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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 justification¹.

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-first meeting.

Background: At its last meeting, the Board agreed on items to be included on the provisional agenda for its seventy-first meeting. The proposed agenda was transmitted to the Board on 9 January 2013 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: (a) welcome new members and alternates; (b) elect its Chair, for the year 2013, from among the members from Parties included in Annex I, and its Vice-Chair from among the members from Parties not included in Annex I; and (c) take note of their oaths of service.

Background: 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.

The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) at its eighth session, in accordance with paragraphs 7 and 8 of the Modalities and procedures for a clean development mechanism (CDM modalities and procedures) (decision 3/CMP.1), has elected to the Board the following members and alternate members:

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).

- (a) Mr. Victor Kabengele (second term) as member and Mr. Kadio Ahossane (first term) as alternate member from the African regional group;
- (b) Mr. Antonio Goldman (second term) as member and Mr. Eduardo Calvo (second term) as alternate member from the Latin America and Caribbean regional group.

Six nominations for the member and alternate member seats of the Asia-Pacific regional group, the Western Europe and Other regional group, and Parties included in Annex I constituencies were not received at the eighth session of the CMP. Pursuant to rule 4 of the Rules of procedure of the Board, the following current members and alternate members on these seats shall remain in office until their successors are elected:

- (a) Mr. Shafqat Kakakhel as member and Mr. Hussein Badarin as alternate member from the Asia-Pacific regional group;
- (b) Mr. Martin Hession as member and Mr. Thomas Bernheim as alternate member from the Western Europe and Other regional group;
- (c) Mr. Kazunari Kainou as member and Mr. Peer Stiansen as alternate member from Parties included in Annex I.

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 have 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.

At the first Board meeting of each calendar year, i.e. at this seventy-first meeting, the Board shall elect a Chair and a Vice-Chair from among its members. 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 from a Party included in Annex I and a member from a Party not included in Annex I. As of 30 January 2013, the newly elected Chair shall therefore be from a Party included in Annex I and the Vice-Chair from a Party not included in Annex I.

4. ► **Action:** The Board may also wish to welcome the new alternate member of the Board, Mr. Christopher Faris, who assumes the seat from Parties included in Annex I that had been vacated after the resignation of Ms. Pauline Kennedy.

Background: Ms. Pauline Kennedy resigned from her function as Board alternate member on 3 December 2012. 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 alternate member, Mr. Christopher Faris, has been appointed for the remainder of the term.

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

Background: 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

6. ► **Action:** Following the eighth session of the CMP, the Board may wish to consider the following decisions related to the CDM:

- (a) 1/CMP.8 “Outcome of the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol”;
- (b) 5/CMP.8 “Guidance relating to the clean development mechanism”.

Background: The CMP, at its eighth session, requested the secretariat and the relevant bodies under the Kyoto Protocol to take all necessary measures to facilitate the implementation of the decision 1/CMP.8.

At the same session, the CMP took note of the annual report (2011–2012) of the Board and adopted decision 5/CMP.8, “Guidance relating to the clean development mechanism”. In this decision, the CMP stressed the need to ensure the continued success of the CDM after the first commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol with regard to its contribution to the achievement of the objective of the Convention and provided various mandates to the Board.

The decisions adopted by the CMP are available on the UNFCCC website at <<http://unfccc.int/2860.php#decisions>>.

7. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take stock on the situation of the CDM and consider the direction of the future work of the Board.

Background: The Board at its last meeting agreed to focus the seventy-first meeting on strategic matters and to agree on the direction of the future work of the Board by, inter alia, taking stock of the situation of the CDM in light of the beginning of the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol and the outcomes of the eighth session of the CMP.

8. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the revised draft CDM two-year business plan and management plan 2013–2014, as contained in annex 1 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, at its seventieth meeting, considered the draft CDM two-year business plan and CDM-MAP for 2013–2014 and requested the secretariat to prepare a revised draft business plan and CDM-MAP, reflecting a five per cent decrease in overall budget for 2013 (vis-à-vis 2012) and taking into account the outcomes of the eighth session of the CMP. The Board also requested the secretariat to assess further opportunities to reduce expenditure in 2014 and in the longer term, and to make proposals to the Board at its next meeting.

9. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to further consider the recommendations of the CDM Policy Dialogue in the context of deciding which activities to include in the CDM-MAP 2013–2014.

Background: At its previous meeting, the Board considered a concept note on the recommendations of the CDM Policy Dialogue (annex 1, EB 70 annotated agenda) and took note of the analysis contained in it. The Board decided at that meeting to further consider the recommendations in the context of deciding which activities to include in the CDM-MAP 2013–2014 as well as to consider the remaining recommendations at its next meeting, with a view to making adjustments to the CDM-MAP 2013–2014 as needed.

10. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider a concept note on process for review of the CDM modalities and procedures, as contained in annex 2 to these annotations, and the submissions received from stakeholders on possible changes to the CDM modalities and procedures, and to hold initial discussions regarding its recommendations to be provided to the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its thirty-eighth session.

Background: The CMP, at its eighth session, requested the Board to submit recommendations on possible changes to the CDM modalities and procedures drawing upon the experience gained by the Board, the secretariat and stakeholders in the implementation of the CDM for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its thirty-eighth session. The call for public inputs on possible changes to the CDM modalities and procedures was open from 17 December 2012 until 23 January 2013.

Agenda item 2.3. Performance management

11. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of the quarterly report on the implementation of the CDM-MAP 2012.

Background: The Board, through its CDM-MAP 2012, agreed to consider a status report on the overall work of the Board in 2012. The Board has also agreed that, for meeting efficiency, such reports would be made available as part of quarterly reports published on the UNFCCC CDM website.

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

12. ► **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 2013.

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.

13. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider a presentation on the status of submissions of requests for registration and issuance.

Background: In the light of the end of the first commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol, the secretariat has prepared a presentation on the submissions received before the end of 2012.

14. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to agree on the calendar of meetings of the Board and its panels and working groups for 2013.

Background: The Board, at its seventieth meeting, agreed on the tentative calendar of meetings of the Board in 2013 and the dates of the first meetings of the year of the panels and working groups. Other meetings of the panels and working groups were to be scheduled, taking into account the CDM-MAP 2013 to be considered at this meeting of the Board.

Agenda item 3. Relations with stakeholders

Agenda item 3.1. Communication with stakeholders

15. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider 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 to the annotated agenda. Comments received will be posted on the UNFCCC CDM website.

Agenda item 3.2. Interaction with registered observers

16. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to agree to make itself available for informal briefings with registered observers in the afternoon of the last day of the meeting.

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 4. Other matters

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

Agenda item 5. Conclusion of the meeting

18. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to approve the report of the seventy-first 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 CDM two-year business plan and management plan 2013–2014

Annex 2 - Concept note on process for review of CDM modalities and procedures

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