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Annotations to the proposed agenda

Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. ► **Action:** The meeting will be opened by the Chair of the SSC WG.

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. ► **Action:** The SSC WG Chair may wish to adopt the proposed agenda for the forty-first meeting.

Background: The agenda was drawn up based on submission requests, top-down work initiated by the secretariat, the 2013 workplan of the working groups and panels, requests from the SSC WG and mandates from the Board.

Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

Agenda item 2.1. Membership issues

3. ► **Action:** Members of the SSC WG 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: In accordance with paragraph 25 of the Terms of reference of the support structure of the CDM Executive Board (version 04.0), “members of a panel or working group shall abide by the code of conduct of the Board, as well as by the provisions related to conflict of interest and transparency of the Board, taking into account specific confidentiality requirements. They shall declare whether they have a pecuniary or financial interest in an issue presented to them as a member of the panel or working group and refrain from participating in any discussion or decision on the issue”. Such issues include accreditation of operational entities, consideration and approval of methodologies, registration of clean development mechanism (CDM) project activities and/or the issuance of related certified emission reductions.

Agenda item 2.2. Performance management

4. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to take note of the update on the annual workplan as presented to the Board at EB 74.

Background: The 2013 workplans of the panels and working groups under the Board were approved at EB 72 based on the approved CDM-MAP 2013–2014. The workplan specifies products and routine operations that each of the panels and working groups are requested to consider during the year and is as such applicable to the CDM Accreditation Panel (CDM-AP), the Methodologies Panel (Meth Panel), SSC WG, the Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage Working Group (CCS WG), and the Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group (A/R WG). In accordance with the Board's workplan for 2013, changes to the annual workplans for panels and working groups were updated during the midyear review at EB 74.

Agenda item 2.3. Matters related to the SSC WG

5. ► **Action:** The SSC WG members may want to take note of the update on the outcomes of the EB 73 and EB 74 meetings.

Background: There have been two Board meetings (EB 73 on 27-31 May and EB 74 on 22-26 July) since the SSC WG 40 meeting (16–19 April 2013).

6. ► **Action:** The SSC WG members may want to take note of the update regarding the last meetings of the Methodologies Panel.

Background: There have been two Meth Panel meeting (MP 59 on 22–26 April 2013 and MP 60 on 19–22 August 2013) since the SSC WG 40 meeting.

7. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may want to take note of the updates on relevant regulatory matters in preparation of the consideration of agenda items for this meeting.

Background: The secretariat will brief the SSC WG on relevant editorial revisions and fast track clarifications finalized since the last meeting of the SSC WG in accordance with the procedure for “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”. The relevant procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at: <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.

Agenda item 3. Regulatory matters

Agenda item 3.1. Standards/tools

Agenda item 3.1.1. Consideration of proposed new small-scale methodologies

8. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to consider the proposed new small-scale methodologies:
- (a) SSC-NM081: Emissions reductions from displacement of production of traditional building material by manufacture and installation of gypcrete wall panels;
 - (b) SSC-NM085: Strategic Supplementation of a Large Ruminant Dairy Sector for the Reduction of Methane;
 - (c) SSC-NM086: Capture of an external current of fossil CO₂ for urea production in an integrated ammonia-urea manufacturing plant;
 - (d) SSC-NM087: Flare gas recovery in gas treating facilities;
 - (e) SSC-NM088: Destruction of hazardous waste containing carbon using plasma technology and recovery of energy (thermal and/or electrical) using syngas generated;
 - (f) SSC-NM089: Re-refining of used (waste) naphthenic transformer oils (containing PCBs) for reuse;
 - (g) SSC_NM090: Biomass Oil Production and Use as Fuel in Gas Station.

Background: New small-scale methodologies are developed based on submissions of proposed new methodologies, upon decision by the Board to develop a new methodology or as prompted by the CMP, or as suggested by a methodological panel or working group or the UNFCCC secretariat in accordance with the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”, as part of the routine operation of the SSC WG. The relevant procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at: <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>>.

Agenda item 3.1.2. Consideration of revisions of methodological standards

9. **►Action:** The SSC WG may wish to consider the revisions of small-scale methodologies:
- (a) SSC_687: Revision of AMS-III.BC to include engine efficiency improvement that also improve combustion efficiency of the vehicle;
 - (b) Revision of AMS-II.G: Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable biomass:
 - (i) SSC_684: Revision of AMS-II.G concerning sample size requirements for thermal efficiency testing;
 - (c) Revision of SSC methodologies to remove limitations that restrict the methodologies to a fixed crediting period (AMS-II.L, AMS-II.M, AMS-II.N);
 - (d) Revision of AMS-I.B in order to include the section on project emissions and relevant monitoring parameters (in conjunction with the discussion of the draft “Procedure: development, revision clarification and update of standardized baselines”;
 - (e) Conduct further assessment on the option to remove the suppressed demand factor of 1.2 from the new methodology AMS-II.R;
 - (f) Energy efficiency methodology for small scale (MAP project no. 146 – Top-down methodologies using standardized approaches);
 - (g) Examine whether the use of different approaches to calculate or monitor baseline and project emissions in AMS-II.B could result in inaccuracies in the overall emission reductions;
 - (h) Address leakage issues associated with the switching of fossil fuels under AMS-III.B.

Background: The consideration of requests for revisions submitted by proponents (bottom-up process) or initiated by the Board (top-down process) is included in the approved workplan for panel and working groups for 2013 (EB 72, annex 4, updated at EB 74), as part of the routine operations for the SSC WG in 2013. Revisions of approved small-scale methodologies are considered in accordance with the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”. The relevant procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at: <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>>.

Agenda item 3.1.3. Consideration of requests for clarification

10. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to consider the submitted request for clarifications:
- (a) SSC_681: Clarification on conducting monitoring as per AMS-III.D;
 - (b) SSC_682: Clarification on AMS-II.Q with respect to the use of data for determining baseline emissions;
 - (c) SSC_683: Clarification regarding monitoring of annual average animal population in AMS-III.R;
 - (d) SSC_685: Clarification on the measurement of accumulated biogas under AMS-I.I;
 - (e) SSC_686: Clarification on AMS-III.Q with respect to project emissions resulting from gases flared in baseline scenario (Fast track);
 - (f) SSC_688: Clarification on the ex-post calculation of emission reductions in AMS-III.H;
 - (g) SSC_689: Clarification on baseline and monitoring for variable load devices using AMS-II.C;
 - (h) SSC_690: Clarification on two of the applicability conditions under AMS-III.Q;
 - (i) SSC_691: Clarification on AMS-III.S regarding sampling requirements and fixed route parameter.

Background: The consideration of requests for clarifications submitted by proponents (bottom-up process) or initiated by the Board (top-down process) is included in the approved workplan for panel and working groups for 2013 (EB 72, annex 4, updated at EB 74), as part of the routine operations for the SSC WG in 2013. Requests for clarification are considered by the SSC WG in accordance with the procedure "Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools". The relevant procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at: <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>>.

Agenda item 3.2. Policy issues

11. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to consider the following:
- (a) Provide general guidance on how to prevent the deliberate selection of sources that:
 - (i) Provide the least conservative values of a specific assumption in cases where more than one value is publicly available for such assumption; or
 - (ii) Do not provide sufficient information on the calculation and data used to derive the value of a specific assumption.

Background: The consideration of requests initiated by the Board (top-down process) is included in the approved workplan for panel and working groups for 2013 (EB 72, annex 4, updated at EB 74), as part of the routine operations for the SSC WG in 2013.

Agenda item 3.3. Guidelines

12. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to provide comments on the draft standards on the further development and revision of the regulatory framework based on the lessons learned from road-testing and based on inputs from stakeholders and relevant research.

Background: Based on the approved workplan for panel and working groups for 2013 (EB 72, annex 4, updated at EB 74), the SSC WG is consulted and requested to provide feedback on project deliverables related to the SSC WG according to the CDM business plan.

13. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to provide comments on the draft guidelines on “Monitoring guidance”.

Background: Based on the approved workplan for panel and working groups for 2013 (EB 72, annex 4, updated at EB 74), the SSC WG is consulted and requested to provide feedback on project deliverables related to the SSC WG according to the CDM business plan.

14. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to provide comments on the draft “Guideline on standardized baselines for transportation projects”.

Background: Based on the approved workplan for panel and working groups for 2013 (EB 72, annex 4, updated at EB 74), the SSC WG is consulted and requested to provide feedback on project deliverables related to the SSC WG according to the CDM business plan.

15. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to provide comments on the “Annex to the guidelines defining vintage of the relevant data and frequency of update of the relevant parameters”.

Background: Based on the approved workplan for panel and working groups for 2013 (EB 72, annex 4, updated at EB 74), the SSC WG is consulted and requested to provide feedback on project deliverables related to the SSC WG according to the CDM business plan.

16. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to consider analysing the graduation of the approved positive list of technologies “Guidelines on the demonstration of additionality of small-scale project activities”.

Background: At its 68th meeting, the Board requested the SSC WG to analyse options to determine when the technologies included in the positive list will graduate (e.g. penetration rates, time horizons) to become mature technologies warranting a revision of the positive list.

17. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to consider analysing the issue of debundling in the context of submission SSC_680 (legal interpretation of the definition of a project participant to be provided to the SSC WG).

Background: The work is based on a request by the Board (EB 74, paragraph 66 of the report).

Agenda item 3.4. Other

18. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to consider the top-down development of fNRB values for Vanuatu and other countries.

Background: At EB 67, the Board considered an information note on default values of fraction of non-renewable biomass (fNRB) for 58 LDCs and SIDS, as contained in annex 22 to the meeting report. The Board agreed to approve the approach to calculate the fNRB values for LDCs, SIDS and Parties with 10 or less registered CDM project activities as of 31 December 2010 and the values as indicated in the information note. The Board further requested the secretariat, in consultation with the SSC WG, to continue to determine fNRB factors for Parties with 10 or less registered CDM project activities as of 31 December 2010 and recommend to the Board default values for application in these countries.

19. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to consider analysing the impact for projects surpassing the SSC thresholds at the renewal of crediting period.

Background: Registered projects applying old version of small-scale type III methodologies (old SSC threshold: anthropogenic emissions by sources that directly emit less than 15 kilotonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent annually) may at the renewal of the crediting period be in the situation that the emission reduction surpass the SSC threshold of 60 ktCO₂ applicable in the new version of the methodologies. The SSC WG in the function of providing advice and recommendations to the Board regarding the need and priority areas for methodological guidance, as mentioned in the "Terms of reference of the support structure of the CDM Executive Board", will initiate the discussion on this issue with the aim to bring it to the attention of the Board.

Agenda item 4. Public consultation

20. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to specify the outcomes of the meeting which will result in calls for public input.

Agenda item 5. Conclusion of the meeting

21. ► **Action:** The SSC WG may wish to approve the internal and external reports of the forty-first meeting.
22. ► **Action:** The Chair may wish to close to meeting.

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