

# EB 63 SUMMARY



## ABSTRACT

The CDM Executive Board (the Board) held its [sixty-third meeting](#) (25-29 September 2011) in Quito, Ecuador. The Board for the first time considered external inputs from stakeholders to the annotated agenda. The Board also considered a new agenda for the meeting, which involved changing the way the Board conducts its meetings. The agenda is now structured by product instead of by subject matter and provides a much stronger governance and strategic focus. Three Programme of Activities (PoA) standards were approved which will be consolidated into one document. Some small adjustments in the Project Standard (PS), the Validation and Verification Standard (VVS) and the Project Cycle Procedure (PCP) were requested before these documents can be approved by the Board later this year. The Board agreed to guidelines for first of its kind and common practice. The Board also agreed to establish a positive list of renewable electricity generation technologies that are automatically defined as additional in all non-Annex I countries. With regard to methodologies two significant decisions were made: Procedures for standardized baselines and the work programme on suppressed demand were approved. In addition, the Board launched six calls for public inputs to support future work on the CDM.

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### Matters related to Agenda

**Highlights:** The Board for the first time considered twelve external inputs from stakeholders to the annotated agenda of EB 63 received from the call for public inputs in accordance with the “Modalities and procedures for direct communications with stakeholders”.

**Impacts for stakeholders:** Stakeholders’ inputs were considered a useful contribution to the Board’s deliberations.

Stakeholders will have the Board meetings better aligned with their needs.



### Matters related to Governance

**Highlights:** The Board agreed to launch a wide-ranging policy dialogue in Durban, South Africa, in November to review past CDM

experience and help ensure the readiness and positioning of the CDM to meet the challenges of the post-2012 period. The Board requested the secretariat to prepare an outline plan of the policy dialogue for EB 64.

**Impacts for stakeholders:** It is expected that the stakeholder dialogue will help positioning the CDM to best meet the evolving needs of Parties and understanding the perspectives of other stakeholders.



### **Matters related to Standards, Tools and Guidelines**

**Highlights:** Three PoA standards were approved - [Standard for demonstration of additionality of GHG emission reductions achieved by a programme of activities](#); [Standard for the development of eligibility criteria for the inclusion of a project activity as a CPA under a programme of activities](#); and [Standard for application of multiple CDM methodologies for a programme of activities](#). The Board requested the secretariat to consolidate all three standards into one document and prepare a work programme for implementation of the consolidated PoA standard by EB 65.

The Board requested the secretariat to revise the drafts of PS (consolidation of the obligations of project participants) and VVS (consolidation of existing requirements applicable to designated operational entities) for EB 65, and prepare separate implementation plans for the standards and a table with the

sources for each requirement in them for EB 64.

The Board adopted five new large scale methodologies and two new small scale methodologies and revised several others (large and small scale); adopted methodological [Tool for project and leakage emissions from road transportation of freight](#); adopted Guidelines for [first of its kind](#) and [common practice](#); and approved the revised [Guidelines for the demonstration of additionality of microscale project activities](#). The Board agreed to establish a [positive list of renewable electricity generation technologies](#) that are automatically defined as additional. The Board adopted [Guidelines on the application of specified versions of A/R CDM methodologies in verification of registered A/R CDM project activities](#) and [Guidelines on accounting of changes in A/R CDM project activities from the description in registered project design documents](#).

**Impacts for stakeholders:** Consolidation of three PoA standards into one PoA standard will improve consistency and clarity in processing of the submissions of documents relating to the registration of proposed PoA. From PS the stakeholders can expect enhanced consistency and clarity of requirements, a clear and common understanding and improved quality of the submission of documents. VVS will enhance consistency and clarity of minimum requirements and improved quality of validation and verification activities.

With the adoption of guidelines for first of its kind and common practice, the stakeholders can better assess additionality of first of

its kind project activity and common practice. Stakeholders from all non-Annex I countries can demonstrate listed grid-connected renewable electricity generation technologies of installed capacity up to 15 MW as additional, without further documentation of barriers.



### **Matters related to Procedures**

**Highlights:** The Board requested the secretariat to revise the draft PCP (consolidation of procedures in the project cycle) for EB 65, and prepare an implementation plan for the procedure and a table with the sources for each requirement in it for EB 64.

The Board adopted [Procedure for submission and consideration of standardized baselines](#), and revised [Procedure for renewal of the crediting period of a registered CDM project activity](#).

**Impacts for stakeholders:** Consolidation of administrative steps in the entire CDM project cycle found in various existing CDM documents will improve the consistency and clarity in the CDM process and enhance the overall efficiency and integrity of the CDM. Procedures for standardized baselines allow countries to calculate the typical emissions for an entire sector and create a list of technologies or measures that automatically qualify for approval because of their ability to reduce emissions below that baseline level.



### **Matters related to Policy issues**

**Highlights:** The Board approved [Work programme on suppressed demand](#). The Board requested the secretariat to prepare draft procedure to address significant deficiencies in previous validation, verification and/or certification reports.

**Impacts for stakeholders:** The work programme on suppressed demand allows project developers to assume a level of development in underrepresented countries that would lead to emissions to be avoided.



### **Requests for inputs from stakeholders**

[Inputs are sought from stakeholders](#) on the following matters:

**(a)** Draft standard for Sampling and surveys for CDM project activities and programme of activities, starting on **7 October 2011** and ending on **17 October 2011**.

**(b)** Draft new methodology “Renewable energy power generation in isolated grids” and draft tool “Project and leakage emissions from composting”, starting on **30 September 2011** and ending on **10 October 2011**.

**(c)** Top-down developed draft small-scale methodology SSC-II.N “Demand-side energy efficiency activities for installation of energy efficient lighting and/or controls in buildings”, starting on **30**

**September 2011 and ending on 30 October 2011.**

**(d)** Top-down developed draft small-scale methodology SSC-I.K “Solar cookers for households”, starting on **30 September 2011** and ending on **30 October 2011**.

**(e)** Standardized baselines in SSC methodologies for displacing non-renewable biomass, starting on **30 September 2011** and ending on **30 October 2011**.

**(f)** Consideration of suppressed demand in CDM methodologies, starting on **30 September 2011** and ending on **30 October 2011**.

**Next Meeting: EB 64  
24-26 October 2011  
Bonn, Germany**

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