United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

Seventh CDM Roundtable

Revision of the CDM accreditation standard and accreditation procedure

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1. Procedural background

- ➤ At **EB 70**, the <u>Board</u> considered a concept note on the revision of the Procedure, provided guidance and requested the secretariat to further address some issues
- ➤ At CDM-AP 63, the <u>CDM-AP</u> and the <u>DOE Forum</u> provided inputs on draft concept notes on the Procedure and Standard
- At **EB 72**, the <u>Board</u>:
 - Considered a concept note on the revision of the Standard, and provided guidance
 - Considered a concept note on remaining issues for the revision of the Procedure, and provided guidance
 - Requested the secretariat to prepare a First Draft of both documents for EB 73
- A Zero Draft of both Standard and Procedure has been submitted to DOEs prior to this Roundtable for discussions and inputs



2. Purpose of revision

> Improve the effectiveness, efficiency and transparency of the CDM accreditation system



3. Key issues for the Standard

- > Competence requirements (based on an analysis of all CDM methodologies)
 - Introduction of knowledge-based requirements
 - Definition of sectoral technical knowledge required per each sectoral scope
 - Revision of the list of sectoral scopes and adjustment in the classification of methodologies with sectoral scopes
 - Definition of general technical knowledge required for any type of project activities or PoA regardless of its sectoral scope
 - Review and/or strengthening a few generic requirements for Val/Ver teams and Technical review teams
 - Introduction of means to demonstrate competence

Use of external resources

- Structure has changed, but the essence of requirements changed very little
- Means and main conditions to use external resources remain



3. Key issues for the Standard (cont.)

- Val/Ver process (contract review, technical review)
- Streamlined requirements to avoid unnecessary or duplication of requirements and ensure clarity and consistency
- > Transitional measures for complying with the revised Standard



4. Key issues for the Procedure

- Modalities to determine the number of performance assessments
- General principles for decision-making on NCs
- Introduction of a new measure, "under-observation", and revision of conditions related to suspension
- Revision of complaint and independent review processes
- Streamlined assessment processes to avoid unnecessary steps and ensure clarity and consistency



5. Context and expectations for the Roundtable and subsequent work and timelines

- > The documents submitted for the Roundtable are Zero Drafts
- > The new competence requirements have been much elaborated so as to provide a concrete basis for discussion
- ➤ Inputs from DOEs for this Roundtable, and by the CDM-AP next week at CDM-AP 64, will be taken into account for the preparation of a First Draft for both Standard and Procedure to be submitted to the Board at EB 73
- The secretariat will submit the Final Draft to the Board for adoption at EB 74
- Revised Standard and Procedure will take effect and be enforced in accordance with the agreed transitional measures

