Annex 1

CHANGE OF THE SCOPE OF WITNESSING OF APPLICANT ENTITIES FOR ACCREDITATION

1. The Board agreed to widen the scope of witnessing by including in it an assessment of the decision-making capacity of the AE with regard to baseline and monitoring methodologies. This shall not affect the validity of the provision, agreed by the Board at its thirteenth meeting, that “Validation and/or verification and certification activities, witnessed and considered successful during the accreditation procedure, are considered valid from a procedural point of view if the applicant entity is successfully accredited by the Board.”

2. In order to implement this widening of scope the Board agreed to the following:

   (a) The Chair of the Meth Panel, shall select for each of the sectoral scopes of accreditation, drawing from the roster of experts for CDM methodologies, at least two experts to be included in the new roster “Methodology experts for accreditation by sectoral scope”. The experts included in the roster shall be encouraged to familiarize themselves with the accreditation procedure and other relevant decisions, guidelines and clarifications of the Board and its panels and working groups.

   (b) For each witnessing activity, led by the CDM-AT leader, the expert(s) on methodologies shall cover all sectoral scope(s) to which the witnessing activity is linked through the methodologies applied. The secretariat will identify the expert(s) from the roster who are available to assume the task and inform the CDM-AT leader about the expert(s). Each expert shall sign the same confidentiality and fee agreements as the other CDM-AT members.

   (c) The selected expert(s), as part of the CDM-AT witnessing the DOE/AE, shall be responsible for assessing, in writing, the substantive decision-making capacity of the DOE/AE relating to methodological aspects.

3. The Board will consider means to provide opportunities for exchange of experience and training by for example inviting such experts to the annually held coordination workshop.

4. The panel will revise the applicable forms, as appropriate, and inform the Board of the issuance of new versions.