

**REPORT OF THE NINTH MEETING OF THE AFFORESTATION
AND REFORESTATION WORKING GROUP**

UNFCCC Headquarters, Bonn, Germany
13 - 14 June 2006

A. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

1. The Chair of the Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group (A/R WG), Mr. Philip M. Gwage, opened the meeting.
2. The Chair on behalf of the A/R WG working group, thanked the outgoing members Ms. Carmenza Robledo and Mr. Wojtek Galinski for their outstanding work and dedication during their terms. The Chair further welcomed Mr. Craig Trotter and Mr. Sergio Jauregui, as the new members of the A/R WG.
3. The A/R WG adopted the proposed agenda.

B. Consideration of proposed methodologies

4. The A/R WG considered the following proposed new AR methodologies:

Case	ARWG 09 Recommendation ¹
ARNM0015: "Reforestation as Renewable Source of Wood Supplies for Industrial Use in Brazil"	WIP ²
ARNM0019: "Reforestation around Pico Bonito National Park, Honduras"	WIP
ARNM0020: "Afforestation for Combating Desertification in Aohan County, Northern China"	WIP
ARNM0021: "Chocó-Manabí Corridor Reforestation and Conservation Carbon Project"	Preliminary recommendation
ARNM0022: "Afforestation of the cropland through agro-forestry practices in 3658 Ha. area in Khammam District of Andhra Pradesh, India under ITC's Farm Forestry Project"	C
ARNM0023: "Rubber outgrowing and carbon sequestration in Ghana (ROCS-Ghana)"	C
ARNM0024: "San Nicolás CDM Reforestation Project"	Preliminary recommendation
ARNM0025: "Selva Central Climate Action Project"	C

5. After considering the proposed new A/R methodologies as well as the desk reviews and public inputs received, the A/R WG agreed on the **final recommendations** on proposals **ARNM0022**, **ARNM0023** and **ARNM0025** for the consideration of the Executive Board at its twenty-fifth meeting. The A/R working group recommended **not to approve** the proposals **ARNM0022**, **ARNM0023** and

¹ Recommendations to the methodologies from the ninth meeting of the A/R WG, where A (recommended for approval), B (recommended for revision) and C (recommended for non-approval) are final recommendations to the Board.

² Work in Progress (WIP): deliberations on these methodologies could not be concluded at the ninth meeting of the A/R WG meeting. These cases will be considered at the following meeting before providing a recommendation to the Board.

ARNM0025. The final recommendations will be made available on the UNFCCC CDM web site: <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/ARmethodologies/publicview.html>>.

6. The A/R WG agreed to the preliminary recommendations of proposals **ARNM0021** and **ARNM0024**. In accordance with the procedures for submission and consideration of a proposed new A/R methodology, project participants will have the opportunity to provide technical clarifications on this preliminary recommendation. Preliminary recommendations for which project participants have not provided any clarifications within the 4 week consultation period shall be considered as a final recommendation, forwarded to the Executive Board and will be made available at the website above.

Work in Progress

7. The A/R WG agreed to continue considering **ARNM0015**, **ARNM0019** and **ARNM0020** in order to address outstanding minor issues with a view to prepare a recommendation for possible approval of these cases at its tenth meeting. The A/R WG noted that the **ARNM0015** will require the approval of the guidance proposed in annex 1 by the Board, before completing its recommendation.

C. Leakage in A/R CDM project activities

8. The A/R WG considered a draft proposal for guidance on leakage and leakage management areas to assist project participants on how to address this issue in the development of new methodologies. The A/R WG agreed to continue its work on the proposal at its next meeting with a view to preparing a draft guidance for consideration by the Board.

D. Consolidation of approved A/R methodologies

9. The Board at its twenty-fourth meeting, encouraged the A/R WG to consider the consolidation of approved methodologies which are similar. The A/R WG considered a proposal for consolidating A/R methodologies and agreed to continue its work on this regard.

E. Double counting in A/R and non A/R project activities

10. The A/R WG discussed and agreed upon a proposal on draft guidance on the avoidance of double counting of emission sources between A/R and non A/R methodologies and recommended that the Board approves the proposal, as contained in annex 1.

F. Revision of the forms

11. The A/R WG recommended the revision of the forms: Summary Recommendation to the Executive Board (F-CDM-AR-SUMar); Working Group Recommendation to the Executive Board (F-CDM-AR-NMar); A/R methodology Public Comment form (F-CDM-AR-NMpu) CDM A/R methodology Expert form - Lead (F-CDM-AR-NMex_3d) and CDM A/R methodology Expert form - Second (F-CDM-AR-NMex_2d) as contained in annexes 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 respectively.

12. The recommended revisions to the forms ensure consistency with the form for the submission of new baseline and monitoring methodologies (CDM-AR-NM), as well as the equivalent forms of the Meth Panel.

G. Schedule of meetings

13. The A/R WG agreed to hold its next meeting from **29 to 30 August 2006**. The meeting will be preceded by a one-day informal meeting.

14. The **14 September 2006** was recommended as the deadline for the eleventh round of submissions of proposed new methodologies. The A/R WG reminds project proponents that baseline and monitoring

methodologies can be submitted at any time. The above deadline reflects the cut-off date for submissions to be considered at the eleventh meeting of the A/R WG.

H. Roster of experts

15. The AR WG noted the satisfactory completion of the desk reviews of proposed new methodologies for A/R project activities submitted at round 9.

Annexes:

Annex 1: Draft guidance on when double counting occurs between AR and non-AR project activities

Annex 2: AR WG Summary Recommendation to the Executive Board form, version 2 (F-CDM-AR-SUMar)

Annex 3: AR WG Recommendation to the Executive Board form, version 3 (F-CDM-AR-NMar)

Annex 4: CDM Proposed new AR methodology public comment form , version 2 (F-CDM-AR-NMpu)

Annex 5: CDM Proposed new AR methodology expert form - Lead, version 2 (F-CDM-AR-NMex_3d)

Annex 6: CDM Proposed new AR methodology expert form- Second, version 2 (F-CDM-AR-NMex_2d)