



## Draft standardized baseline (DSB) development plan form (Version 01.0)

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| <b>Date (DD/MM/YYYY) and number of the Board meeting that decided the development:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | EB 79 (28 May - 1 June 2014)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Title of the draft standardized baseline:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Standardized baseline for afforestation and reforestation CDM project activities in Namibia                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Name(s) of the Party or Parties to which the draft standardized baseline applies:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Namibia                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Elements to be standardized by the draft standardized baseline:</b><br><i>(Select one or more than one element(s) to be standardized)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Additionality demonstration<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Baseline identification<br><input type="checkbox"/> Baseline emission/ removal estimation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Land eligibility demonstration |
| <b>Proposed approach for the development of the draft standardized baseline:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The "Guidelines for the establishment of sector specific standardized baselines"<br><input type="checkbox"/> A methodological approach contained in an approved baseline and monitoring methodology (Please specify below the exact reference (number, title and version) of the approved methodology _____)<br><input type="checkbox"/> A methodological approach contained in an approved methodological tool (Please specify below the exact reference (title and version) of the approved tool _____)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The "Guideline: Establishment of standardized baselines for afforestation and reforestation project activities under the CDM"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Proposed data source, applicability and impacts of the draft standardized baseline:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <p><i>Data and source</i></p> <p>1. Average annual rainfall data for the last 10 years or more: from the existing databases and national archives. The data should relate to the identified areas for which the standardized baseline is proposed to be established.</p> <p>2. Total area of land (in hectare) on which afforestation/reforestation has occurred during the last 20 years: from the existing databases and national archives. The data should relate to the identified areas for which the standardized baseline is proposed to be established.</p> <p><i>Impacts of the standardized baseline</i></p> <p>The standardized baseline, if approved, will facilitate preparation and validation of afforestation and reforestation CDM project activities in Namibia. The individual projects will not be required to demonstrate additionality and determine baseline land-use scenario because all A/R CDM projects will be automatically considered additional and the pre-project land-use scenario will automatically be considered the baseline scenario for the projects.</p> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

**Any other issues to be stated, if necessary:**

In view of extensive arid areas in the country, collecting data for quantification of baseline GHG removals per hectare may not be cost-effective since the percentage of land expected to be covered by potential A/R CDM project activities is likely to be very small. The same argument is likely to hold true for demonstration of land eligibility within the standardized baseline. A lack of historical data on land classification may hamper the demonstration of land eligibility over extensive areas.

**Schedule of key activities**

*(List below all key activities to develop the draft standardized baseline with the expected timeline. These could include use of external expertise, completion of the 1st draft of DSB, consideration by two selected members of Panel/ WG and/or Panel/ WG, and consideration by the Board. Add rows if necessary)*

| Phase            | Activity                                                       | Timeline (DD/MM/YYYY) |
|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Initiation phase | Agreement form finalized                                       | 25/07/2014            |
|                  | Research concluded on data required                            | 08/08/2014            |
| Drafting phase   | Provision/confirmation of the data by the DNA                  | 29/08/2014            |
|                  | High level formal quality assessment by the secretariat        | 12/09/2014            |
|                  | Consultation with two A/R WG members                           | 29/09/2014            |
|                  | Updating the draft based on inputs/feedback of the A/R WG      | 10/10/2014            |
| Approval phase   | Agreement of the DNA on the finalized draft PSB                | 24/10/2014            |
|                  | Consideration by the Board through automatic approval process. | 28/11/2014            |
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