Input on the CDM policy dialogue (Geneva, 19 January 2012)

In my quality of researcher working on technology transfer in the Clean Development Mechanism at the University of Geneva (Switzerland), I would like to make the three following suggestions to improve technology transfer in the current CDM framework and/or for the design of similar mechanisms in future climate negotiations:

1. Reduce or eliminate the applied MFN tariff rate on the list of 26 "core" environmental goods and services identified under the Doha negotiations;
2. Facilitate or reduce administrative procedures in host countries for entities setting up CDM projects;
3. Agree on a UNFCCC definition of technology transfer in the context of the CDM to better assess CDM's contribution to technology transfer.

These suggestions are based on one of my research papers, entitled "Technology transfer in the Clean Development Mechanism: the role of host country characteristics" (in journal revision process).

I hope you will find these suggestions useful for the CDM policy dialogue.

Should you require any additional information on my research, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,

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