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CDM Executive Board workplan 2014

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1. Procedural background

1. The CDM Executive Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) at its seventy-seventh meeting approved the workplan of the Board for 2014 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 2014 provides an overview of the issues to be considered by the Board at each meeting. This allows planning the workload of the Board and ensures efficient use of meeting time. The document indicates the work planned for the Board at the meetings in 2014, based on the agreed CDM management plan (CDM-MAP) 2014. The workplan also provides information on the products which will undergo panel or working group consultation as well as calls for public input.

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.

4. Impacts

5. The updated workplan will ensure efficiency and transparency of the decision-making process and facilitate the Board's management of its workload.

5. Proposed work and timelines

6. The secretariat includes in the workplan any new mandates arising from each meeting and provides an update on the status of work at the following meeting.

6. Recommendations to the Board

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

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1. CDM Executive Board workplan 2014

1. The table below provides the overview of the workplan of the Board for 2014.

Table 1. CDM Executive Board workplan 2014

Activity		Product	EB77	EB78	EB79	EB80	EB81	EB82	2015	Comments
Governance and management matters										
SMC	Development and approval of the 2014 CDM Management Plan (CDM MAP) and two-year Business Plan (BP)	Information on projected future income and expenditure			Info	Info				Secretariat and CDM EB Finance Committee (EBFC) recommend to consider the financial information along with the mid-year review of the CDM MAP.
		Mid year review CDM MAP 2014				Info/Final				
		CDM Business Plan					Final			
		CDM MAP 2015						Final		
GOV	Supporting the efficient operation of the Executive Board (EB)	Selection of Chair/Vice Chair for EB, panels and working groups (WGs)	Final							
		Selection of CDM EB Finance Committee (EBFC) members	Final			Final				

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GOV cont.	Supporting the efficient operation of the Executive Board (EB) cont.	Workplan 2014 of the EBFC		Final						Further work will be determined when concept note is considered.
		Selection of panel/WG members	Final							
		EB strategy planning session					Prior to meeting			
		Calendar of meetings	Final					Final		
		EB workplan 2014	Final	Info	Info	Info	Info	Info		
		Alignment of Oath of Service and Code of conduct				Concept				
GOV	Report to the CMP	EB report to CMP				Concept	Final			
GOV	Supporting the efficient operations of panels and WGs	2014 workplans of panels and WGs	Final		Info			Info		
		Panel and WG meeting reports	Final		Final		Final	Final		

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GOV cont.	Supporting the efficient operations of panels and WGs cont.	Modalities for agreement on proposals between secretariat and panels/WGs		Final						The performance evaluation system is to be agreed prior the implementation.
		Selection and performance evaluation system of members of panels and WGs and experts included in the CDM rosters			Final					
		Reporting on performance of panel/WG members and experts included in the CDM rosters			Info	Info				
		Review of the roles of the panels and WGs			Concept					
		Review of the terms of reference of the support structure of the CDM EB						Final		

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GOV cont.	Supporting the efficient operations of panels and WGs cont.	Identify practical means for DOEs to conduct the examination to qualify DOE personnel, as required by the CDM accreditation standard		Info	Info (through panel report)					EB78 report para 9
GOV	Global DNA Forum	Interaction with the Global DNA Forum through its co-chairs			Info			Info		CMP.9 para 9
	DOE/AIE Coordination Forum Chair	DOE/AIE Coordination Forum Chair interaction	Info	Info	Info	Info	Info	Info		
SMC	Market and policy reports	Carbon market and policy update	Info		Info		Info			
QPM	Impact and benefits of the international (UNFCCC) carbon mechanisms	Assessment report on the benefits of the CDM				Info				Elements of the assessment/analysis will be integrated in the relevant products of the Board throughout the year.
PIC	Communication and outreach	Communications workplan			Concept	Concept				EB78 report para 7

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ACCR	Entity performance monitoring (semi-annual reports)	Analysis reports			Info			Info		
	Entity performance monitoring system	Synthesis report of the annual activity reports by DOEs						Info		
ERR	Nairobi Framework	Nairobi Framework Partnership workplan 2014	Info							CMP.9 para 24
	CDM loan scheme contract administration	Implementation report of CDM loan scheme					Info			
	Regional collaboration centres	Report on operations			Info	Info		Info		
150	Governance management related to the EB	EB decision and documentation framework	Final					Info		

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222	Improve the management of the regulatory framework and enhance the clarity, consistency and user-friendliness of regulations	Report on the development of internal procedures and standards for regulations management				Info		Info		
Rulings (case-specific matters)										
REG ISS	Assessment of compliance with CDM requirements relating to project submissions	Consideration of review cases for issuance, registration, programmes of activities (PoAs) and other project-related submissions	Final	Final	Final	Final	Final	Final		
Regulatory matters										
REG	Project registration	Effective registration date of CDM project activities	Info							
		Review of effective registration dates				Draft				

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REG ISS	Assessment of compliance to CDM requirements relating to project submissions	Policy issues related to cases	Final	Final	Final	Final	Final	Final		
		Number of non-active registered CDM project activities and PoAs				Info				
METH	Effective implementation of procedures on consideration of proposed new methodologies (PNMs), revisions and clarifications	Consideration of methodology submissions	Final (through panel/ WG reports)		Final through panel/ WG reports)		Final (through panel/ WG reports)	Final (through panel/ WG reports)		
		Clarification for when to request for revision, clarification or deviation to an approved methodology		Final						

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METH cont.		Recommendation to CMP.10 for the revision of provisions related to request for revision of methodologies and tools					Draft			EB78 report para 34
		Revision of "Procedure for development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines"					Draft			
		Revision of "Procedure for development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and tools"							Draft	

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METH cont.		Procedures for the submission and consideration of country-specific positive lists of technologies					Draft (SSC WG input)			
GOV	Maintenance of the accreditation and methodology processes	Secretariat to review the application of accreditation fee				Concept				Further work will be determined when concept note is considered.
135	Review and upgrade of the CDM registry	CDM registry procedure					Final			
110	Further development and implementation of standardized baselines	Report on the results of road testing the current approaches			Info (Panel/ WG input)		Info (Panel/ WG input)			MP63 and MP64
		Revised guidelines for the establishment of sector-specific standardized baselines (SBs)		Concept	Final (prec. by call and Panel/ WG consideration)		Final (prec. by call and Panel/ WG consideration)			Proposal (or options) agreed by the secretariat and the Meth Panel. Meth Panel and secretariat did not agree on a joint proposal, further MP consideration required.

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110 cont.	Inclusion of the facilities with CDM registered projects in developing sector-specific SBs			Concept					EB78 report para 23
	Revised QA/QC guidelines			Draft (prec. by call and Panel/ WG consideration)		Final			Proposal (or options) agreed by the secretariat and the Meth Panel
	Data collection for SBs			Info			Info		EB78 mandate of top-down SBs already covers this work.
	The development of two standards with a methodological framework for two specific project types			Concept (panel/ WG input)		Concept (panel/ WG input)	Final (preceded by call and through panel/WG report)	Final (preceded by call and through panel/WG report)	Further consideration by the Meth Panel required.
	Top-down development of three standardized baselines		Concept						Further work will be considered through the process of SBs.

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110 cont.		Further work on standardized baselines including country-specific thresholds on baseline and additionality			Concept (panel/ WG input)					CMP.9 para 13 Further work will be determined when concept note is considered.
		Selection of standardized baseline vis-a-vis CDM methodology		Concept						
		Revision to CDM Project Standard (PS), Validation and Verification Standard (VVS), Project Cycle Procedure (PCP) and PNM guidelines to include elements of SBs		Final	Final					EB78 report para 26
		Development of standard for coverage of data and validity of SBs	Final (panel/ WG input)							

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110 cont.		Development of methodological tool for standardized baselines in transport sector			Final (through panel/ WG report, prec. by call)		Final (through panel/ WG report, preceded by call)			Meth Panel consideration concluded at MP63.
		Revision to the "Procedure for the development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines" for inclusion of procedure on deviations"					Draft	Final		
160	Design and implementation of CCS standards and procedures	Package of documents due to introduction of provisions related to carbon dioxide capture and storage project activities		Final (WG input)						

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149	Improved transparency of sustainable development co-benefits	Evaluation of the sustainable development tool		Info			Concept (prec. by call)			CMP.9 para 7
219	Development of best practice guidance for monitoring A/R projects	A field manual for measurement of forest carbon pools for monitoring of A/R project activities						Info (panel/ WG input)		
223	Simplification and streamlining of methodologies tools, and standards	Further work on methodologies, tools and standards	Concept	Concept						EB75 mandate and added to this project, as elaborated at EB 78
		Flexibility in timing of verification of A/R project activities			Concept					
		Simplification and streamlining of 20 methodologies	Final (through panel WG report, prec. by call)		Final (through panel/ WG report, prec. by call)		Final (through panel/ WG report, preceded by call)	Final (through panel/ WG report, preceded by call)		

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223 cont.	Development of eligibility criteria for PoAs for greater applicability			Final (through panel/ WG report, prec. by call)		Final (through panel/ WG report, preceded by call)	Final (through panel/ WG report, preceded by call)		EB78 report para 31
	Batched issuance requests for a monitoring period of a PoA		Concept (panel/ WG input)			Draft			
	Feasibility of further simplification of requirements					Info			
	Revised PS, VVS, PCP due to batched issuance requests PoA					Final			
	Revision of PoA standard				Draft (panel/WG input)	Final			
	Revision of PS due to revision of PoA standard					Final			
	Thresholds for micro-scale CPAs		Concept						CMP.9 para 11, 12.

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223 cont.		Alternative approaches to additionality		Concept						CMP.9 para 14. EB 78 agreed that the concept note is not necessary.
		Improved PoA regulations including for multi-country PoAs		Concept			Info			CMP.9 para 19. EB78 report para 33 Further work will be covered through the revision of PS, VVS, and PCP.
		Analysis on lessons learned from developing standardized approaches for additionality demonstration						Concept (panel/ WG input)		EB 78 agreed that the concept note is not necessary.
		Revised sampling standard				Draft (panel/WG input)				EB78 report annex 8
224	Simplification of the validation process for specific project activities	Simplification of the validation process			Concept (panel/ WG input, prec. by call)					CMP.9 para 10, 18 Further work will be determined when concept note is considered. A call will be launched after the Board's consideration.

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224 cont.		Revised PS, VVS, PCP				Final				
225	New project in the same physical geographical location at which a project whose crediting period has expired existed	Guidance for the new projects in the same physical geographical location at which a project whose crediting period has expired existed			Concept (prec. by Panel/ WG consi- deration)		Concept (prec. by Panel/ WG consi- deration)			CMP. 9 para 16, 17 Proposal (or options) agreed by the secretariat and the Meth Panel. Meth Panel and secretariat did not yet agree on a joint proposal, further MP consideration required.
		Revision of PS and VVS					Final (panel/ WG input)			
180	Revision and improvement of the PS, VVS and PCP	Revised PS, VVS, PCP			Draft (prec. by call)		Final			Direction required before final consideration of the PCP/VVS/PS at EB81.
		Permanent changes (biomass and hydro projects)			Concept					
		Double issuance		Concept						
		Global/local stakeholder consultation				Concept				

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216	Application of E- for additionality demonstration	Revision and development of the draft policy guideline and revision of Combined Tool and Additionality Tool		Draft	Draft		Final (prec. by call)			EB78 report para 29
		Implications of Board's previous decisions				Final (prec. by call)				
218	Development of specific simplified project-cycle forms	Project-cycle forms					Info	Info		
220	Feedback mechanism for input from stakeholders	Procedure for direct communication				Final				
		Report on the implementation of feedback mechanism for stakeholder input					Info			

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227	Local stakeholder consultation	Public availability of practices of DNAs				Info				CMP.9 para 20 Secretariat to inform DNAs, compile practices and provide information to the Board.
		Technical assistance to DNAs			If triggered by a DNA request - Concept					No DNA request received.
228	Development of guiding tools to assist DNAs in monitoring sustainable development benefits	Guiding tools for the monitoring of sustainable development benefits			If triggered by a DNA request - Concept					CMP.9 para 8 No DNA request received.
226	Analysis of the net mitigation potential of the CDM	Options for achieving net mitigation via the CDM		Concept					Concept	EB78 report para 5

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MAT	Review the concept of materiality in the verification process and potential for further application in the CDM					Concept				CMP.9 para 21 Further work will be determined when concept note is considered.
Demand Side Initiative	Engagement with compliance and voluntary markets			Concept	Concept					Further work will be determined when concept note is considered. EB 78 report para 6

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Concept	1	44 10	6 8	5	4 3	4 0	1
Draft	0	1	2 3	2 3	2 5	0	1
Final	13	7	8 9	6	17	44 10	1
Info	4	4	44 9	8 9	7 9	12	0
Total	18	23 22	27 29	24 23	27 34	24 22	3

2. Quarterly reports to the CDM Executive Board

1. Quarterly reports are published on the UNFCCC CDM website¹. Confidential information pertaining to quarterly reports will be provided to the Board via other means, as required.
2. The reports will be made available at the end of the indicated month.

Table 2. Quarterly reports to the CDM Executive Board

Performance management	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4
Progress against the CDM Management Plan	April 2014	July 2014	October 2014	January 2015
Compliance with process-related timelines	April 2014	July 2014	October 2014	January 2015
DOE performance monitoring	The DOE performance monitoring reports are published in accordance with the reporting frequency specified in the DOE performance monitoring procedure (section 7.2).			
Financial resources	April 2014	July 2014	October 2014	January 2015
Stakeholder interaction				
Activities with DOEs/AEs	April 2014	July 2014	October 2014	January 2015
Activities with stakeholders	April 2014	July 2014	October 2014	January 2015
Activities with DNAs	April 2014	July 2014	October 2014	January 2015
Regional distribution				
Work by the secretariat and other organizations to expand the reach of the CDM	April 2014	July 2014	October 2014	January 2015
Market and policy developments				
Key developments in the carbon market	April 2014	July 2014	October 2014	January 2015
Communication and outreach				
Activities of the Board and secretariat related to communication and outreach	April 2014	July 2014	October 2014	January 2015

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

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