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COVER NOTE

1. Procedural background

1. The mandates of the panels and working groups are determined by their terms of reference, the rules of procedure of the Board, and additional guidance provided by the Executive Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) of the clean development mechanism (CDM), including annually approved workplans developed within the context of the CDM management plan 2016.
2. The practice of the Board is to adopt the draft workplan of the panel and working groups at the first meeting of the year, in order that the mandated work for these bodies in 2016 is clear and transparent.

2. Purpose

3. The draft workplan of the panels and working groups for 2016 provide an overview of the expected tasks by the panels and working groups during the year. This allows to plan the workload throughout the year, ensuring a balanced workload and an efficient use of meeting time.

3. Key issues and proposed solutions

4. This draft workplan of the panels and working groups for 2016 outlines the expected tasks to support the Board and provides details of the activities, expected outputs and timelines, in order to finalize recommendations and deliverables for the Board's consideration in accordance with the 2016 workplan for the Board.
5. The draft workplan includes activities for the following panels and working groups:
 - (a) the Methodologies Panel;
 - (b) the Small-Scale Working Group;
 - (c) the Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group;
 - (d) the Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage Working Group; and
 - (e) the Accreditation Panel.
6. The draft workplan of the panels and working groups is based on the proposed workplan of the Board, the approved CDM management plan 2016 and the recent mandates provided by the CMP at its eleventh session. In addition the draft has been aligned to the structure of the workplan of the Board.

4. Impacts

7. The draft workplan will serve as a meeting management tool and as the basis for monitoring the progress of work undertaken by panels and working groups in 2016.

5. Subsequent work and timelines

8. Once approved the workplan of the panels and working groups for 2016 will be updated continuously and the status report on implementation of the workplan will be reported to the panels and working groups and their respective chairs and vice-chairs.

6. Recommendations to the Board

9. The secretariat recommends that the Board approve the draft workplan of the panels and working groups.

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1. Introduction

1. The support structure of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (CDM) (hereinafter referred to as the Board) consisting of: the Accreditation Panel (CDM-AP), the Methodologies Panel (MP), the Small-Scale Working Group (SSC WG), the Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group (A/R WG) and the Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage Working Group (CCS WG) is established under the Board to assist in the performance of its functions related to the accreditation system (CDM-AP) and methodological issues concerning CDM project activities (MP, SSC WG, A/R WG and CCS WG). The mandates of the panels and working groups are determined by their terms of reference, the rules of procedure of the Board, and additional guidance provided by the Board.
2. This workplan of the panels and working groups for 2016 outlines the expected tasks to support the Board and has been developed within the context of the CDM management plan 2016. The workplan includes the routine operation activities to be performed by the panels and working groups as well as mandates provided by the Board.

2. Methodologies Panel workplan for 2016

Activity	Product	MP 69	MP 70	MP 71	EB consideration	Comments
Requests for programme of activities (PoA) post registration changes (PRC)	Input to the changes to registered CDM programme of activities	Input	Input	Input	N/A	Input as applicable upon request by the secretariat. CDM-EB65-A32-PROC
Requests for project PRC	Input to the changes to registered CDM project activity	Input	Input	Input	N/A	Input as applicable upon request by the secretariat. CDM-EB65-A32-PROC
Processing of requests for clarification, revision, new submissions and micro-scale additionality	Proposed new methodologies (PNMs) submitted by proponents	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received. CDM-EB70-A36-PROC
	Requests for revision of approved methodologies or methodological tools submitted by proponents	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received. CDM-EB70-A36-PROC

Activity	Product	MP 69	MP 70	MP 71	EB consideration	Comments
	Requests for clarification of approved methodologies or methodological tools submitted by proponents (bottom-up process) (including fast track clarification by the panels/WGs)	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation Based on submissions received. CDM-EB70-A36-PROC
Evaluation of standardized baselines	Top-down standardized baselines (TSB) and proposed standardized baseline (PSB) submissions from designated national authorities (DNAs)	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received by designated members of the panel or whole panel. CDM-EB63-A28-PROC
	Proposed revised standardized baselines submissions from DNAs	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received by designated members of the panel or whole panel. CDM-EB63-A28-PROC
	Requests for clarification of standardized baselines submitted by enquirer	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received by designated members of the panel or whole panel. CDM-EB63-A28-PROC
	Proposed updated standardized baselines submissions from DNAs (bottom-up process)	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received by designated members of the panel or whole panel. CDM-EB63-A28-PROC

Activity	Product	MP 69	MP 70	MP 71	EB consideration	Comments
Stakeholder communications	Recommendations on responses to the letters to the Board	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendations on responses to the letters to the Board as referred to the panel or working group by the secretariat. CDM-EB62-A15-PROC
110: Further development of the standardized baselines framework	Revision of the SB guidelines for the establishment of sector specific standardized baseline		Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	Joint recommendation CDM-EB82-A06
	Report on the road testing of current approaches in the SB guidelines			Input on information note	EB 92	CDM-EB82-A06
	Development of two standards with a methodological framework for two specific project types	Discussion	Recommendation		EB 90	Joint recommendation CDM-EB82-A06
	Further work to define rules for the determination of country-specific thresholds for specific project types or sectors of under-represented countries		Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	Joint recommendation Decision 3/CMP.9, para. 13 CDM-EB82-A06
	Options to develop sector-wide emission factors		Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	Joint recommendation CDM-EB82-A06

Activity	Product	MP 69	MP 70	MP 71	EB consideration	Comments
223: Simplification of methodologies including digitization to reduce transaction costs	Simplified inclusion process for activities that satisfy microscale thresholds and are considered automatically additional	Input on concept note			EB 89	Decision 6/CMP.11, para. 19
	Probabilistic approaches for additionality and criteria for negative lists	Discussion	Input on concept note		EB 90	EB85 report para. 38
	Gap analysis and revision of the combined tool		Recommendation		EB 90	EB85 report para. 37
	Revised methodological tool: Investment analysis		Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 90 EB 92	EB85 report para. 50
	Non-binding best practice examples in methodologies	Recommendation	Discussion	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 92	Tool 06: Project emissions from flaring” EB83 report para. 32 EB85 report para. 51
	Cost-effective approaches for monitoring – Revision to methodologies, tools and regulations	Discussion	Recommendation (1)	Recommendation (2) (by electronic means)	EB 90 EB 91	1. Revision of methodologies/tools 2. Work on guidance/standards 6/CMP.11, para. 15
	Revised methodological tool: Project and leakage emissions for biomass	Discussion	Recommendation		EB 90	EB87 report para. 47
	Top-down development of new methodology “AM00XX: Emission reduction in cement clinker sector” in conjunction PSB0002				TBD	The work will progress once feedback from the DNA on PSB0002 is received. Call for input was already launched. CDM-EB82-A08
	Revisions to include		Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	AM0082 and ACM0006;

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	reference to the revised methodological tool “Project and leakage emissions for biomass”					Methodology revisions after the revision of the tool EB83 report para. 44
	Identification of other renewable energy technologies that can be included in the positive list (revision of ACM103 based on ACM002 (isolated grid))	Recommendation			EB 89	EB87 report para. 46
	Revision of ACM0001 ver.15.0: Flaring or use of landfill gas	Discussion	Recommendation		EB 90	EB87 report para. 40
	Analysis of the requirements in methodologies baseline and/or project emissions from refrigerants used in refrigeration and air conditioning equipment	Discussion	Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	AM0060, AM0071, AM0084, AM0091 EB85 report para. 39
244: Development of new methodologies to broaden the applicability of the CDM	Use of the CDM in urban sectors	Concept note			EB 89	Joint recommendation preceded by call Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB82 report para. 40 EB86 report para. 38

Activity	Product	MP 69	MP 70	MP 71	EB consideration	Comments
	Broadly applicable methodology for transport applications	Concept note			EB 89	Joint recommendation preceded by call Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB82 report para. 40 EB86 report para. 39
	Methodological options for developing 'agriculture CDM'	Concept note			EB 89	Joint recommendation preceded by call Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB82 report para. 40 EB86 report para. 36
	Methodologies for biofuel activities		Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	Recommendation MP 71 preceded by call Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB85 report para. 44
	Methodologies for the aviation sector – e-taxiing	Recommendation			EB 89	Recommendation MP 69 preceded by call Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB87 report para. 41
	Consolidated methodology for supply of domestic thermal energy and safe drinking water		Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	Recommendation MP 71 preceded by call CDM-EB82-A07
246 Simplification and streamlining of the CDM	Proposals for simplification and streamlining of the CDM	Input on concept note			EB 89	EB 86 report paras. 10-11
Other methodology related issues	New project activity in a physical or geographical location of an existing CDM project	Recommendation			EB 89	Joint recommendation EB86 report para. 35

3. Small Scale Working Group workplan for 2016

Activity	Product	SSC WG 50	SSC WG 51	SSC WG 52	EB consideration	Comments
Requests for PoA post registration changes (PRC)	Input to the changes to registered CDM programme of activities	Input	Input	Input	N/A	Input as applicable upon request by the secretariat. CDM-EB65-A32-PROC
Requests for project PRC	Input to the changes to registered CDM project activity	Input	Input	Input	N/A	Input as applicable upon request by the secretariat. CDM-EB65-A32-PROC
Processing of requests for clarification, revision, new submissions and micro-scale additionality	Proposed new methodologies (PNMs) submitted by proponents	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received. CDM-EB70-A36-PROC
	Requests for revision of approved methodologies or methodological tools submitted by proponents	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received. CDM-EB70-A36-PROC
	Requests for clarification of approved methodologies or methodological tools submitted by proponents (bottom-up process) (including fast track clarification by the panels/WGs)	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received. CDM-EB70-A36-PROC
	Proposed specific renewable energy technologies/measures for automatic additionality on microscale CDM project	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendations to the Board by designated members of the SSC WG or the whole SSC WG. CDM-EB65-A33-PROC

Activity	Product	SSC WG 50	SSC WG 51	SSC WG 52	EB consideration	Comments
	activities submitted by DNAs					
	Determination of fraction of non-renewable biomass (fNRB) factors for Parties with 10 or fewer registered CDM project activities as of 31 December 2010	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendations to the Board of default values for application in specific countries. EB 67, para. 93
Evaluation of standardized baselines	Top-down standardized baselines (TSB) and proposed standardized baseline (PSB) submissions from designated national authorities (DNAs)	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received by designated members of the working group or whole group. CDM-EB63-A28-PROC
	Proposed revised standardized baselines submissions from DNAs	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received by designated members of the working group or whole group. CDM-EB63-A28-PROC
	Requests for clarification of standardized baselines submitted by enquirer	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received by designated members of the working group or whole group. CDM-EB63-A28-PROC
	Proposed updated standardized baselines submissions from DNAs (bottom-up process)	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendation based on submissions received by designated members of the working group or whole

Activity	Product	SSC WG 50	SSC WG 51	SSC WG 52	EB consideration	Comments
						group. CDM-EB63-A28-PROC
Stakeholder communications	Recommendations on responses to the letters to the Board	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 89 EB 90 EB 92	Recommendations on responses to the letters to the Board as referred to the panel or working group by the secretariat. CDM-EB62-A15-PROC
110: Further development of the standardized baselines framework	Revision of the SB guidelines for the establishment of sector specific standardized baseline		Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	Joint recommendation CDM-EB82-A06
	Report on the road testing of current approaches in the SB guidelines			Input on information note	EB 92	CDM-EB82-A06
	Development of two standards with a methodological framework for two specific project types	Discussion	Recommendation		EB 90	Joint recommendation CDM-EB82-A06
	Further work to define rules for the determination of country-specific thresholds for specific project types or sectors of under-represented countries		Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	Joint recommendation Decision 3/CMP.9, para. 13 CDM-EB82-A06

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	Options to develop sector-wide emission factors		Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	Joint recommendation CDM-EB82-A06
223: Simplification of methodologies including digitization to reduce transaction costs	Simplified inclusion process for activities that satisfy microscale thresholds and are considered automatically additional	Input on concept note			EB 89	Concept note preceded by call Decision 6/CMP.11, para. 19
	Probabilistic approaches for additionality and criteria for negative lists	Discussion	Input on concept note		EB 90	EB85 report para. 38
	Non-binding best practice examples in methodologies		Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	EB83 report para. 32
	Consolidated small-scale and microscale additionality tools with updated positive lists	Discussion	Draft		EB 90	Joint draft recommendation preceded by call EB87 report para. 49 EB85 report para. 42
	Cost-effective approaches for monitoring – Revision to methodologies, tools and regulations	Discussion	Recommendation	Recommendation (by electronic means)	EB 90 EB 91	Recommendation SSC WG 51 preceded by call. EB 91 only E-consultation with SSC WG (no meeting) 6/CMP.11, para. 15
	Revision of AMS-I.E Inclusion of a default value for woody biomass consumption	Recommendation			EB 89	EB 76 report, para 56, SSC WG42, annex 5.

Activity	Product	SSC WG 50	SSC WG 51	SSC WG 52	EB consideration	Comments
	Revision of AMS-II.C and AMS-II.J Inclusion of consistent methods and provision of more flexibility to project proponents to determine the usage hours of lighting equipment in a conservative manner		Recommendation		EB 90	EB 85 report, para. 56
	Review and revision of existing provisions for programmes of activities in small-scale methodologies	Recommendation (1)	Discussion	Recommendation (2)	EB 89 EB 92	1) AMS-III.AJ, AMS-III.AB 2) AMS-III.V, AMS-III.W, AMS-III.AD, AMS-III.AI, AMS-III.AL, AMS-III.BD EB 68 report, para. 97
	Revise methodologies to include references to the revised methodological tool "Project and leakage emissions for biomass"		Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	EB83 report para. 44
	Analysis of the requirements in methodologies baseline and/or project emissions from refrigerants used in refrigeration and air conditioning equipment	Discussion	Discussion	Recommendation	EB 92	EB85 report para. 39

Activity	Product	SSC WG 50	SSC WG 51	SSC WG 52	EB consideration	Comments
244: Development of new methodologies to broaden the applicability of the CDM	Use of the CDM in urban sectors	Concept note			EB 89	Joint recommendation preceded by call Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB82 report para. 40 EB86 report para. 38
	Broadly applicable methodology for transport applications	Concept note			EB 89	Joint recommendation preceded by call Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB82 report para. 40 EB86 report para. 39
	Methodological options for developing 'agriculture CDM'	Concept note			EB 89	Joint recommendation preceded by call Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB82 report para. 40 EB86 report para. 36
	Methodologies for biofuel activities			Recommendation	EB 92	Recommendation SSC WG 52 preceded by call Decision 4/CMP.10, para. 6 EB85 report para. 44
246: Simplification and streamlining of the CDM	Proposals for simplification and streamlining of the CDM	Input on concept note			EB 89	EB 86 report paras. 10-11

4. Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group workplan for 2016

Activity	Product	A/R WG	EB consideration	Comments
Requests for PoA post registration changes (PRC)	Input to the changes to registered CDM programme of activities	Input	N/A	Input as applicable upon request by the secretariat. CDM-EB65-A32-PROC
Requests for project PRC	Input to the changes to registered CDM project activity	Input	N/A	Input as applicable upon request by the secretariat. CDM-EB65-A32-PROC
Processing of requests for clarification, revision, new submissions and micro-scale additionality	Proposed new methodologies (PNMs) submitted by proponents	Recommendation	TBD	Recommendation based on submissions received. CDM-EB70-A36-PROC
	Requests for revision of approved methodologies or methodological tools submitted by proponents	Recommendation	TBD	Recommendation based on submissions received. CDM-EB70-A36-PROC
	Requests for clarification of approved methodologies or methodological tools submitted by proponents (bottom-up process) (including fast track clarification by the panels/WGs)	Recommendation	TBD	Recommendation Based on submissions received. CDM-EB70-A36-PROC
Evaluation of standardized baselines	Top-down standardized baselines (TSB) and proposed standardized baseline (PSB) submissions from designated national authorities (DNAs)	Recommendation	TBD	Recommendation based on submissions received by designated members of the panel or whole panel. CDM-EB63-A28-PROC

Activity	Product	A/R WG	EB consideration	Comments
Stakeholder communications	Recommendations on responses to the letters to the Board	Recommendation	TBD	Recommendations on responses to the letters to the Board as referred to the panel or working group by the secretariat. CDM-EB62-A15-PROC

5. Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage Working Group workplan for 2016

Activity	Product	CCS WG	EB consideration	Comments
Processing of requests for clarification, revision, new submissions and micro-scale additionality	Proposed new methodologies (PNMs) submitted by proponents	Recommendation	TBD	Recommendation based on submissions received. CDM-EB70-A36-PROC

6. Accreditation Panel workplan for 2016

Activity	Product	AP 74	AP 75	AP 76	EB consideration	Comments
Assessment of applications for accreditation	Accreditation of new operational entities	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 88 EB 91	CDM-EB61-A01-PROC

Activity	Product	AP 74	AP 75	AP 76	EB consideration	Comments
Continuous monitoring of compliance of the designated operational entities (DOEs) with the CDM accreditation standard	Re-accreditation of DOEs	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 88 EB 91	CDM-EB61-A01-PROC
	Recommendations for suspension, placement under observation and withdrawal of accreditation of DOEs	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 88 EB 91	CDM-EB61-A01-PROC
	Recommendations for additional assessment of DOEs	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 88 EB 91	CDM-EB61-A01-PROC
Accreditation system	Improvement of the accreditation requirements/process		Recommendation		EB 91	
	Analysis of the need for measures to ensure the continued participation of DOEs in underrepresented regions in the CDM		Input on concept note		EB 91	Input AP 75 for concept note preceded by interaction with DOEs 6/CMP.11, para. 11
	Review of measure of DOE performance monitoring			Info (by electronic means)	EB 92	EB87 report para. 14, part 1
	DOE performance monitoring based on requests for registration and issuance			Info (by electronic means)	EB 92	EB87 report para. 14, part 2
	Recommendations on initial accreditation fee payment		Concept note		EB 91	Joint recommendation EB87 report, para. 16

Activity	Product	AP 74	AP 75	AP 76	EB consideration	Comments
	Analysis on potential areas of interest between the work of the Board and the International Organization for Standardization (ISO)	Discussion	Recommendation			EB 87 report, para. 18
Direct interaction with stakeholders	Direct interaction with the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum		Interaction with the Forum	Interaction with the Forum	N/A	CDM-EB62-A15-PROC
	Interaction with the CDM Assessment Team (CDM-AT)		Interaction with the CDM-AT		N/A	
246 Simplification and streamlining of the CDM	Proposals for simplification and streamlining of the CDM	Concept note			EB 89	Joint recommendation EB86 report, para. 10(h)

Table 1. MP Workplan 2016 (EB88)

Numbers of items	MP 69	MP 70	MP 71
Concept	5	1	-
Recommendation/Proposal	4	6	10
Other	6	8	1
Total	15	15	11

Table 2. SSC WG Workplan 2016 (EB88)

Numbers of items	SSC WG 50	SSC WG 51	SSC WG 52
Concept	5	2	-
Recommendation/Proposal	2	3	9
Other	5	7	1
Total	12	12	10

Table 3. AP Workplan 2016 (EB88)

Numbers of items	AP 74	AP 75	AP 75
Comment/Input	2	5	2
Interaction	-	2	1
Recommendation	4	6	4
Total	6	13	7

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