

**CDM-EB96-AA-A02**

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# CDM Executive Board workplan 2017

Version 04.0

## **COVER NOTE**

### **1. Procedural background**

1. The CDM Executive Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) at its ninety-third meeting approved the workplan of the Board for 2017 and requested the secretariat to include in future versions of the workplan any new mandates arising from meetings and to provide an update on the status of work at each meeting.
2. This work is in line with the requests of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) to the Board to continue its work to further improve the consistency, efficiency and transparency of its decision-making.

### **2. Purpose**

3. The 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 work throughout the year, ensuring a balanced workload and an efficient use of meeting time.

### **3. Key issues and proposed solutions**

4. Changes to the previous version of the workplan are highlighted and the rationale for changes is also provided in the document.
5. 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.

### **4. Impacts**

6. 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**

7. The secretariat includes any new mandates arising from the meetings and provides an update on the status of work at each meeting of the Board.

### **6. Recommendations to the Board**

8. The secretariat recommends that the Board take note of the updated workplan and provide comments, as appropriate.

## 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	Concept				
	Selection of panel/WG members		Final				
	Selection of RIT members		Final				
Secretariat-organized interactions							
Global DNA Forum	Interaction with Co-Chairs		Info		Info		

<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>
DOE/AIE Coordination Forum	Interaction with the Chair	Info	Info	Info	Info	Info	
<b>Accreditation system</b>							
Accreditation system	Assessment planning	Concept (secretariat/ panel/WG joint rec.)					
	Analysis of overall cost for DOEs - report back to CMP.13				Concept (panel/WG input)		Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 6
<b>Market and policy analysis</b>							
Policy analysis and reports	Carbon market and policy update			Info		Info	
<b>Partnerships</b>							
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
CDM registry	Share of proceeds for administration	Concept		Concept			
Regulatory management							
Regulatory framework management	Revised accreditation procedure	Final					
	Revised terms of reference of the support structure of the CDM EB			Draft			EB95 report annex 1
	Revised Glossary: CDM terms		Draft				
	Amendments to CDM project cycle procedures				Final		EB95 report para. 6

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
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
	Revised CDM project standard, validation and verification standard and project cycle	Final					Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 5
	Analysis on streamlining the registration and issuance processes by reviewing the past and current procedures	Info					Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 5

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
<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 submissions	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
<b>Methodologies</b>							
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)		EB89 report para. 37



Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
110 Further development of standardized baselines framework (cont.)	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)		Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)	Final (through panel report, prec. by call)	EB85 report para. 39 EB94 report para. 35  MP74-EC01, annex 1
	Development of standards with a methodological framework for specific project types (energy efficiency in buildings)					Final (through panel report, prec. by call)	EB85 report para. 39
223 Simplification of methodologies	Digitized project and programme design document forms for CDM project activities and PoAs		Info	Info	Info		Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 9 Decision 6/CMP.11, para. 14 Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 15 EB94 report para. 32

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
223 Simplification of methodologies (cont.)	Further work on additionality incl. probabilistic approaches for additionality				Final (secretariat/ panel/WG joint rec.)		EB90 report para. 50 (a)  Pending EB96 guidance.
					Concept (secretariat/ panel/WG joint rec.)		EB90 report para. 50 (b)
	Methodology specific simplified additionality (positive list)		Concept (secretariat/ panel/WG joint rec.)				
	Revised methodological TOOL 02: "Combined tool to identify the baseline scenario and demonstrate additionality"				Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)		EB92 report para. 35
	Revised methodological TOOL 27: "Investment analysis"					Final (through panel report, prec. by call)	EB85 report para. 50

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
223 Simplification of methodologies (cont.)	Consolidated small-scale and microscale additionality tools with updated positive lists		Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)		Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)		EB85 report para. 42 EB87 report para. 49  Finalized at EB94.
	Cost-effective approaches for monitoring – Revision to methodologies, tools and regulations		Concept (secretariat/ panel/WG joint rec.)		Final (through panel report)	Final (secretariat/ panel joint rec., prec. by call)	Decision 3/CMP.12, para. 8 Decision 6/CMP.11, para. 15 EB92 report para. 34 EB94 report para. 34 part 1  MP73 report annexes 9-13
	Non-binding best practice examples in the methodologies				Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)	Final (through panel report, prec. by call)	EB83 report para. 32 EB85 report para. 51  MP73 report para. 44: MP agreed to continue work.
	Method to develop fraction of non-renewable biomass (fNRB) values				Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)		EB90 report para. 58 (c)

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
223 Simplification of methodologies (cont.)	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)	Final (through panel report, prec. by call)	
244 Development of new methodologies to broaden the applicability of the CDM	Use of the CDM in urban sectors					Final (through panel report, prec. by call)	Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB90 report para. 52 EB94 report para. 34 part 2
	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 report, prec. by call)	Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB89 report para. 33 (b)

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244 Development of new methodologies to broaden the applicability of the CDM (cont.)	Methodological options for developing 'agriculture CDM'				Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)		Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB89 report para. 34 EB92 report para. 46
	Methodologies for biofuel activities		Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)			Final (through panel report, prec. by call)	EB85 report para. 44
Other methodology related issues	Assessment of whether the exiting approved methodologies have used the principle of discounting emission reductions		Info (panel/WG input)				
	Requirements in methodology "AM0118: Introduction of low resistivity power transmission line"				Info (through panel/WG report)	Info (through panel report)	EB92 report para. 40  MP73 report para. 41: MP agreed to continue work.

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
Other methodology related issues (cont.)	Revised methodological tool 04: "Emissions from solid waste disposal sites"		Final (through panel/WG report, prec. by call)				
	Monitoring provision in methodology "ACM0023: Introduction of an efficiency improvement technology in a boiler"					Final (through panel report, prec. by call)	EB94 report para. 31  MP73 report para. 28: No changes required.
	Revised methodology "ACM0019: N2O abatement from nitric acid production"					Final (through panel report, prec. by call)	EB94 report para. 40

Proj / Routine	Product	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97	Mandates and comments
Communications							
254 Improving the user friendliness of the CDM website	Improving the user-friendliness of the UNFCCC CDM website	Concept				Concept	
Stakeholder communications	Approach for handling expressions of interest from DNAs to develop top-down standardized baselines				Concept		EB94 report para. 51
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		Concept			

<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>
Operation and further development of the voluntary cancellation platform	Further development of the platform so as to make it more user-friendly	Concept					
Use of CDM in climate finance	Support to international climate finance institutions (IFI)		Concept		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



**Table 2. EB workplan 2017 number of items<sup>(a)</sup>**

Numbers of items	EB93	EB94	EB95	EB96	EB97
<b>Concept</b>	6	4	3	5	1
<b>Draft</b>	0	1	1	0	0
<b>Final</b>	11	9	2	12	<del>45</del> <b>13</b>
<b>Info</b>	3	5	8	<del>9</del> <b>8</b>	<del>3</del> <b>4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<del>26</del> <b>25</b>	<del>49</del> <b>18</b>

(a) Total of items 2017: ~~98~~ **96**

## 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
Financial resources	Four times a year
Regional collaboration centres (RCCs)	Twice a year
Voluntary cancellation platform update	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
Key performance indicators	Once a year

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

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