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Annotations to the proposed agenda

Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. ► **Action:** The Secretary of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (CDM) (hereinafter referred to as the Board) shall ascertain whether (a) the members present constitute a quorum, and (b) the absence of any member or alternate member is without proper justification.¹

Background: Rule 12 of the Rules of procedure of the Board (decision 4/CMP.1) stipulates that the Secretary of the Board shall preside over the opening of the first Board meeting of a calendar year. According to the Rules of procedure of the Board, at least two-thirds of the members of the Board, representing a majority of members from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention and a majority of members from Parties not included in Annex I, must be present to constitute a quorum.

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. ► **Action:** Members may wish to adopt the proposed agenda for the seventy-seventh meeting.

Background: At its last meeting, the Board agreed on items to be included on the provisional agenda for its seventy-seventh meeting. The proposed agenda was transmitted to the Board on 27 January 2014 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC CDM website in accordance with rule 21 of the Rules of procedure of the Board.

Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

Agenda item 2.1. Membership issues

3. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to welcome the following new members and alternate members of the Board elected by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) at its ninth session:
 - (a) Ms. Nataliya Kushko (first term) as member and Ms. Diana Harutyunyan (first term) as alternate member, nominated by the Eastern European group;
 - (b) Mr. Hugh Sealy (second term) as member and Mr. Amjad Abdulla (second term) as alternate member, nominated by the small island developing States;
 - (c) Mr. Frank Wolke (first term) as member, nominated by Parties included in Annex I. A nomination for the alternate member from Parties included in Annex I has not yet been received. The alternate member on this seat remains in office until the nomination is received;

¹ Please refer to rule 28 of the Rules of procedure of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism, decision 4/CMP.1 (FCCC/KP/CMP/2005/8/Add.1).

- (d) Mr. José Domingos Gonzalez Miguez (second term) as member and Mr. Maosheng Duan (first term) as alternate member, nominated by Parties not included in Annex I;
- (e) Mr. Quazi Kholiquzzaman Ahmad (second term) as an alternate member, nominated by Parties not included in Annex I. A nomination for the member from Parties not included in Annex I has not yet been received. The position remains vacant until a nomination is received.

The Board may also wish to welcome further new members of the Board:

- (a) Mr. Martin Enderlin, who has been nominated by the Western Europe and others group after the resignation of Mr. Peer Stiansen;
- (b) Mr. Tosi Mpanu Mpanu, who has been nominated by the African group after the resignation of Mr. Victor Kabengele.

Background: Mr. Peer Stiansen and Mr. Victor Kabengele have resigned from their functions as Board members with effect from immediately before the first meeting of the Board in 2014. In accordance with rule 8 of the Rules of procedure of the Board and the decision of the Board at its fifty-sixth meeting, the new Board members, Mr. Martin Enderlin and Mr. Tosi Mpanu Mpanu, have been appointed for the remainder of these terms.

4. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of the oaths of service of new members and alternate members of the Board.

Background: In accordance with paragraph 8(e) of the CDM modalities and procedures and rule 10 of the Rules of procedure of the Board, members and alternate members are required to take a written oath of service before being able to participate in the work of the Board. The UNFCCC secretariat has received the written oaths from all newly elected members and alternate members.

5. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to elect its Chair, for the year 2014, from among the members nominated by Parties not included in Annex I, and its Vice-Chair from among the members nominated by Parties included in Annex I.

Background: At the first Board meeting of each calendar year, i.e. at this seventy-seventh meeting, the Board shall elect a Chair and a Vice-Chair from among its members. Rule 12 of the Rules of procedure of the Board stipulates that the Secretary of the Board shall conduct the election of the new Chair and Vice-Chair. In accordance with rule 12 of the Rules of procedure, the Board shall elect its own Chair and Vice-Chair, with one being a member from a Party not included in Annex I and the other being from a Party included in Annex I. The positions of Chair and Vice-Chair shall alternate annually between a member nominated by a Party included in Annex I and a member nominated by a Party not included in Annex I. As of 17 February 2014, the newly elected Chair shall therefore have been nominated by a Party not included in Annex I and the Vice-Chair have been nominated by a Party included in Annex I.

6. ► **Action:** Members of the Board may wish to provide statements on any conflict of interest concerning the issues on the agenda for the meeting, and take action, as appropriate.

Background: Following the request by the CMP, through its decision 2/CMP.5, that the Board publish statements of conflict of interest on the UNFCCC website, members and alternate members are requested to disclose whether they have any conflict of interest relating to the work of the Board at each meeting.

Agenda item 2.2. Strategic planning and direction

7. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the outcomes of the ninth session of the CMP and other related decisions adopted at the UNFCCC sessions and discuss their implications.

Background: The CMP, at its ninth session, took note of the annual report (2012–2013) of the Board and adopted decision 3/CMP.9, “Guidance relating to the clean development mechanism”, as well as other decisions related to the CDM. The decisions adopted by the CMP are available on the UNFCCC website at <<http://unfccc.int/2860.php#decisions>>.

8. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of an oral report on the latest carbon market and policy developments.

Background: The Board, through its management plan (MAP) 2014, agreed to receive regular updates on developments and prospects in the carbon market and related governmental policies from the secretariat.

9. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of an informal interaction between the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Board and the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC) which took place in conjunction with the UNFCCC sessions in Warsaw.

Background: The Board, at its seventy-sixth meeting, took note that the interaction between the chairs and vice-chairs would happen at the ninth session of the CMP and was aimed to at facilitating the exchange of views and sharing of experiences in the operation of the two bodies.

Agenda item 2.3. Performance management

10. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to adopt the draft workplan of the Board for 2014, as contained in annex 1 to these annotations.

Background: Based on the approved “CDM two-year business plan 2014–2015 and management plan 2014”, the workplan of the Board has been prepared, which includes all products that the Board is to consider during 2014.

11. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to adopt the draft workplan of its panels and working groups for 2014, as contained in annex 2 to these annotations.

Background: Based on the approved MAP 2014, the workplans of the Board’s five panels and working groups, namely the CDM Accreditation Panel (CDM-AP), Methodologies Panel (Meth Panel), Small-Scale Working Group (SSC WG), Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group (A/R WG) and the Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage Working Group (CCS WG) have been prepared, including products and routine activities that the panels and working groups are requested to consider

during 2014. The Board will receive reports on the status of implementation of the work of panels and working groups every six months.

12. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of the 2014 workplan of the Nairobi Framework Partnership (NFP) to improve the regional distribution of the CDM and a report on the partners' activities in 2013, including those of the secretariat, as contained in annexes 3 and 4 to these annotations.

Background: The CMP, through its decision 2/CMP.5 requested the secretariat to facilitate the coordination among partner agencies in the implementation of the Nairobi Framework activities. The Board, through its MAP 2014, agreed to take actions within its authority to enhance the distribution of CDM projects, project types and programmes in those countries, regions and sub-regions currently underrepresented in the CDM.

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

13. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to appoint members and/or alternate members to act as chairs and vice-chairs of panels and working groups in 2014.

Background: In accordance with the Terms of reference of the support structure of the Board, the Board shall elect the chairs and vice-chairs of panels and working groups, and any additional members or alternate members to support them, at the first meeting of each calendar year.

14. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to appoint members and/or alternate members to its Finance Committee and a co-chair respectively and further discuss related work on financial matters.

Background: In accordance with the Terms of reference of the Finance Committee, adopted by the Board at its seventy-third meeting, if a Committee member or co-chair ceases to be a Board member or alternate member, a new Committee member shall be appointed by the Board for the remainder of the term.

15. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to adopt the revised "CDM Executive Board decision and documentation framework", as contained in annex 5 to these annotations.

Background: The Board at its sixty-seventh meeting adopted the revised framework and requested the secretariat to make further changes to the document, for its future consideration.

16. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to agree on its calendar of meetings for 2014.

Background: The Board at its seventy-sixth meeting agreed on the tentative calendar of meetings of the Board for 2014 and the dates of the meetings of the panels and working groups in 2014. In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Board, the Board shall approve the calendar of meetings for the calendar year at the first meeting of each calendar year.

17. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider extending the term of office of panel and working group members.

Background: In accordance with the Terms of reference of the support structure of the Board, the term of service of a member of a panel or working group shall be for a period

of one year commencing at the first meeting of the panel or working group after the selection and ending immediately before the first meeting of the panel or working group after the selection of new members by the Board in the next year.

Agenda item 2.5. Operation of panels and working groups

(a). CDM Accreditation Panel

18. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the report of the 67th meeting of the CDM-AP.

Background: The CDM-AP held its 67th meeting on 28–31 January 2014 in Bonn, Germany.

(b). Methodologies Panel

19. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the report of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel.²

Background: The Meth Panel held its 62nd meeting on 27–31 January 2014 in Bonn, Germany. The Meth Panel dealt with case-specific issues, methodological clarifications, guidance and other issues, as specified below.

(c). Small-Scale Working Group

20. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the report of the 43rd meeting of the SSC WG.

Background: The SSC WG is to hold its 43rd meeting on 3–5 February 2014 in Bonn, Germany. The SSC WG will deal with case-specific issues, methodological clarifications, guidance and other issues, as specified below.

21. ► **Note:** Due to the date of the 43rd meeting of the SSC WG and the date of publication of these annotations, an addendum will be issued containing the annotations relating to the outcome of the meeting.

Agenda item 3. Rulings (case specific)

Agenda item 3.1. Accreditation

22. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to:

- (a) Consider the recommendations of the CDM-AP on the outcome of spot-checks;
- (b) Accredit and recommend for designation applicant entities for sector-specific validation and verification/certification functions;

² Due to the date of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel and the date of publication of these annotations, the report of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel will be published later in the week, after the publication of this annotated agenda.

- (c) Reaccredit designated operational entities (DOEs) for sector-specific validation and verification/certification functions;
- (d) Take note of notifications from the CDM-AP on the completion of regular surveillance assessments;
- (e) Take note of notifications from the CDM-AP on the completion of performance assessments;
- (f) Take note of notification from the DOEs on voluntary withdrawal of accreditation.

Background: In accordance with the accreditation procedure, the accreditation-related recommendations and the supporting documentation will be sent to the Board under separate cover under confidentiality.

Agenda item 3.2. Programmes of activities

23. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take stock of the progress of registration and issuance of programmes of activities (PoAs).

Background: The information available in the section on “Programme of Activities” on the UNFCCC CDM website (<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/ProgrammeOfActivities/index.html>>) indicates the status of PoAs submitted for registration as a single CDM project activity. Information on the status of certified emission reductions (CERs) issued for PoAs is available at <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Issuance/cers_iss.html>.

Agenda item 3.3. Registration

24. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take stock of the progress of registration of project activities.

Background: The information available on the UNFCCC CDM website (<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/projsearch.html>>) indicates the status of project activities submitted for registration.

25. ► **Action:** The Board shall consider the documentation for seven requests for registration as listed in table 1 below, for which a review was commenced.

Background: Three or more members of the Board or a Party involved requested a review of the requests for registration listed in table 1 below. The subsequent assessments of the secretariat and the Registration and Issuance Team (RIT) contained different proposed decisions (i.e. one to register and the other to reject), or the same proposed decisions (both to register or to reject) but received an objection from a member of the Board. In accordance with the applicable regulation for each case listed in table 1 below, the Board shall decide whether to register the project activity or to reject the request for registration.

Table 1.^(a) Request for registration review cases for which assessments of the secretariat and the RIT Team contain different proposed decisions or an objection by a member of the Board was received

Ref no.	Title	Register	Reject
9482	Bundled Wind Power Project - EnKing International (CDM.November-10-02)	?	?
9569	Hedcor Irisan 3.8MW Hydroelectric Power Project	?	?
5025	Tunjita Diversion Hydroelectric Project	?	?
7632	Clinker Optimization in cement types production at Derba MIDROC cement Plant	?	?
8882	Shaanxi Shifeng Cement Waste Heat Recovery Project	?	?
9609	Hedcor Tudaya 1&2 Hydroelectric Power Project	?	?
9620	Anaerobic digestion and heat generation at Sugar Corporation of Uganda Limited	?	?

^(a) Table 1 refers to cases for which the “Clean development mechanism project cycle procedure” version 03.0 is applicable (i.e. for requests for registration which have been submitted under the validation and verification standard (VVS) track) and/or cases for which the “Procedure for review of requests for registration” version 01.2 is applicable (i.e. for requests for registration which have been submitted under the validation and verification manual (VVM) track).

Agenda item 3.4. Issuance

26. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take stock of the progress of issuance for project activities and the operation of the CDM registry.

Background: The information available in the section on “Issuance of CERs” on the UNFCCC CDM website (<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Issuance>>) indicates the status of requests for issuance.

27. ► **Action:** The Board shall consider the documentation for three requests for issuance, for which a review was commenced, as listed in table 2 below.

Background: Three or more members of the Board or a Party involved requested a review of the issuance requests listed in table 2 below. The subsequent assessments of the secretariat and the RIT Team contained different proposed decisions (i.e. one to approve and the other to reject), or the same proposed decision (both to approve or to reject) but received an objection from a member of the Board. In accordance with the applicable regulation for each case listed in table 2 below, the Board shall decide whether to approve or to reject the request for issuance.

Table 2:^(a) Request for issuance review case for which assessment of the secretariat and the RIT Team contain different proposed decisions or an objection by a member of the Board was received

Ref. no.	Title	Monitoring period	No. of CERs	Approve	Reject
1406	Tianjin Shuangkou Landfill Gas Recovery and Electricity Generation	01 Jan 12 - 31 Dec 12	83,407	?	?
2421	Nubika Jaya Biogas Extraction for Bio-Hydrogen Production	01 Aug 10 - 31 Jul 12	27,012	?	?
3766	Improving Energy Efficiency in Railways' Residential Quarters – Northern Region	10 Nov 10 - 09 Nov 11	24,931	?	?

^(a) Table 2 refers to a case for which the “Clean development mechanism project cycle procedure” version 03.0 is applicable (i.e. for requests for issuance which have been submitted under the VVS track) and/or case for which the “Procedure for review of requests for issuance of CERs” version 02.0 is applicable (i.e. for requests for issuance which have been submitted under the VVM track).

28. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider a request for permission to resubmit a previously rejected request for issuance listed in table 3 below.

Background: In accordance with the applicable regulation, if a request for issuance has previously been rejected by the Board, the DOE may resubmit the request for issuance with revised documentation if the reasons for the rejection can be addressed by means of a revised verification report, based on a revised monitoring report as appropriate. In this case, the DOE shall submit a request for resubmission of the request for issuance, justifying that the resubmission falls under such case. The Board shall decide whether to allow the resubmission on a case-by-case basis. The Board may provide further guidance, as appropriate.

Table 3:^(a) Request for resubmission of previously rejected request for issuance

Ref. no.	Title	Monitoring period
2401	Construction of additional cooling tower cells at AES Lal Pir (Pvt.) Limited. Muzaffar Garh, Pakistan	01 May 2009 - 30 Apr 2011

^(a) Table 3 refers to a case for which the “Clean development mechanism project cycle procedure” version 03.0 is applicable (i.e. for requests for issuance which have been submitted under the VVS track) and/or case for which the “Procedure for review of

requests for issuance of CERs" version 02.0 is applicable (i.e. for requests for issuance which have been submitted under the VVM track).

Agenda item 4. Regulatory matters

Agenda item 4.1. Standards/tools

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

29. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to provide guidance on a concept note on further work on methodologies, tools and standards, as contained in annex 6 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, through its MAP 2014, agreed to develop eligibility criteria for PoAs for greater applicability and other deliverables to be elaborated in a concept note.

30. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to adopt the draft standard on determining coverage of data and validity of standardized baselines, as contained in annex 7 to these annotations.

Background: The Board at its seventy-third meeting considered a concept note on the further revision of the standardized baseline regulatory framework. The Board agreed to revise the regulatory documents relevant to standardized baselines, based on their road-testing and lessons learned.

31. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of the date from which a publication of a second monitoring report in a monitoring period will become available.

Background: The Board at its seventy-fifth meeting adopted amendments to regulatory documents to allow the publication of up to two monitoring reports and/or up to two requests for issuance for the same monitoring period. Further at the same meeting it requested the secretariat to inform the public and the Board as soon as possible of the actual date from which second monitoring reports can be published.

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

(i). New methodologies and tools (large-scale)

32. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the recommendation to approve the new consolidated methodology "ACM000XX: Natural gas substitution by biogenic methane produced from the anaerobic digestion of organic waste", as contained in annex 1 to the report of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel. The draft consolidated methodology is based on proposed new methodologies "NM0367: Fossil natural gas substitution by renewable natural gas produced from the anaerobic digestion of organic waste" and "NM0368: Renewable natural gas production from vinasse anaerobic digestion" and is applicable to project activities where organic waste is treated by anaerobic digestion and biogas is upgraded and used to replace natural gas.

Background: The recommendation agreed by the Meth Panel is contained in paragraph 15 of the report of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel, which will be available on the UNFCCC CDM website <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/meth/index.html>>.

33. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel while considering the new consolidated methodology "ACM00XX: Natural gas substitution by biogenic methane produced from the anaerobic digestion of organic waste" identified that the application of this methodology may result in positive upstream leakage emissions from the production of natural gas in the baseline. The Meth Panel, in line with other similar approved methodologies, considered that in cases where, in a year, the leakage emissions are less than zero, they should be considered as zero. The Board may wish to take note that the Meth Panel will work on a concept note on positive leakage and consistency among methodologies on this issue and report back to the Board at a future meeting.

Background: The recommendation agreed by the Meth Panel is contained in paragraph 16 of the report of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel, which will be available on the UNFCCC CDM website <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/meth/index.html>>.

34. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the recommendation to reject the new methodology "NM0370: Consolidated baseline and monitoring methodology for project activities using alternative raw materials that do not contain carbonates for soda ash production".

Background: The recommendation agreed by the Meth Panel is contained in paragraph 17 of the report of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel, which will be available on the UNFCCC CDM website <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/meth/index.html>>.

(ii). Revisions of approved methodologies and tools (large-scale)

35. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the following recommendations to provide responses to requests for revision, as referred to in the Meth Panel report:

- (a) Recommendation to reject the request for revision AM_REV_0251 regarding "ACM0012: Consolidated baseline methodology for GHG emission reductions from waste energy recovery projects, version 04.0.0";
- (b) Recommendation to reject the request for revision REV_TOOL_0003 regarding the "Tool to calculate the emission factor for an electricity system".

Background: The recommendations agreed by the Meth Panel are contained in table 4 in paragraph 21 of the report of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel, which will be available on the UNFCCC CDM website <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/meth/index.html>>. Information on requests for revision to approved methodologies and tools finalized by the Meth Panel for consideration by the Board is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAmethodologies/revisions/pending>> and <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAmethodologies/tools-revisions/pending>> respectively.

36. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the recommendation to approve the revisions to the following approved methodologies and tools as major revisions:

- (a) "AM0091: Energy efficiency technologies and fuel switching in new and existing buildings" as contained in annex 2 to the report of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel. The methodology was adopted at the sixty-first meeting of the Board. This revision has been undertaken as part of the MAP project on "Top-down methodologies using standardized approaches", as in the 2013 workplan of the Meth Panel. The draft revision:

- (i) Expands the applicability to retrofit buildings;
 - (ii) Simplifies sample survey requirements;
 - (iii) Includes and clarifies the application of a modelling approach as an alternative to extensive field data collection;
 - (iv) Addresses issues related to suppressed demand in baseline setting;
 - (v) Changes the title from “Energy efficiency technologies and fuel switching in new buildings” to “Energy efficiency technologies and fuel switching in new and existing buildings”;
- (b) "ACM0008: Abatement of methane from coal mines", as contained in annex 3 to the report of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel. The methodology was last revised at the fifty-fifth meeting of the Board. This revision has been undertaken as part of a top-down work. The draft revision:
 - (i) Expands the applicability of the methodology to cover abandoned mines;
 - (ii) Simplifies the procedure for leakage;
 - (iii) Streamlines the structure of the methodology;
 - (iv) Changes the title from “Consolidated methodology for coal bed methane, coal mine methane and ventilation air methane capture and use for power (electrical or motive) and heat and/or destruction through flaring or flameless oxidation” to “Abatement of methane from coal mines”;
- (c) "ACM0014: Treatment of wastewater”, as contained in annex 4 to the report of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel. The methodology was last revised at the sixty-eighth meeting of the Board. This revision has been undertaken as part of the MAP projects on “Implementation of the programme of activities standards and procedures”, and on "Simplification and streamlining of methodologies", as in the 2013 workplan of the Meth Panel; and to include the provision of suppressed demand, as in the 2012 workplan of the Meth Panel. The draft revision:
 - (i) Introduces provisions for PoA;
 - (ii) Clarifies that the methodology is applicable for domestic wastewater;
 - (iii) Includes an applicability condition related to dewatering and application to land;
 - (iv) Simplifies and streamlines emission reduction calculations;
 - (v) Adds applicable heat scenarios in the baseline and clarifies the section for "baseline emissions from generation and/or consumption of electricity;
 - (vi) Introduces a criterion for suppressed demand scenario and the appropriate methane conversion factor.

Background: Information on the revisions to the methodologies and tools is available under the section “Consideration of revisions of large-scale methodological

standards/tools” in the report of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel, which will be available on the UNFCCC CDM website <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/meth/index.html>>.

(iii). Clarifications (large-scale)

37. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the recommendation to approve the response to requests for clarification AM_CLA_0252 to AM_CLA_0257 and CLA_TOOL_0019 to CLA_TOOL_0020 as prepared by the Meth Panel and referred to in the Meth Panel report.

Background: The recommendations agreed by the Meth Panel are contained in table 6 in paragraph 38 of the report of the 62nd meeting of the Meth Panel, which will be available on the UNFCCC CDM website <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/meth/index.html>>. Information on requests for clarification to approved methodologies and tools finalized by the Meth Panel for consideration by the Board is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAmethodologies/clarifications/pending>>.

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

38. ► **Note:** Due to the proximity of the closing date of the 43rd meeting of the SSC WG to the date of publication of these annotations an addendum will be issued containing the annotations relating to this agenda item.

Agenda item 4.2. Procedures

39. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider an issue related to reimbursement of fees for registration of projects in least developed countries (LDCs).

Background: In accordance with paragraph 11 of annex 1 to the CDM project cycle procedure, no registration fee shall be payable for proposed project activities or PoAs hosted in LDCs. This rule was introduced by the Board at its thirty-seventh meeting in 2008 in response to a CMP request (decision 2/CMP.3, paragraph 31). Prior to the thirty-seventh meeting of the Board, eight projects located in LDCs had paid registration fees. The secretariat has received a submission asking for retroactive applicability of the rule and reimbursement of the registration fees.

Agenda item 4.3. Policy issues

40. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the issue of the effective registration date of CDM project activities, following the resubmission of project documentation.

Background: The Board at its seventy-fifth meeting agreed to defer the discussion relating to the effective registration date of CDM project activities to its seventy-seventh meeting.

41. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider any policy issues triggered by the consideration of registration and issuance cases.

Background: Following a request by the Board, policy issues that come up from the discussions during this meeting may be included for consideration, including policy issues encountered through the experience of the assessment of cases.

Agenda item 5. Relations with forums and other stakeholders

Agenda item 5.1. Designated national authorities

(a). Information on communications and activities related to DNAs

42. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of the activities related to DNAs and to consider the following submission received from a DNA and agree on any actions, as appropriate:

(a) 2013-336-DNA (confidential).

Background: The MAP 2013 provides for a number of capacity-building activities to be undertaken to improve the capacity of DNAs and the regional distribution of the CDM.

Agenda item 5.2. Designated operational entities

(a). Interaction with the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum Chair

43. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to interact with the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum Chair.

Background: The “Modalities and procedures for direct communication with stakeholders” provide for the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum Chair to interact with the Board at each meeting.

(b). Information on communications related to AEs/DOEs

44. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of activities undertaken with regard to applicant entities (AEs) and DOEs and to consider the following submission received from a DOE and agree on any actions, as appropriate:

(a) 2013-330-DOE (confidential).

Background: Following the “Modalities and procedures for direct communication with stakeholders”, the Board and its support structure are to provide avenues for interaction with AEs/DOEs, provision of information and capacity-building, and the secretariat, in consultation with the Chair, shall bring to the attention of the Board communications on policy, methodological issues and administrative issues when they require the attention or further guidance of the Board.

Agenda item 5.3. Communication and activities with stakeholders

(a). External input to items on the agenda of the meeting

45. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of external inputs to the annotated agenda of this Board meeting.

Background: Following the “Modalities and procedures for direct communication with stakeholders”, stakeholders have the opportunity to provide comments on the annotated agenda. Comments received will be posted on the UNFCCC CDM website.

(b). Information on communications related to stakeholders

46. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of activities undertaken with regard to stakeholders and to consider the following submissions received from stakeholders and agree on any actions, as appropriate:
- (a) “Request for clarification on issuance of registered CDM project” submitted by a stakeholder (2013-328-S): requesting clarification regarding CDM requirements on updating of the project implementation status within two years from registration and possible implications of non-compliance within the required timeframe;
 - (b) 2013-315-S submitted by a stakeholder (confidential);
 - (c) 2013-322-S submitted by a stakeholder (confidential);
 - (d) 2013-329-S and 2013-331-S submitted by stakeholders: requesting permission from the Board to allow them to carryout verification by same DOE that carried out validation as the project changed from small-scale to large-scale during the course of implementation.

Background: Following the “Modalities and procedures for direct communication with stakeholders”, the Board and its support structure are required to consult with stakeholders on policy matters that have a significant impact on them, and the secretariat, in consultation with the Chair, shall bring to the attention of the Board communications on policy, methodological issues and administrative issues when they require the attention or further guidance of the Board.

Agenda item 5.4. Interaction with registered observers

47. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to: (a) agree to make itself available for informal briefings with registered observers in the afternoon of the last day of the meeting; and (b) invite members and alternates to share information on events in which they participated.

Background: On the occasion of the previous meeting of the Board, the Chair and other members of the Board met with registered observers for an informal briefing and agreed to continue with such meetings in the afternoon of the last day of its future meetings, unless otherwise indicated.

Agenda item 6. Other matters

48. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider any other business it deems necessary.

Agenda item 7. Conclusion of the meeting

49. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to approve the report of the seventy-seventh meeting.

Background: The Chair will summarize the meeting and adopt the report, including references to any decisions taken.

Annexes to the annotations

- Annex 1 - Draft workplan of the CDM Executive Board for 2014
- Annex 2 - Draft workplan for panels and working groups for 2014
- Annex 3 - Nairobi Framework Partnership workplan 2014
- Annex 4 - Nairobi Framework Partnership 2013 annual report
- Annex 5 - CDM Executive Board decision and documentation framework
- Annex 6 - Concept note on further work on methodologies, tools and standards
- Annex 7 - Draft standard on determining coverage of data and validity of standardized baselines

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