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Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. ► **Action:** The Chair of the Methodologies Panel (MP) shall open the 79th meeting of the MP.

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to adopt the proposed agenda for the 79th meeting.

   **Background:** The agenda was drawn up based on submission requests, the workplan of the MP for 2019 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” 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 update on the outcomes of the 102nd meeting of the Board relevant to the work of the MP.

   **Background:** There has been one Board meeting (EB 102 in March 2019) since the last MP meeting.

Agenda item 2.2. Upcoming deadlines of relevance to stakeholders

5. ► **Action:** The MP members may wish to confirm the deadline for submissions to be considered at the 80th 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 in to account the priorities set by the Chair of the panel for that meeting.
Agenda item 3. Regulatory matters

6. **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 standardized baselines processed in accordance with the “Procedure: Development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines”.¹

7. **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 MP.

   *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”.²

Agenda item 3.1. Standards/tools

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

8. **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”.³

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

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

9. **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 the “Procedure: Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.⁴

¹ The procedure is available on the UNFCCC website at: <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.
² The procedure is available on the UNFCCC website at: <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.
³ The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at: <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.
⁴ The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at: <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.
(ii). Revisions to approved methodologies and tools (large-scale)

10. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to recommend for approval the revision of the following methodologies:

   (a) “AM0031: Bus rapid transit projects”;

   *Background:* The Board, at its 101st meeting (EB101 report, para. 36) requested the MP to revise AM0031 to cover situations where there are changes to the number of vehicles retired as a result of the increase in the population and consequent increase in the demand for buses in the project city or region.

   (b) “AM0117: Introduction of a new district cooling system”;

   *Background:* This revision request is based on “AM_REV_0259: Amendment of equations 1-5 and unit changes throughout methodology”. Requests for revision are considered by the MP in accordance with the “Procedure: Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.

11. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to consider the top-down revision of “ACM0003: Partial substitution of fossil fuels in cement or quicklime manufacture” and open a call for public input after the meeting.

   *Background:* The Board, at its 101st meeting (EB101 report, para. 35) requested the MP to revise ACM0003 to introduce reference to “TOOL16: Project and leakage emissions from biomass”. Further, the Board at its 102nd meeting (EB102 report, para. 39) requested the MP to also consider issues in the methodology related to the “fuel penalty”.

12. **Action:** The MP may wish to consider the revision of the following large-scale methodologies and tools:

   (a) “AM0036: Fuel switch from fossil fuels to biomass residues in heat generation equipment”;

   (b) “ACM0006: Electricity and heat generation from biomass”;

   (c) “ACM0018: Electricity generation from biomass in power-only plants”

   *Background:* The Board at its 102nd second meeting (EB 102, para. 41), requested the MP to revise the methodology ACM0006 to address inconsistencies and ambiguities in the language used therein, and revise the methodologies AM0036 and ACM0018 to ensure consistency across biomass methodologies.

   (d) “ACM0016: Mass Rapid Transit Projects”;

   *Background:* The Board, at its 102nd meeting (EB102 report, para. 40), requested the MP to revise the methodology “ACM0016: Mass Rapid Transit Projects” in order to improve consistency with methodology “AM0031: Bus rapid transit projects”.

   (e) “TOOL09: Determining the baseline efficiency of thermal or electric energy generation systems”;

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5 The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.
Background: The Board, at its ninety-fourth meeting (EB 94 report, para. 39), requested the MP to update default efficiency factors in the tool on a regular basis (i.e. every two or three years), based on publicly available information.

(f) “TOOL27: Investment analysis”;

Background: The Board, at its eighty-fifth meeting (EB 85 report, para 50), requested the MP to update the default values for the cost of equity in the appendix to the tool annually.

(g) “TOOL24: “Common Practice”.

Background: This revision request is based on “REV_TOOL_0004: Revision in Common practice Analysis Tool Version 3.1 to include assessment of other GHG mechanism while assessing common practice”. Requests for revision are considered by the MP in accordance with the “Procedure: Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.

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

13. ► Action: The MP may wish to consider the submitted request for clarification “CLA TOOL_0029: Clarification on the total annual consumption of wood in the absence of the project activity (H) and non-accessible areas (P)” (regards TOOL30 ver. 2.0);

   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”.

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

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

14. ► Action: The MP may wish to recommend for approval the new methodologies:

   (a) “SSC-NM102: Greenhouse gas emission reduction methodology for online ride-hailing service”;

   (b) “SSC-NM103: Trip avoidance through equipment improvement of cargo transport”.

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

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

15. ► Action: The MP may wish to recommend for approval the revision of “AMS-I.C: Thermal energy production with or without electricity”.

   6 The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.

   7 The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.

   8 The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.
Background: The Board, at its ninety-ninth meeting (EB99 report, para. 28), requested the MP to recommend a revision to this methodology to include non-binding best-practice examples.

16. ► Action: The MP may wish to consider the top-down revision of the following methodologies and open a call for public input after the meeting:

(a) “AMS-II.G: Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable biomass”;

Background: The Board, at its ninety-ninth meeting (EB99 report, para. 28), requested the MP to recommend a revision to this methodology to include non-binding best-practice examples. Further, the Board, at its 102nd meeting (EB102 report, para. 46), requested the MP to expand the revision of this methodology to further elaborate requirements to account for stove-stacking.

(b) “AMS-I.E.: Switch from non-renewable biomass for thermal applications by the user”.

Background: The Board, at its 102nd meeting (EB102 report, para. 46), requested the MP to revise this methodology to further elaborate requirements to account for stove-stacking.

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

17. ► Action: The MP may wish to consider the submitted requests for clarification:

(a) “SSC_751: Request for clarification on the application of AMS-II.E. and Tool31” (regards AMS-II.E ver. 11.0 and TOOL31 ver. 01.0);

(b) “SSC_752: Clarification on Water Boiling Test (WBT) under AMS-II.G” (regards AMS-II.G ver. 08.0);

(c) “SSC_753: Calibration standard for equipment in AMS-II.G” (regards AMS-II.G ver. 08.0).

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. Post-registration changes

18. ► Action: The MP may wish to note that no request for post-registration changes that requires input from the MP has been received since the last meeting of the MP.

Background: In accordance with the “Clean development mechanism project cycle procedure”, a designated operational 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 3.1.2. Deviations from approved methodologies and tools**

19. **Action:** The MP may wish to note that no request for deviation from small-scale or large-scale methodologies or tools has been received since the last meeting of the MP.

**Background:** In accordance with the “Clean development mechanism project cycle procedure”, a DOE may submit a request for deviation from an approved methodology or tool. 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.

**Agenda item 3.2. Other issues**

20. **Action:** The MP may wish to recommend for approval the “Guideline: Use of the CDM in urban sectors”.

**Background:** The Board, at its 102nd meeting (EB 102 report, para. 33) considered the draft new guideline and requested the MP to further work on the guideline. This new guideline is for developing CDM projects in the urban context and includes best-practice examples in the PoA-DD template, and standardization of parameters, as requested by the Board at its ninety-seventh meeting (EB97 report, para. 26).

21. **Action:** The MP may wish to finalize the information note “Analysis of levelized cost of electricity generation and penetration rates of different types of grid-connected solar PV and on-shore wind technologies and comparable fossil fuel technologies”.

**Background:** The Board, at its 100th meeting (EB100 report, para. 41) requested the MP to prepare an information note with an analysis of levelized cost of electricity generation and penetration rates of different types of grid-connected solar PV and on-shore wind technologies and comparable fossil fuel technologies, applicable for the thresholds of the small-scale project activities and undertaken in non-Annex I countries. The Board also requested the MP to consider representative and current information from a range of literature sources taking into account different national circumstances.

22. **Action:** The MP may wish to finalize the concept note on methodological approaches for calculating emission reductions from project activities, resulting in the reduced use of non-renewable use of biomass in households.

**Background:** The Board, at its 102nd meeting (EB 102 report, paras. 30 and 31), requested the MP to provide an analysis on this issue including preparing draft revised methodologies for its consideration at a future meeting.

23. **Action:** The MP may wish to continue the discussion on the concept note regarding market share, market saturation and penetration rate.

**Background:** The Board at its 101st meeting (EB101 report, para. 30) considered the concept note “Proposed work on market share, market saturation and penetration rate”

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11 The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html>.
and requested the MP to initiate the work and prepare a concept note. The new concept note should build on the experience of the CDM in this area and take into account the guidance from the Board at this meeting.

**Agenda item 4. Relations with forums and other stakeholders**

24. **Action:** The MP may wish to conduct an interaction with project developers, DOE's and other experts on the topic of clean cookstoves, safe drinking water and sampling.

*Background:* There are a significant number of recurring MP agenda items related to the use of non-renewable biomass (NRB) and sampling (see for example paras. 16, 17(b), 17(c) and 22 above). A detailed, technical interaction with a range of stakeholders on this topic will aid the MP to support the Board in this area.

**Agenda item 5. Conclusion of the meeting**

25. **Action:** The MP may wish to adopt the report of the 79th meeting.