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Annotations to the proposed agenda

Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. ►**Action:** The meeting will be opened by the Chair of the Afforestation & Reforestation Working Group (A/R WG).

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. ►**Action:** The A/R WG Chair may wish to adopt the proposed agenda for the fortieth meeting of the group.

Background: The agenda was drawn up based on submission requests, top-down work initiated by the secretariat, and specific mandates from the Board.

Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

Agenda item 2.1. Membership issues

3. ►**Action:** Members of the A/R WG 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 (version 04.0)”, “members of a panel or working group shall abide by the code of conduct of the Board, as well as by the provisions related to conflict of interest and transparency of the Board, taking into account specific confidentiality requirements. 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”. Such issues include accreditation of operational entities, consideration and approval of methodologies, registration of clean development mechanism (CDM) project activities and/or the issuance of related certified emission reductions.

Agenda item 3. Regulatory matters

Agenda item 3.1. Standards/tools

Agenda item 3.1.1. Standards for CDM project activities and programmes of activities

4. ►**Action:** The A/R WG may wish to consider the concept note on the assessment of applicability of afforestation and reforestation (A/R) modalities and procedures to project activities involving revegetation and agree on a recommendation to the Board in this regard.

Background: The CMP, through its decision 7/CMP.10, requested the Board to assess the applicability of the modalities and procedures contained in decisions 5/CMP.1 and

6/CMP.1 to project activities involving revegetation. The CMP also requested the Board to report back to CMP 11 on the outcome of the assessment, including an indication of sections of the modalities and procedures in which modifications would be needed in respect of the project activities involving revegetation. The Board, at its eighty-third meeting, considered a concept note prepared by the secretariat on the assessment of applicability of afforestation and reforestation (A/R) modalities and procedures to project activities involving revegetation and requested the Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group (A/R WG) to prepare a recommendation to be considered by the Board at its eighty-sixth meeting. The Board also indicated that the A/R WG should confine its consideration of the matter to the scope of the mandate set out in the CMP decision.

5. ►Action: The A/R WG may wish to consider the concept note on additional cost-effective approaches to demonstrating the eligibility of land for A/R CDM project activities and agree on a recommendation to the Board in this regard.

Background: The CMP, through its decision 4/CMP.10, requested the Board to explore additional cost-effective approaches to demonstrating the eligibility of land to qualify as a CDM A/R project activity and report back on this matter to CMP 11 for it. The Board, at its eighty-third meeting, requested the A/R WG to prepare a recommendation on additional cost-effective approaches to demonstrating the eligibility of land for A/R CDM project activities to be considered by the Board at its eighty-fifth meeting. The Board agreed to open a call for public inputs on this matter and requested the A/R WG to take the public inputs into consideration.

Agenda item 3.1.2. Consideration of revisions of methodological standards/tools

6. ►Action: The A/R WG may wish to consider a proposal for the Board to revise relevant A/R CDM methodologies and methodological tools by incorporating the following clarifications that have been issued:

- (a) AR_CLA_TOOL_0001 (fast track) "Clarification on application of paragraph 12 of the A/R Methodological tool 'Estimation of carbon stocks and change in carbon stocks of trees and shrubs in A/R CDM project activities' (AR-TOOL14) version 04.1";
- (b) AR_CLA_TOOL_0002 (fast track) "Request for clarity on equation to calculate carbon stock in lying dead wood of species j in plot p";
- (c) SSC_AR_009 "Errors and clarification for small scale A-R methodology and tool for trees and shrub";
- (d) SSC_AR_010: Clarification on the guidance to be used to prove 'Barriers due to prevailing practice' as allowed for in Methodology AR-AMS0007 (version 3.0).

7. Background: A methodological panel or working group, or the secretariat, may, propose that the Board revise an approved methodology (including an approved consolidated methodology) or methodological tool at any time. The Board shall consider the proposal and/or the recommendation, and decide whether to revise and/or to put on hold the current version of the methodology or methodological tool (EB70, Annex 36, para 74). The revisions will incorporate the contents of the issued clarifications in order to provide consistency to the A/R CDM methodologies and methodological tools. The four clarifications are available at:

<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/SSCAR/clarifications/pending> and
<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/ARmethodologies/tools-clarifications/pending>>

Agenda item 4. Conclusion of the meeting

8. ▶**Action:** The A/R WG may wish to approve the internal and external reports of this meeting.
9. ▶**Action:** The Chair may wish to close the meeting.

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