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# Draft CDM Executive Board workplan 2017

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## COVER NOTE

### 1. Procedural background

1. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) requested the CDM Executive Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) to further improve the consistency, efficiency and transparency of its decision-making.
2. The practice of the Board has been to adopt a workplan at the first meeting of the year and thereafter, at each meeting, consider any updates to the workplan. The regular review of the workplan provides the Board with the opportunity to plan, note the status of, and increase the transparency of its work.

### 2. Purpose

3. The draft workplan of the Board for 2017 provides an overview of the issues to be considered by the Board at each meeting during the year. This allows the Board to plan its workload throughout the year, ensuring a balanced workload and an efficient use of meeting time.

### 3. Key issues

4. The products in the draft workplan are based on the agreed “Management plan 2017” (EB92 report, annex 1). Information is provided on the type of products the Board will consider at each meeting, indicating those products that will undergo panel or working group consultation and/or calls for public input. Regular updates on certain areas of work are proposed in between meetings, in order to alleviate the agenda of the meetings of the Board.
5. Concept notes are envisaged in the workplan where direction from the Board is needed on the way forward to implement mandates and, based on that, further products will be added to the workplan.
6. The draft workplan also reflects products that relate to the recent mandates provided by the CMP at its twelfth session through its decision 3/CMP.12. In presenting these products, two areas of work have been highlighted where the secretariat seeks further guidance from the Board; the mandates relate to:
  - (a) CMP request to analyse the overall cost of DOEs, and
  - (b) CMP encouragement to continue work on digitization of forms.
7. The draft workplan does not include two products pending implementation from the 2016 EB work plan (CDM registry procedure and MoC interface) as the secretariat considers these products to have low priority in the context of the Board’s work in 2017. The rationale for excluding the products from the workplan will be presented for the Board’s consideration at EB 93.

**4. Impacts**

8. The regular review and updating of the workplan will ensure efficiency and transparency of the decision-making process and facilitate the management of the Board's workload.

**5. Proposed work and timelines**

9. It is proposed that an updated version of the workplan is considered by the Board at each meeting.

**6. Recommendations to the Board**

10. The secretariat recommends that the Board approve the draft workplan for 2017 and provide guidance as needed.

## 1. CDM Executive Board workplan 2017

1. The table below provides an overview of the workplan of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism for 2017.

**Table 1. CDM Executive Board workplan 2017**

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
<b>Governance and management matters</b>							
Servicing of regulatory body							
Support to the Executive Board	Selection of Chair/Vice Chair for EB	Final					
	Selection of Chairs/Vice Chairs for panels and working groups (WGs)	Final					
	Selection of CDM EB Finance Committee (EBFC) members	Final					
	Calendar of meetings	Final				Final	
	EB workplan	Final	Info	Info	Info	Info	

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
Support to the Executive Board ( <i>cont.</i> )	EB report to CMP			Concept	Final		
	CDM Business Plan / CDM MAP related issues			Info	Concept	Final	Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 18
Servicing of panels/working groups							
Panels and working groups (WGs)	2017 workplans of panels and WGs	Final					
	Panel and WG meeting reports	Final	Final	Final	Final	Final	
	Merging of MP and SSC WG for cost and process efficiency reasons	Concept					EB92 report para. 13
	Selection of panel/WG members		Final				
	Selection of RIT members		Final				
Secretariat-organized interactions							
Global DNA Forum	Interaction with Co-Chairs		Info			Info	

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
DOE/AIE Coordination Forum	Interaction with the Chair	Info	Info	Info	Info	Info	
Accreditation system							
Accreditation system	Assessment planning	Concept (secretariat/ panel/WG joint rec.)					EB92 report para. 49
	Analysis of overall cost for DOEs - report back to CMP.13						Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 6 Further guidance from the Board required.
Market and policy analysis							
Policy analysis and reports	Carbon market and policy update			Info		Info	
Partnerships							
Nairobi Framework	Nairobi Framework Partnership update				Info		
CDM loan scheme	Implementation report of CDM loan scheme	Info			Info		Decision 3/CMP.12, paras. 11-17

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
Regulatory policy improvement							
Sustainable development co-benefits	Improved user-friendliness of the existing sustainable development co-benefits tool			Info			Decision 6/CMP.11, para. 22 EB90 report para. 16
CDM registry	Share of proceeds for administration	Concept		Draft			EB92 report para. 8
Regulatory management							
Regulatory framework management	Revised accreditation procedure	Final	DRAFT				EB92 report para. 47
246 Simplification and streamlining of the CDM	PoA standard, PoA VVS and PoA cycle procedure	Final					Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 5 Decision 6/CMP.11, para. 18 EB92 report paras. 32 and 33
	Revised CDM project standard, validation and verification standard and project cycle	Final					Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 5 EB92 report paras. 32 and 33

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
246 Simplification and streamlining of the CDM ( <i>cont.</i> )	Analysis on streamlining the registration and issuance processes by reviewing the past and current procedures	Info					Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 5 EB91 report para. 21
<b>Rulings</b>							
Project assessments							
Assessment of compliance with CDM requirements relating to project and PoA sub-missions	Consideration of cases for registration, issuance and other project and PoA related sub-missions	Final	Final	Final	Final	Final	
<b>Regulatory matters</b>							
Project assessments							
Requests for post registration changes	Post-registration changes in CDM project activities and PoAs		Concept (secretariat/ panel/WG joint rec.)				EB90 report para. 61



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Methodologies							
110 Further development of standardized baselines framework	Revision of Guidelines for establishment of sector specific standardized baseline				Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)		Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 10 EB89 report para. 37
	Development of standards with a methodological framework for specific project types (energy-efficient appliances for residential application)		Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)				Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 10 EB85 report para. 39
	Development of standards with a methodological framework for specific project types (energy efficiency in buildings)					Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)	Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 10 EB85 report para. 39

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223 Simplification of methodolo- gies	Digitized project and programme design document forms for CDM project activities and PoAs						Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 9 Further guidance from the Board required. Decision 6/CMP.11, para. 14 Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 15 EB87 report para. 35
	Further work on additionality incl. probabilistic approaches for additionality				Final (secretariat/ panel/WG joint rec.)		Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 10 EB90 report para. 50 (a)
					Concept (secretariat/ panel/WG joint rec.)		Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 10 EB90 report para. 50 (b)
	Methodology specific simplified additionality (positive list),		Concept (secretariat/ panel/WG joint rec.)				Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 10 EB92 report para. 42

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
223 Simplification of methodologies <i>(cont.)</i>	Revised methodological tool 02: "Combined tool to identify the baseline scenario and demonstrate additionality"				Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)		Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 10 EB92 report para. 35
	Revised methodological tool 27: "Investment analysis"					Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)	Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 10 EB85 report para. 50
	Consolidated small-scale and microscale additionality tools with updated positive lists				Final (through panel/WG report., prec. by call)		Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 10 EB85 report para. 42 EB87 report para. 49
	Cost-effective approaches for monitoring – Revision to methodologies, tools and regulations		Concept (secretariat/ panel/WG joint rec. through panel/WG report)				Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 8 Decision 6/CMP.11, para. 15 EB92 report para. 34

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
223 Simplification of methodologies ( <i>cont.</i> )	Non-binding best practice examples in the methodologies				Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)	Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)	Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 10 EB83 report para. 32 EB85 report para. 51
	Method to develop fraction of non-renewable biomass (fNRB) values		Final (through panel/WG report)				Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 10 EB90 report para. 58 (c)
	Various top-down revised/new methodologies and tools mandated by the Board				Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)	Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)	Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 10
244 Development of new methodologies to broaden the applicability of the CDM	Use of the CDM in urban sectors					Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)	Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB90 report para. 52

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244 Development of new methodologies to broaden the applicability of the CDM (cont.)	Methodology for lightweight, two- or three-wheeled personal transportation infrastructure				Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)		Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB89 report para. 33 (a)
	Improved operation of public transportation				Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)		Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB89 report para. 33 (b)
	Methodological options for developing 'agriculture CDM'				Final (through panel/WG report prec. by call)		Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB92 report para. 46 EB89 report para. 34
	Methodologies for biofuel activities		Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)			Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)	EB85 report para. 44

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Other methodology related issues	Assessment of whether the exiting approved methodologies have used the principle of discounting emission reductions		Info (panel/WG input)				EB90 report para. 54 (b)
	Requirements in methodology "AM0118: Introduction of low resistivity power transmission line"				Info (through panel/WG report)		EB92 report para. 40
	Revised methodological tool 04: "Emissions from solid waste disposal sites"		Final (through panel/WG report)				EB92 report para. 43

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Communications							
254 Improving the user friendliness of the CDM website	Improving the user-friendliness of the UNFCCC CDM website	Concept					EB92 report para. 13 (b)
Partnerships: CDM as a tool for other uses							
252 Increasing the demand for CERs in the Aviation Sector	Progress report			Info			
253 Increasing voluntary cancellation of CERs	Increasing voluntary cancellation of CERs	Concept		Info			EB92 report para. 13 (a)
Operation and further development of the voluntary cancellation platform	Further development of the platform so as to make it more user-friendly	Concept					EB89 report para. 17

<b>Proj/ Routine</b>	<b>Product</b>	<b>EB93</b>	<b>EB94</b>	<b>EB95</b>	<b>EB96</b>	<b>EB97</b>	<b>Mandates and comments</b>
Use of CDM in climate finance	Support to international climate finance institutions (IFI)		Info		Info		Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 4 EB91 report para. 7
Options for using the CDM as a tool for other uses	Progress report		Info		Info		Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 4

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**Table 2. EB Workplan 2017 <sup>(a)</sup>**

Numbers of items	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97
<b>Concept</b>	6	3	1	2	0
<b>Draft</b>	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Final</b>	11	8	2	12	10
<b>Info</b>	3	6	7	7	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>14</b>

(a) Total of items 2017: 83

## 2. Regular reports to the CDM Executive Board

2. Reports on activities and performance are prepared by the secretariat on a regular basis for consideration of the Board and the general public and are published on the UNFCCC CDM website<sup>1</sup>. Confidential information pertaining to these reports will be provided to the Board via other means, as required.
3. Any member of the Board may request to consider a specific report at the coming meeting after publication, taking into account the deadlines stipulated by the Rules of Procedure of the Board.

**Table 3. Regular reports to the CDM Executive Board**

Frequency	
Regional collaboration centres (RCCs)	Twice a year
Synthesis report of the annual activity reports by DOEs	Once a year
Nairobi Framework update	Once a year
Report on stakeholder communications and impacts	Once a year
Financial resources	Four times a year
Key performance indicators	Once a year

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<sup>1</sup> <<https://cdm.unfccc.int/EB/report/>>.

### Document information

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