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Annotations to the proposed agenda

Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. ► **Action:** The Chair of the Methodologies Panel (MP) shall open the seventy-fourth meeting of the panel.

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to adopt the proposed agenda for the 74th meeting.

   **Background:** The agenda was drawn up based on submission requests, the workplan of the panels and working groups for 2017 and mandates from the clean development mechanism (CDM) Executive Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board).

3. ► **Action:** Members of the MP 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 05.0)” members of a panel or working group shall abide by the code of conduct of the Board. 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.

Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

Agenda item 2.1. Matters related to the MP

4. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to take note of the updated workplan of the MP for 2017.

   **Background:** The workplan was adopted at the 93rd meeting of the Board in February 2017 and specifies products and routine operations that each of the panels and working groups are requested to consider during the year and is applicable to the CDM Accreditation Panel (CDM-AP), the Methodologies Panel (MP), the Small-Scale Working Group (SSC WG), the Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage Working Group (CCS WG), and the Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group (A/R WG). As the MP and SSC WG have been merged, items scheduled for the SSC WG have been merged into the work of the MP. Elsewhere in these annotations, where a mandate refers to the SSC WG it should be read as applying to the MP.

5. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to take note of the update on the outcomes of the ninety-sixth meeting of the Board relevant to the work of the MP.

   **Background:** There has been one Board meeting (EB 96 in September 2017) since the last MP meeting, MP 73 in July 2017.
Agenda item 2.2. Upcoming deadlines of relevance to stakeholders

6. **Action:** The MP members may wish to take note that the date for the 75th meeting of the MP will be tentatively decided when the Board adopts the calendar of meetings for 2018 at its ninety-seventh meeting.

   *Background:* The draft calendar for meetings of the Board and its panels for 2018 will be tentatively agreed by the Board at its ninety-seventh meeting (30 Oct to 3 Nov 2017) and will be approved at the first Board meeting of 2018.

7. **Action:** The MP members may wish to confirm the deadline for submissions to be considered at the 75th meeting of the MP.

   *Background:* The secretariat shall publish the deadlines for the submission of proposals of new methodologies, requests for revisions and requests for clarifications to be considered by the MP at its next meeting. The panel shall make every effort to initiate the consideration of the proposal at the meeting, taking into account the priorities set by the chair of the panel for that meeting.

Agenda item 3. Regulatory matters

8. **Action:** The MP may wish to take note of the overview of the top-down and bottom-up proposed standardized baselines.

   *Background:* The secretariat will brief the MP on the status of top-down and bottom-up proposed standardized baselines processed in accordance with the “Procedure: Development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines” (version 04.1).¹

9. **Action:** The MP may wish to take note of the update on relevant work carried out by consultants and desk reviews finalized since the last meeting of the panel (MP 73).

   *Background:* The secretariat will brief the MP on relevant work carried out by consultants and desk reviews finalized since the last meeting of the MP in accordance with the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools” (version 02.1).¹

Agenda item 3.1. Standards/tools

(a). Standards for CDM project activities and programmes of activities

10. **Action:** The MP may wish to approve the survey form developed as part of cost-effective and context-appropriate approaches for monitoring, reporting and verification, which is to be appended to AMS-I.E and AMS-II.G (MP and secretariat jointly).

   *Background:* The survey forms have been developed as part of cost-effective and context-appropriate approaches for monitoring, reporting and verification (EB 94 report, paragraph 34). If approved, the survey forms will be appended to AMS-I.E and AMS-II.G which are recommended for revision at this meeting (see paragraph 19 below).

¹ The procedure is available on the UNFCCC website at:
<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.
11. **Action:** The MP may wish to **consider** the draft information note “Framework for the development of a tool or guidelines to determine SBLs for energy efficiency in residential, commercial and institutional buildings” for the development of standardized baselines in the sector **energy efficiency in buildings** and open the call for public input.

   **Background:** The Board at its eighty-fifth meeting considered a concept note on the development of standards with a methodological framework for two specific project types for development of standardized baselines and approved the identified sectors for development of standards for standardized baselines, i.e. energy-efficient appliances for residential application and energy efficiency in buildings (EB 85 report, para 39).

12. **Action:** The MP may wish to **continue discussion** to further prioritise and select methodologies to revise in regard to **non-binding best practice examples**.

   **Background:** The Board, at its eighty-third meeting (paragraph 32) requested the MP to recommend non-binding best practice examples to be included in methodologies. Since then the Board, through the workplan of the MP and SSC WG, approved four revised methodologies to include non-binding best practice examples. Furthermore, the Board, at its ninety-third meeting, approved the work plan of the MP and SSC WG for 2017, which included work on "Non-binding best practice examples in methodologies" as part of the project 223 - Simplification of methodologies.

13. **Action:** The MP may wish to **take note** that no proposed standardized baselines are to be considered at this meeting.

   **Background:** Development of standardized baselines are based on bottom-up submissions or top-down process in accordance with the procedure “Development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines” (version 4.1).²

(b). **Methodological standards for large-scale CDM project activities**

14. **Action:** The MP may wish to **continue work** on the “Draft framework for the improved operation of** **public transportation**” (e.g. improved transit logistics, smart traffic systems) and open the call for public input (**joint MP and secretariat**).

   **Background:** The Board in its eighty-ninth meeting (EB 89 report, para. 33(b)) considered the concept note on a “Proposal on top-down methodological work for the transport sector” and agreed to initiate work on the development of a new top-down methodology for the improved operation of public transportation (e.g. improved transit logistics, smart traffic systems.

(i). **New methodologies and tools (large-scale)**

15. **Action:** The MP may wish to take note that no new large-scale methodologies or tools are to be considered at this meeting.

   **Background:** Development of large-scale methodologies and tools are based on bottom-up submissions of proposed new methodologies or top-down process in accordance with

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² The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at:
<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.
the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools” (version 2.1).3

(ii). Revisions to approved methodologies and tools (large-scale)

16.  ► **Action:** The MP may wish to recommend for approval the following top-down revisions of large-scale methodologies and methodological tools:

   (a) AM0118 “Introduction of low resistivity power transmission line”;

   (b) ACM0019 "N2O abatement from nitric acid production";

   (c) “Investment analysis” (TOOL27);

   (d) “Tool to calculate the emission factor for an electricity system” (TOOL07).

*Background:* Revisions of approved large-scale methodologies and tools are based on submissions of proposed revised methodologies or tools, upon decision by the Board to revise a methodology or a methodological tool or as prompted by the CMP, or as suggested by the methodological panel or the UNFCCC secretariat in accordance with the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools” (version 2.1).3

(iii). Requests for clarification of methodologies and tools (large-scale)

17.  ► **Action:** The MP may wish to note that no request for clarifications regarding large-scale methodologies or tools are to be considered at this meeting.

*Background:* Requests for clarification are considered by the MP in accordance with the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools” (ver. 02.1).3

(c). Methodological standards for small-scale CDM project activities

(i). New methodologies and tools (small-scale)

18.  ► **Action:** The MP may wish to take note that no new small-scale methodologies or tools are to be considered at this meeting.

*Background:* Development of small-scale methodologies and tools are based on bottom-up submissions of proposed new methodologies or top-down process in accordance with the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools” (version 2.1).3

(ii). Revisions to approved methodologies and tools (small-scale)

19.  ► **Action:** The MP may wish to recommend for approval the following top-down revisions of small-scale methodologies:

3 The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at: <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.
(a) **AMS-I.E** “Switch from non-renewable biomass for thermal applications by the user”;

(b) **AMS-II.G** “Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable biomass”.

**Background:** Revisions of approved small-scale methodologies and tools are based on submissions of proposed revised methodologies or tools, upon decision by the Board to revise a methodology or a methodological tool or as prompted by the CMP, or as suggested by the methodological panel or the UNFCCC secretariat in accordance with the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.

20. **Action:** The MP may wish to **consider** the top-down revisions of the following small-scale methodologies and methodological tool and **open** a call for public input after the meeting:

(a) **AMS-III.AK** “Biodiesel production and use for transport applications”;

(b) **AMS-I.H** “Biodiesel production and use for energy generation in stationary applications”;

(c) **AMS-III.AV** “Low greenhouse gas emitting safe drinking water production systems”;

(d) **TOOL 21** “Demonstration of additionality of small-scale project activities” *(joint MP and secretariat)*.

**Background:** Revisions of approved small-scale methodologies and tools are based on submissions by stakeholders of proposed revised methodologies or tools, decisions by the Board, direction by the CMP, or as suggested by a methodological panel or the UNFCCC secretariat, in accordance with the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.

21. **Action:** The MP may wish to **continue work** on the revision of the small-scale methodology **AMS-III.BK** “Strategic feed supplementation in smallholder dairy sector to increase productivity” *(MP leading, with input from the secretariat)*.

**Background:** Revisions of approved small-scale methodologies and methodological tools are based on submissions by stakeholders of proposed revised methodologies or tools, decisions by the Board, direction by the CMP, or as suggested by a methodological panel or the UNFCCC secretariat, in accordance with the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.

22. **Action:** The MP may wish to **initiate discussion** on revising the default baseline parameters in **AMS-III.AJ** “Recovery and recycling of materials from solid wastes” and **AMS-III.BA** “Recovery and recycling of materials from E-waste”.

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4 The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at: <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.
Background: The Board at its ninety-fourth meeting (paragraph 46) requested the SSC WG to review and update the global default factors contained in the methodologies AMS-III.AJ and AMS-III.BA, taking into account recent publications and scientific information.

(iii). Requests for clarification of methodologies and tools (small-scale)

23. **Action:** The MP may wish to note that no requests for clarification regarding small-scale methodologies or tools are to be considered at this meeting.

Background: Requests for clarification are considered by the MP in accordance with the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.

Agenda item 3.1.1. Consultation on issues related to methodological standards/concept notes

24. **Action:** The MP may wish to note that no mandate for consultation on issues related to methodological standards/concept notes has been received since the last meeting, the 73rd meeting of the MP.

Background: Consideration of issues related to methodological standards/concept notes may include items to be considered jointly with the secretariat.

Agenda item 3.1.2. Post registration changes

25. **Action:** The MP may wish to note that no requests for post-registration changes for small-scale and large scale methodologies or tools has been received by the MP since the last meeting, the 73rd meeting of the MP.

Background: In accordance with the procedure “Clean development mechanism project cycle procedure”, a designated operation entity (DOE) may submit a request for approval of post registration changes. If the secretariat, during the preparation of the summary note, identifies issues that require input from a relevant panel or working group, it shall place the case on the agenda of the next meeting of the panel or working group.

Agenda item 3.1.3. Deviations from approved methodologies and tools

26. **Action:** The MP may wish to note that no request for input to deviations from small-scale and large scale methodologies or tools has been received since the last meeting, the 73rd meeting of the MP.

Background: In accordance with the procedure “Clean development mechanism project cycle procedure”, a DOE may submit a request for approval of post registration changes. If the secretariat, during the preparation of the summary note, identifies issues that require inputs from a relevant panel or working group, it shall place the case on the agenda of the next meeting of the panel or working group.

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5 The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.
Agenda item 3.2. Other issues

27. ► *Action:* The MP may wish to *continue work on the use of the CDM in urban sectors* including exploring *tiered approaches* in methodologies (as part of cost-effective monitoring, reporting and verification), *developing guidelines* and elaborating *best practice examples* for PoA design documents. *(MP, with secretariat input)*.

*Background:* The Board at its ninetieth meeting (EB 90 report, para. 52) requested the MP, in consultation with the SSC WG and the secretariat, to develop guidelines to facilitate the development of CDM project activities and PoAs in the urban context. The Board at its ninety-fourth meeting (EB94 report, para 34) requested the secretariat, the MP, and the SSC WG to explore tiered approaches in methodologies relevant to the urban context, when these methodologies are being revised.

Agenda item 4. Conclusion of the meeting

28. ► *Action:* The MP may wish to *adopt* the report of the 74th meeting.