

**CDM-AP79**

## Meeting report

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## **Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization**

### **Agenda item 1.1. Opening**

1. The Chair of the Clean Development Mechanism Accreditation Panel (hereinafter referred to as the CDM-AP), Mr. Kazunari Kainou, opened the meeting and welcomed the new member Ms. Anastasia Northland to the CDM-AP.
2. The CDM-AP noted that the Vice-Chair, Mr. Balisi Gopolang, could not attend the first day of the meeting and that Ms. Veronica Garcia Malo was not able to attend the meeting. Both had provided proper justification for their absence. Table 1 below presents the attendance of members at the meeting held from 11 to 13 October 2017; the names of those present at the meeting are in bold print.

**Table 1. Attendance**

<b>Chair and Vice-Chair</b>	<b>Members</b>
<b>Mr. Kazunari Kainou (Chair)</b>	<b>Ms. Anastasia Northland</b>
<b>Mr. Balisi Gopolang (Vice-Chair)</b>	<b>Mr. Anil Jauhri</b>
	<b>Mr. Ricardo Esparta</b>
	<b>Mr. Sven Gunther Kolmetz</b>
	Ms. Verónica García Malo

### **Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda**

3. The agenda of the seventy-ninth meeting of the CDM-AP (AP 79) was adopted as presented.
4. The CDM-AP considered information provided by members, the Chair and the Vice-Chair with respect to any potential conflict of interest.

## **Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters**

### **Agenda item 2.1. Performance management**

5. The CDM-AP took note of a report on the implementation of the 2017 assessment plan.
6. The CDM-AP took note of a report on launching performance assessments. On 1 June 2017 the CDM validation and verification standard for project activities (version 01.0) (VVS) came into force. Paragraph 343 of the VVS provides conditions under which a designated operational entity (DOE) may opt out of conducting an on-site inspection during a verification activity. This is already constraining the verification activities suitable for performance assessments, given that paragraph 88 of the CDM accreditation procedure (version 13.0) specifies that a performance assessment of a verification activity must be carried out at the project activity site.
7. Based on the paragraph above, the CDM-AP recommends that the Board provide a mandate to review the relevant accreditation requirements with a view to enable, as applicable, options and modalities for performance assessments of verification activities.

8. The CDM-AP took note of a report on delays in ongoing assessments and took note that the number of delays has been decreasing with time.
9. The CDM-AP considered the availability of public information on DOEs and made the following recommendations to the Board:
  - (a) Increase transparency on DOEs' profile page by making more information available, *inter alia*, the expiry date, re-accreditation dates, and withdrawal dates easily accessible.
  - (b) Clearly indicate on the accredited entity list page:
    - (i) Accreditation status;
    - (ii) Withdrawal status.

#### **Agenda item 2.2. Matters related to the panel**

10. The CDM-AP took note of the outcomes of the ninety-fifth and ninety-sixth meetings of the Board that are relevant to the work of the CDM-AP.

#### **Agenda item 3. Rulings (case-specific matters)**

11. The CDM-AP considered two re-accreditation cases. The CDM-AP's recommendation on these cases will be submitted to the Board in confidence.
12. The CDM-AP considered eight regular surveillance cases. The CDM-AP's notifications and recommendation on these cases will be submitted to the Board in confidence.
13. The CDM-AP considered nine performance assessments. The CDM-AP's notifications on these cases will be submitted to the Board in confidence.
14. The CDM-AP took note of two notifications of voluntary withdrawal of accreditation.
15. The CDM-AP considered 10 notifications of change.
16. The CDM-AP considered two other issues concerning DOEs. The CDM-AP's recommendations on these cases will be submitted to the Board in confidence.

#### **Agenda item 4. Relations with forums and other stakeholders**

17. No interaction with the DOE and accredited independent entity (DOE/AIE) Coordination Forum chair took place during this meeting, as the chair did not have any comments on the annotated agenda of the meeting.
18. The CDM-AP interacted with a group of 16 lead assessors and trainee lead assessors from the CDM accreditation roster of experts (ARoE). The purpose of the interaction was to facilitate the exchange of views on the implementation of the CDM accreditation requirements and, specifically for this session, to consult on requests for clarifications on the CDM accreditation standard (version 06). The CDM-AP considered the queries presented by the lead assessors and provided input for the further elaboration of

responses. In closing, the CDM-AP expressed its gratitude for the hard work done by the lead assessors and looks forward to such productive interactions in the future.

## **Agenda item 5. Conclusion of the meeting**

19. The CDM-AP approved the report of the seventy-ninth meeting.
20. The Chair of the CDM-AP closed the meeting.

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