both EB 65, Annex21 as well as EB 63 Annex 11 define the applicable geographical area as the host country as default. However, they go on to say that in case the project technology is not country specific then the applicable geographical area should be extended to other countries. Kindly provide clarification as to the definition of a country specific technology. Please also clarify whether we will need to take only India (host country) as the applicable geographical area or include other countries as well. If other countries are to be included, then which or how many countries should be included. 	

Recommendation by the SSC WG:

Please use the space below to provide amendments / change (in your expert view, if necessary).

Please refer to paragraph 25 of the meeting report of the SSC WG 37
<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ssc_wg>.

Answer to authors of query by the SSC WG:

Please use the space below to provide answer to the authors of the above query.

The small-scale working group of the CDM Executive Board would like to thank the author for the submission.

The SSC WG agreed to clarify that if attachment A to appendix B is used to demonstrate additionality of the SSC project, then it is not mandatory to use the “Tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality” and thus the “Guidelines on additionality of first-of-its-kind project activities (FOIK guidelines)” are also not mandatory.

Guidelines (such as the FOIK guidelines) contain supplemental information such as acceptable methods for satisfying requirements identified in standards (e.g. Attachment A to Appendix B) or procedures. Guidelines describe processes and are designed to promote a uniform approach to compliance with the applicable standards or procedures. The guidelines are not mandatory until and unless they are included in standards, procedures or tools. The choice remains with the project proponent as to whether or not to use the FOIK guidelines while demonstrating prevailing practice barriers under Attachment A to Appendix B.

Regarding the query as to whether a region other than host country can be selected under this guidance, the SSC WG agreed to clarify that this can be done provided that it can be demonstrated that technologies vary considerably from location to location depending on local conditions. However, to conclude whether or not a selected geographical region is appropriate for demonstrating FOIK, it is the prerogative of the DOE and the Board to accept the arguments of the project proponent on the choice of the geographical region.

The author of the submission may also wish to take note of the ongoing work on “Improved guidelines on first-of-its-kind and the assessment of common practice” included in the work programme of the Board for 2012 (EB 67, annex 1).

Signature of SSC WG Chair: Mr. Peer Stiansen

Date: 08/06/2012

Signature of SSC WG Vice-Chair: Ms. Fatou Gaye

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