

**Annex 6****WORK PLAN OF THE METHODOLOGIES PANEL
(2011)****(Version 01)****I. Background**

1. The Methodologies Panel (hereinafter referred to as the panel) is established under the Executive Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) to assist it in the performance of its functions concerning methodological issues. The mandate of the panel is determined by its terms of reference, general guidelines for panels / working groups, the rules of procedure of the Board, and additional guidance provided by the Board.
2. This work programme of the panel for 2011 strengthens the capacity of the panel to support the Board and has been developed within the context of the CDM Management Plan 2011 (CDM MAP 2011)¹ and the priorities of the work of the Board on methodological issues.² It provides details of the activities, expected outputs and timelines associated with each related CDM MAP 2011 objective.

¹ “CDM management plan 2011”, EB 59 report, Annex 17.

² “Priorities of the work of the Board on methodological issues”, EB 51 report, Annex 11.

**II. Work programme**

CDM MAP objective / deliverable ¹	Specific issue	Activities	Expected outputs	Status	Planned finish (EB meeting to consider the output)
Appendix 1 / On-going supportive activities and 1 a) / Elimination of backlog in consideration of new methodologies	New methodology submissions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consideration of proposed new methodologies following priorities as identified by the Board and in accordance with the “Procedures for the submission and consideration of a proposed new baseline and monitoring methodology for large scale CDM project activities” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommendations on proposed new methodologies for consideration by the Board; Draft reformatted methodologies for cases recommended for approval for consideration by the Board 	On-going	On-going (EB 59 - EB 64)
Appendix 1 / On-going supportive activities	Requests for clarification and requests for revision submitted by project participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consideration of requests for clarification and requests for revision submitted by project participants in accordance with the “Procedure for the submission and consideration of requests for revision of AMs and tools for large scale CDM project activities ” and the “Submission and consideration of queries regarding the application of approved methodologies and methodological tools by DOEs to the Meth Panel” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responses to requests for revision and clarification for consideration by the Board; Draft revised methodologies for cases recommended to be revised for consideration by the Board 	On-going	On-going (EB 59 - EB 64)



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Appendix 1 / On-going supportive activities	Requests for deviation from an approved methodology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consideration of requests for deviation from an approved methodology in accordance with the “Procedures for requests to the Executive Board for deviation from an approved methodology” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations on requests for deviation from an approved methodology for consideration by the Board 	On-going	On-going (EB 59 - EB 64)
Appendix 1 / On-going supportive activities	Development and improvement of methodological guidelines and work on cross cutting methodological issues as requested by the Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development and improvement of methodological guidelines per request by Board; • Elaboration of recommendations on cross-cutting methodological issues per request by the Board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft guidelines and notes for consideration by the Board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specific work already initiated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Development of general guidelines for sampling and surveys for CDM project activities (in conjunction with the SSC WG); – Treatment of increase in future anthropogenic emissions of host country (suppressed demand); – Revision to the guidelines on investment analysis (to incorporate guidance on the weighted average cost of capital) 	On-going (EB 59 - EB 64)



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1 a) / Tables of calculation developed for an agreed number of methodologies	Support and advice to the secretariat in developing the tables of calculation for an agreed number of methodologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of the draft tables developed by the secretariat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of at least three tables of calculation to be developed by the secretariat for consideration by the Board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First prototype of the table to be considered at MP 50 	MP 50 - MP 53 (EB 62 - EB 64)
2 d) / Methodologies developed	Top-down development of new methodologies and tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identification of methodologies and tools to be developed that are applicable to underrepresented project activity types and regions, as well as covering new project activity types, considering the sectors identified as priorities by the Board; Development of methodologies and tools; Participation in relevant practitioner workshops on CDM methodologies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identified methodologies and tools to be developed including their priority; At least two draft methodologies and/or tools for consideration by the Board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further methodologies and tools to be developed will be identified at MP 49 and MP 51; Specific cases already initiated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Tool to determine project emissions from anaerobic digesters” “Tool to determine project emissions from aerobic treatment of solid waste” “Tool to determine upstream leakage emissions associated with fossil fuel use” “Tool to determine the emissions associated with transportation” 	MP 50 - MP 53 (EB 62 - EB 64)



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2 d) / Standardized baselines	Development of standardized baselines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of standardized baselines that are applicable to least developed countries, small island developing States, Parties with 10 or less registered CDM project activities as of December 31 2010 and underrepresented project activity types or regions, inter alia, for energy generation in isolated systems, transport and agriculture; In response to requests by the Board: recommendations and support to the Board on methodological issues related to standardized baselines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommendations of four standardized baselines for consideration by the Board; If needed, recommendations on methodological issues related to standardized baselines for the consideration by the Board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial activities were identified by the panel in a note at MP 48; Following guidance by EB 60, the panel will start specific work. 	MP 50 - MP 53 (EB 62 - EB 64)
2 d) / Baseline standard	Development of a framework or background document on baseline determination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consideration of the issues related to baseline determination in CDM methodologies; Development of a framework or background document on baseline determination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft framework or background document on the CDM baseline determination for the consideration by the Board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The panel has discussed the issue at MP 49 and has proposed an action plan for consideration by the Board 	MP 53 (EB 64)



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3 a) / Simplified methodologies serving agreed sectors	Improvement of methodologies and tools initiated by the Board, the Meth Panel or the secretariat, following the priorities as identified by the Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of methodologies and tools for potential improvement, following the priorities as identified by the Board, based on potential for simplification, strengthen the assurance of environmental integrity, and the enhancement of objectivity, usability, applicability and consistency, using, where possible, new and innovative approaches; • Revision of methodologies and tools, in accordance with the “Procedure for the submission and consideration of requests for revision of AMs and tools for large scale CDM project activities”; • Participation in relevant practitioner workshops on CDM methodologies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • List of methodologies and tools assessed for potential improvements, including their priority; • At least four draft revised methodologies and/or tools for consideration by the Board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specific methodology revisions already initiated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – AM0001, AM0023, AM0030, AM0031, AM0055, ACM0007, ACM0016; – “Tool to determine methane emissions avoided from disposal of waste at a solid waste disposal site”; – “Tool to determine project emissions from flaring gases containing methane”; – “Tool to calculate the emission factor for an electricity system”; – “Tool to determine the mass flow of a greenhouse gas in a gaseous stream” • Cases to be initiated at MP49: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – ACM0001, AM0025 	MP 49 - MP 53 (EB 60 - EB 64)



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