

EB 70 SUMMARY



ABSTRACT

The CDM Executive Board (the Board) held its [seventieth meeting](#) (19 - 23 November 2012) in Doha, Qatar. Various regulations for the CDM programmes of activities (PoA) were agreed upon and integrated into the cornerstone regulatory framework of the CDM. Two procedures, one for the methodology development/revision process and another for submission and consideration of microscale renewable energy technologies for automatic additionality were revised. The Board clarified the situation of multiple host Parties for project activities and bundled project activities. The Board also approved 9 new methodologies and revised 17 methodologies for large scale, small scale and afforestation and reforestation (A/R) CDM project activities. Moreover, the voluntary tool for describing sustainable development co-benefits of CDM project activities and PoAs was approved. The Board launched one call for public inputs on the draft new methodology SSC-II.R “Energy efficiency space heating measures for residential buildings”.

Matters related to Governance

Highlights: The Board took note of an update on the current status of project-related submissions and timelines, in particular that approximately 1,900 requests for registration have been submitted to date during the second half of 2012, and that this high monthly rate has continued in November. The Board requested the secretariat to take

further measures to prioritize the processing of requests for registration until 31 December 2012.

Impacts for stakeholders: The Board and its support structures are committed to keep waiting times for new requests for registration and issuance of certified emission reductions (CERs) from CDM

project activities and programmes as low as possible.



Matters related to Standards, Tools and Guidelines

Highlights: The Board revised regulations related to PoAs. The amendments include:

- (a) A revised definition of the start date of a PoA and the start date of a component project activity (CPA);
- (b) Clarifications for PoAs applying more than one technology/measure or more than one methodology; and
- (c) Clarifications relating to the start and length of the crediting period for PoAs and CPAs.

The Board revised the “Tool for demonstration and assessment of additionality” and the “Combined tool to identify the baseline scenario and demonstrate additionality” to refer to the latest approved versions of the “Guidelines on common practice” and “Guidelines on additionality of first of its kind”.

A grace period of 8 months is applicable for the revised tools.

The Board considered regulatory documents relating to standardized baselines and provided feedback to the secretariat for revising the documents for its consideration at EB 72.

Impacts for stakeholders: Clear definition of the start date of a PoA and CPAs will likely facilitate the implementation of PoAs providing some flexibility for the development and implementation of CPAs. The possibility to introduce new CPA types after registration is confirmed.

More clarity on the requirements for generic and specific case CPA-DDs will likely facilitate the work of coordinating/managing entities (CMEs), designated operational entities (DOEs) as well as other stakeholders.



Matters related to Procedures

Highlights: The Board adopted the revised procedures on [Submission and consideration of microscale renewable energy technologies for automatic additionality](#) and [Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools](#).

Impacts for stakeholders: The revision of the first procedure allows designated national authorities (DNAs) to propose special underdeveloped zones (SUZs) to the Board for approval. The second procedure consolidates in a single document all provisions related to the development of new methodologies and methodological tools, revisions and clarifications of approved methodologies and methodological tools, for both "bottom-up" and "top-down" processes and the effective date of this procedure is 1 April 2013.

Matters related to Policy issues

Highlights: The Board approved the voluntary tool for describing sustainable development co-benefits of CDM project activities and PoAs. The Board also agreed

to the [clarification on the identification of the host Party for project activities and bundled project activities](#).

Impacts for stakeholders: The sustainable development tool provides means for project participants to voluntarily assess the co-benefits of their projects against various criteria. The voluntary tool will be available for use by project participants and CMEs in 2013. Additionally, clarity was provided that a project activity and a bundled project activity shall have only one host Party.



Requests for inputs from stakeholders

[Inputs are sought](#) from stakeholders, starting on **26 November 2012** and ending on **26 December 2012**, on the following draft new methodology:
(a) SSC-II.R “Energy efficiency space heating measures for residential buildings”.

Next Meeting: EB 71
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(tentative dates)
Bonn, Germany

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