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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 Methodologies Panel (Meth Panel).

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel Chair may wish to adopt the proposed agenda for the sixty-ninth meeting.

Background: The agenda was drawn up based on submission requests, workplan of the panel and working groups for 2016 and mandates from the Board.

Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

Agenda item 2.1. Membership issues

3. ► **Action:** Members of the Meth Panel 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. Furthermore, Meth Panel members shall disclose any interest in any matter under discussion before the Meth Panel which may constitute a conflict of interest or which might be incompatible with the requirements of integrity and impartiality expected of a member of the Meth Panel and shall refrain from participating in the work of the Meth Panel in relation to such matter.

Agenda item 2.2. Performance management

4. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to take note of the workplan of panels and working groups for 2016.

Background: The workplan specifies products and routine operations that each of the panels and working groups are requested to consider during the year and is as such applicable to the CDM Accreditation Panel (CDM-AP), the Methodologies Panel (Meth Panel), the Small-Scale Working Group (SSC WG), the Carbon Dioxide Capture and

Storage Working Group (CCS WG), and the Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group (A/R WG).

Agenda item 2.3. Matters related to the Meth Panel

5. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel members may wish to take note of the update on the outcomes of the EB 86 - EB 88 meetings.

Background: There have been three Board meeting (EB 86 in October 2015, EB 87 in November 2015 and EB 88 in March 2016) since the Meth Panel 68 meeting (5 to 9 October 2015).

6. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel members may wish to take note of the overview of the top-down and bottom-up proposed standardized baselines.

Background: The secretariat will brief the Meth Panel on the status of top-down and bottom-up proposed standardized baselines.

7. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel members may wish to take note of the update on the relevant regulatory matters in preparation of the consideration of agenda items for this meeting.

Background: The secretariat will brief the Meth Panel on relevant editorial revisions, fast track clarifications, desk reviews and consultancies finalized since the last meeting of the Meth Panel in accordance with the relevant procedures. The procedures for “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools (version 01.1)” and “Procedure for the submission and consideration of standardized baselines (version 02.0)” are available at <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>>.

Agenda item 2.3.1. Upcoming deadlines of relevance to stakeholders

8. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel members may wish to take note of the date for the 70th meeting of the Meth Panel (MP 70).

Background: The calendar for meetings of the Board and meetings of panels and working groups are approved by the Board.

Agenda item 3. Regulatory matters

Agenda item 3.1. Standards/tools

9. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to discuss the development of standards with a methodological framework for development of standardized baselines in

- (a) Energy-efficient appliances for residential application;
- (b) Energy efficiency in buildings.

Background: This work is based on a mandate provided by the Board at its eighty-fifth meeting (EB 85, para. 39) when considering a concept note on the development of standards with a methodological framework for two specific project types for development of standardized baselines and as included in the workplan for panels and working groups 2016 (EB 88, annex 3).

10. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to hold an initial discussion on the development of standards with a methodological framework for development of standardized baselines.

Background: This work is based on a mandate provided by the Board at its eighty-eighth meeting (EB 88, para. 47) and included in the workplan for panels and working groups 2016 (EB 88, annex 3), to identify potential project types and sectors for further work and to draw on the experience and lessons learned with the "Guidelines for establishment of sector specific standardized baseline" and to consider using elements of these guidelines and the work undertaken in this regard.

11. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to discuss the analysis of requirements in methodologies baseline and/or project emissions from refrigerants used in refrigeration and air conditioning equipment.

Background: This work is based on a mandate provided by the Board at its eighth-fifth meeting (EB 85, para. 39), when considering a concept note on the development of standards with a methodological framework for two specific project types for development of standardized baselines and as included in the workplan for panels and working groups 2016 (EB 88, annex 3).

Agenda item 3.1.1. Consideration of proposed standardized baselines

12. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to consider the proposed standardized baseline submission "PSB00033: Grid emission factor for the West African power pool".

Background: In accordance with the procedure for submission and consideration of standardized baselines, a designated national authority (DNA), may submit proposals for standardized baselines for consideration of the CDM Executive Board. The relevant procedure "Development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines" (version 04.0) is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at:
<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.

13. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to have an discussion on possible approaches to consider proposed standardized baseline submissions from Small Island States: based on ongoing consideration of PSB00021, PSB00023, PSB00031 and PSB00032.

Background: In accordance with the procedure for submission and consideration of standardized baselines, a designated national authority (DNA), may submit proposals for standardized baselines for consideration of the CDM Executive Board. The relevant procedure "Development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines" (version 04.0) is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at:
<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>.

Agenda item 3.1.2. Consideration of new large-scale methodologies and tools

14. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to consider the proposed new large-scale methodology "NM0373: Introduction of a new district cooling system".

Background: New large-scale methodologies are developed based on submissions of proposed new methodologies, upon decision by the Board to develop a new methodology or as prompted by the CMP, or as suggested by a methodological panel or working group or the UNFCCC secretariat in accordance with the procedures

“Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools” (version 01.1). The methodology related procedures are available on the UNFCCC CDM website at:

[<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>](http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth).

Agenda item 3.1.3. Consideration of revisions of large-scale methodologies and tools

15. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to consider the bottom-up and top-down revisions of large-scale methodologies and methodological tools:

- (a) AM_REV_0256: Revision of ACM0002 to become applicable to geothermal technologies with binary or closed-loop heat exchange systems without accounting for project emissions;
- (b) AM_REV_0257: Revision for broadening the applicability of ACM0001 to include project supplying of LFG to consumers through a dedicated pipeline;
- (c) To revise “AM0103: Renewable energy power generation in isolated grids”, for inclusion of a positive list of technologies (following provisions of ACM0002);
- (d) To revise “ACM0014: Treatment of wastewater”, to standardize requirements related to additionality;
- (e) To revise “ACM0001 Flaring or use of landfill gas” (ver 15.0), to include clarity on the applicable baseline and to improve the clarity of simplified additionality provisions;
- (f) To revise “AM0116: Electric taxiing systems for airplanes”, to explore the possibility of expanding the applicability of this methodology to cover non-commercial aircraft;
- (g) To revise the methodological tool: “Project and leakage emissions from biomass”;
- (h) To revise methodologies to accommodate the requirements of the “Baseline, project and leakage emissions from electricity consumption and monitoring of electricity generation”;
- (i) To revise the methodological tool: “Investment analysis”;
- (j) To discuss the gap analysis and revise the “Combined tool to identify the baseline scenario and demonstrate additionality”.

Background: Revisions of approved large-scale methodologies and tools are based on submissions of proposed revised methodologies or tools, upon decision by the Board to revise a methodology or a methodological tool or as prompted by the CMP, or as suggested by a methodological panel or working group or the UNFCCC secretariat in accordance with the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools” (version 01.1). The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at:

[<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>](http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth).

Agenda item 3.1.4. Consideration of requests for clarification on large-scale methodologies and tools

16. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to recall the decisions reached by fast track since the last MP meeting on the submitted requests for clarifications:

- (a) AM_CLA_0275: Clarification on the survey frequency to determine the baseline emissions;
- (b) AM_CLA_0274: Clarification about the applicability condition for using the LFG to supply consumers through natural gas distribution network.

Background: Requests for clarification are considered by the Meth Panel in accordance with the procedures “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools” (version 01.1). The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at:

<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>>.

Agenda item 3.1.5. Consultation on issues related to methodological standards/concept notes

17. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to consider the following concept notes:

- (a) Methodology for integrated mitigation actions in agriculture combining efficient water pumps, more efficient use of fertilizers, efficient animal husbandry;
- (b) Methodology for integrated mitigation action at the city level (revised title: Exploration of methodological options for developing urban CDM);
- (c) Broadly applicable highly usable methodology for transport applications (revised title: Broadly applicable methodology for transport applications).

Background: This work is based on a mandate given by the Board in its eighty-sixth meeting (EB 86 report para. 36, 38 and 39), is included in the approved workplan for panels and working groups for 2016 (EB 88, Annex 3) and the workplan of project “Development of new methodologies to broaden the applicability of the CDM” (EB 82 report, annex 7).

18. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to provide input on the concept note on the proposals for simplification and streamlining of the CDM.

Background: This work is based on the mandate from the Board at its eighty-sixth meeting (EB 86 report paras. 10-11) and the approved workplan for panels and working groups 2016 (EB 88, Annex 3) setting out guidance for proposals on simplification and streamlining of the CDM.

19. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to provide input on the draft concept note on “Cost-effective approaches for monitoring”.

Background: This work is based on the mandate from the CMP at its eleventh meeting to develop more cost-effective and context-appropriate approaches for monitoring, reporting and verification with a focus on project activities involving households and communities (6/CMP.11, para. 15) and also covers the mandate given by the Board at its eighty-seventh meeting (EB 87 report para. 45) and CDM-EB82-A08. The work is

included in the approved workplan for panels and working groups for 2016 (EB 88, Annex 3).

20. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to provide input to the concept note on the simplified inclusion process for activities that satisfy microscale thresholds and are considered automatically additional.

Background: This work is based on the mandate from the CMP at its eleventh meeting (Decision 6/CMP.11, para. 19) allowing for inclusion on the basis of a pre-approved standardized inclusion template of component project activities carried out directly by the coordinating / managing entity without prior validation through a designated operational entity.

Agenda item 3.1.6. Post registration changes

21. ► **Action:** the Meth Panel may wish to provide input on the request for approval of post registration changes on:

(a) PRC-0765-002: Temporary deviation from ACM0019

Background: In accordance with the current procedure “Clean development mechanism project cycle procedure” available on the UNFCCC website at <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#proj_cycle> a designated operation entity may submit a request for approval of post registration changes. If the secretariat, during the preparation of the summary note, identifies issues that require inputs from a relevant panel or working group, it shall place the case on the agenda of the next meeting of the panel or working group.

Agenda item 3.1.7. Other issues

22. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to hold an initial discussion on concepts for further work on additionality, including probabilistic approaches for additionality and criteria for negative lists.

Background: The work is based on a request by the Board, at its eighty-fifth meeting (EB 85 report para. 38) and the approved workplan for panels and working groups 2016 (EB 88, annex 3) to revise the concept note in a joint recommendation with the secretariat, assessing the possibility and potential implications of: (a) Introducing probabilistic approaches for additionality, taking into account, inter alia, their usability, the data requirements and how they may relate to the sensitivity analysis of investment analysis; (b) Determining criteria for negative lists and developing negative lists of project types that are clearly not additional; (c) Reassessing in specific situations the baseline scenario at the time of renewal of the crediting period; (d) Removing the requirement of prior consideration; (e) Removing the first of its kind as an approach to demonstrate additionality; (f) Introducing a threshold beyond which CDM projects are considered in the common practice analysis.

23. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to consider the issue of a new project activity in the same physical or geographical location of an existing CDM project whose crediting period has expired.

Background: The work is based on a request by the Board, at its eighty-sixth meeting (EB 86 report, para. 35) to revise the concept note in a joint recommendation with the secretariat, taking into account the comments of the Board and in particular to further analyse: (a) Whether meeting all or part of the conditions elaborated in the concept note (para. 13) is sufficient to exempt a project activity from the communication procedure specified in the clarification issued by the Board at its eighty-third meeting (CDM-EB 83-A01); (b) Whether the distributed units can be exempted from following the communication process specified in the clarification issued by the Board at its eighty-third meeting (CDM-EB 83-A01).

Agenda item 4. Conclusion of the meeting

24. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel may wish to approve the internal and external reports of the 69th meeting.
25. ► **Action:** The Chair may wish to close the meeting.

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