
Fifth CDM Roundtable

Development of consolidated procedure for development, revision and clarification of methodologies

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- The concept note clearly highlights the differences between various administrative processes which aim to achieve the same outcome, for example the process followed to submit a request for clarification for a large vs. small scale methodology etc.
- All efforts to streamline administration processes are constructive and will build confidence in the system because one would get the impression that procedures are thought through and aligned before implementation.

Comments and items for consideration – direct communication with project developers

- Communication with stakeholders, in particular the project developer
- Item already highlighted by the Secretariat in the concept note
- Existing procedures allow for telephonic communication with the PP mostly with the objective to request additional information
 - a) From experience we know that direct communication between the MP and the PP improves the insight of the PP and the insight of the Panel/WG

Comments and items for consideration – direct communication with project developers

- **Interpretation complexities**
 - a) In many cases CDM work is contracted out by the PP to a CDM consultant
 - b) Benefit: CDM consultant can speak “CDM language”
 - c) Disadvantage: An entity interprets the underlying project activity which creates room for misinterpretation
- Communication through writing presents many challenges because of language subtleties and interpretation
- Suggestion for consideration: Incorporate into the procedures more flexible ways by which information/insight can be provided by the project proponent

Summary

- Allow for a larger variety of ways of communication between the Panel/WG and the project stakeholders directly – currently this communication is limited to telephone conferences
- Reduce the time in which methodologies/ other submissions are assessed and improve the quality of methodologies significantly