

STANDARDIZED BASELINES

PRACTITIONERS WORKSHOP ON CDM STANDARDS

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BACKGROUND

Decision 3/CMP.6

Parties agreed on the implementation of standardized baselines under the CDM. The decision had two main components:

- ❑ **A bottom-up component:** enabling the submission of proposals for standardized baselines and clarifying how such submissions will be processed by the Board; and
- ❑ **A top-down component:** implementing the request from CMP to the Board to develop standardized baselines.



BACKGROUND II

Decision 3/CMP.6

BOTTOM-UP

Decided that **Parties, project participants**, as well as **international industry organizations or admitted observer organizations** through the host country's designated national authority, may submit proposals for standardized baselines applicable to new or existing methodologies, for consideration by the Board

TOP- DOWN

Requested the Board to develop standardized baselines, as appropriate, in consultation with relevant DNAs, prioritizing methodologies that are applicable to LDCs, SIDS, Parties with 10 or fewer registered CDM project activities as of 31 December 2010 and **underrepresented project activity types or regions**, inter alia, for **energy generation in isolate systems, transport and agriculture.**

DEFINITION

Standardized Baseline. Decision 3/CMP.6 defines a “standardized baseline” as a baseline established **for a Party or a group of Parties** to facilitate the calculation of emission reduction and removals and/or the determination of additionality for CDM project activities, while providing assistance for assuring environmental integrity. As per this definition, the scope of a standardized baseline may include one or several of the following elements:

- Baseline scenario identification;
- Baseline emissions determination;
- Additionality demonstration.

Layers of standardized baselines

When developing or processing a standardized baselines, it may be useful to distinguish the following four different layers:

- A general framework for standardized baselines;
- Algorithm;
- Qualitative standardized baseline;
- Quantitative standardized baseline.

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The Board considered a note on standardized baselines and agreed to continue to work on top-down development of standardized baselines. In this regard the Board requested the secretariat to:

- (a) Develop a **general methodological framework** for development and assessment standardized baselines for consideration of the Board at a future meeting;
- (b) As a prompt start, **initiate the development of standardized baselines derived from approved methodologies for small scale** and possibly large scale CDM project activities;
- (c) Draft **new procedures for submission and assessment of standardized baselines** for consideration of the Board at the latest at its sixty-third meeting.



WAY FORWARD

- ❑ CDM MANAGEMENT PLAN 2011: Four standardized baselines approved by the Board by EB63 (September 2011).
- ❑ Secretariat will work in the drafting of new procedures.
- ❑ Secretariat will work on the **general methodological framework** for development and assessment standardized baselines, this work will include stakeholder consultations (this workshop) as well as meth panel/WGs advice.
- ❑ Development of standardized baselines derived from approved methodologies for **small scale** (areas of possible work: non renewable biomass, water purifiers, transport, agriculture, waste, LED lights, solar cookers, etc.).
- ❑ Development of standardized baselines derived from approved methodologies for **large scale**. Small group from the Meth Panel to discuss the way forward.

THANKS!

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