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# Annotations to the proposed agenda

# Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

## Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. ► Action: The Chair of the Methodologies Panel (MP) shall <u>open</u> the seventy-sixth meeting of the panel.

## Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. Action: The MP may wish to <u>adopt</u> the proposed agenda for the 76<sup>th</sup> meeting.

*Background:* The agenda was drawn up based on submission requests, the workplan of the MP for 2018 and mandates from the clean development mechanism (CDM) Executive Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board).

3. ► Action: Members of the MP 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 30 of the "Terms of reference of the support structure of the CDM Executive Board (version 05.0)" members of a panel or working group shall abide by the code of conduct of the Board. 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.

# Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

### Agenda item 2.1. Matters related to the MP

4. Action: The MP may wish to <u>take note</u> of the updated workplan of the MP for 2018.

*Background*: The workplan was adopted at the ninety-eighth meeting of the Board in March 2018 and specifies products and routine operations that the MP is requested to consider during the year. As the MP and SSC WG have been merged, items scheduled for the SSC WG have been merged into the work of the MP. Elsewhere in these annotations, where a mandate refers to the SSC WG it should be read as applying to the MP.

5. • Action: The MP may wish to <u>take note</u> of the update on the outcomes of the ninetyninth meeting of the Board relevant to the work of the MP.

*Background:* There has been one Board meeting (EB 99 in April 2018) since the last MP meeting, MP 75 in March 2018.

#### Agenda item 2.2. Upcoming deadlines of relevance to stakeholders

6. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>take note</u> of the date for the 77<sup>th</sup> meeting of the MP taking place from 1–4 October 2018.

*Background:* The calendar of meetings for the Board and its panels was approved by the Board at its ninety-eighth meeting.

7. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>confirm</u> the deadline for submissions to be considered at the 77<sup>th</sup> meeting of the MP.

*Background:* The secretariat shall publish the deadlines for the submission of proposals of new methodologies, requests for revisions and requests for clarifications to be considered by the MP at its next meeting. The panel shall make every effort to initiate the consideration of the proposal at the meeting, taking into account the priorities set by the Chair of the panel for that meeting.

# Agenda item 3. Regulatory matters

8. Action: The MP may wish to <u>take note</u> of the overview of the top-down and bottom-up proposed standardized baselines.

*Background:* The secretariat will brief the MP on the status of top-down and bottom-up proposed standardized baselines processed in accordance with the procedure "Development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines" (version 04.1)".<sup>1</sup>

9. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>take note</u> of the update on relevant work carried out by consultants and desk reviews finalized since the last meeting of the panel.

*Background:* The secretariat will brief the MP on relevant work carried out by consultants and desk reviews finalized since the last meeting of the MP in accordance with the procedure "Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools" (version 02.1).<sup>2</sup>

### Agenda item 3.1. Standards/tools

#### (a). Standards for CDM project activities and programmes of activities

10. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>take note</u> that no proposed standardized baselines are to be considered at this meeting.

*Background:* Development of standardized baselines are based on bottom-up submissions or top-down process in accordance with the procedure "Development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines" (version 4.1).<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The procedure is available on the UNFCCC website at: <a href="http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth">http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth</a>>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The procedure is available on the UNFCCC website at: <a href="http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth">http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth</a>>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at: <a href="http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth">http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth</a>>.

#### (b). Methodological standards for large-scale CDM project activities

#### (i). New methodologies and tools (large-scale)

11. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>recommend</u> for approval the new tool "Determination of standardized baselines for energy efficiency measures in residential, commercial and institutional buildings".

*Background:* The Board, at its eighty-fifth meeting (EB 85 report, para. 39), considered a concept note on the development of standards with a methodological framework for two specific project types for development of standardized baselines and approved the identified sectors for development of standards for standardized baselines, i.e. energy-efficient appliances for residential application and energy efficiency in buildings.

#### (ii). Revisions to approved methodologies and tools (large-scale)

- 12. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>recommend</u> for approval the top-down revision of the following methodology and tool:
  - (a) AM0036 "Fuel switch from fossil fuels to biomass residues in heat generation equipment";

*Background*: The Board, at its eighty-third meeting (EB 83 report, para. 44) requested the MP to revise relevant approved methodologies to introduce reference to the revised TOOL16 "Project and leakage emissions from biomass" (subsequently revised at EB 96) and to recommend the revised methodologies to the Board for its consideration at a future meeting.

(b) TOOL07 "Tool to calculate the emission factor for an electricity system".

*Background*: The tool was added to the agenda, at MP75, in accordance with paragraph 75 of the procedure "Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools" (version 02.1).

- 13. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>consider</u> the top-down revision of the following methodology and tool and <u>open</u> a call for public input after the meeting:
  - (a) AM0082 "Use of charcoal from planted renewable biomass in the iron ore reduction process through the establishment of a new iron ore reduction system";

*Background*: The Board, at its eighty-third meeting (EB 83 report, para. 44) requested the MP to revise relevant approved methodologies to introduce reference to the revised TOOL16 "Project and leakage emissions from biomass" (subsequently revised at EB 96) and to recommend the revised methodologies to the Board for its consideration at a future meeting.

(b) TOOL06 "Project emissions from flaring".

*Background:* The Board, at its eighty-fifth meeting (EB 85 report, para. 51), requested the MP to recommend a revision to TOOL06 to include non-binding best-practice examples.

14. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>initiate discussion</u> on the top-down revision of ACM0002 "Grid-connected electricity generation from renewable sources".

*Background:* The Board, at its ninety-ninth meeting (EB 99 report, para. 30), revised ACM0002 to extend the validity of the positive list from 26 April 2018 to 25 April 2019. Work is starting now to ensure a timely recommendation by the MP on the update of the positive list.

- 15. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>initiate discussion</u> on the top-down revision of the following methodologies and tool:
  - (a) ACM0006 "Electricity and heat generation from biomass";
  - (b) ACM0019 "N2O abatement from nitric acid production";

*Background:* The Board, at its ninety-ninth meeting (EB 99 report, para. 28), requested the MP to recommend a revision to ACM0006 and ACM0019 to include non-binding best-practice examples.

(c) TOOL27 "Investment analysis".

*Background*: The Board, at its eighty-fifth meeting (EB 85 report, para 50), requested the MP to update the default values for the cost of equity in the appendix to the tool annually.

#### (iii). Requests for clarification of methodologies and tools (large-scale)

16. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>note</u> that no requests for clarification of methodologies or tools have been received by the MP since the last meeting.

*Background*: Requests for clarification are considered by the MP in accordance with the procedure "Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools" (version 02.1).<sup>4</sup>

#### (c). Methodological standards for small-scale CDM project activities

#### (i). New methodologies and tools (small-scale)

17. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>recommend</u> for approval the new methodology AMS-III.XX "Efficient Operation of Public Transport".

*Background:* The Board, at its eighty-ninth meeting (EB 89 report, para. 33(b)), considered the concept note "Proposal on top-down methodological work for the transport sector" and agreed to initiate work on the development of a new top-down methodology for the improved operation of public transportation, e.g. improved transit logistics, smart traffic systems.

#### (ii). Revisions to approved methodologies and tools (small-scale)

- 18. ► *Action:* The MP may wish to <u>recommend</u> for approval the top-down revision of the following methodologies:
  - (a) AMS-III.AJ "Recovery and recycling of materials from solid wastes";

*Background:* The Board, at its ninety-fourth meeting (EB 94 report, para. 46), requested the SSC WG to review and update the global default factors contained in the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website <a href="http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth">http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth</a>.

methodologies AMS-III.AJ and AMS-III.BA "Recovery and recycling of materials from solid wastes", taking into account recent publications and scientific information.

(b) AMS-III.AV "Low greenhouse gas emitting safe drinking water production systems";

*Background: The* Board, at its eighty-third meeting (EB 83 report, para. 32), agreed on the priority methodologies for the inclusion of non-binding best practice examples, which included AMS-III.AV. The MP, at its 74<sup>th</sup> meeting (MP 74 report, para. 34), identified additional elements in the methodology that required revision. Subsequently the Board, at its ninety-seventh meeting (EB 97 report, para. 32), requested the MP to revise AMS-III.AV to improve the accuracy of emission reduction estimation methods contained in the methodology.

(c) AMS-III.BA "Recovery and recycling of materials from E-waste";

*Background*: The Board, at its ninety-fourth meeting (EB 94 report, para. 46), requested the SSC WG to review and update the global default factors contained in the methodologies AMS-III.AJ and AMS-III.BA, taking into account recent publications and scientific information.

(d) AMS-III.BK "Strategic feed supplementation in smallholder dairy sector to increase productivity".

*Background*: The Board, at its eighty-ninth meeting (EB 89 report, para. 34), requested the SSC WG, in consultation with the MP, and the secretariat, to initiate the work on the proposed revisions of approved methodologies, including AMS-III.BK.

- 19. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>consider</u> the top-down revisions of the following methodologies and <u>open</u> a call for public input after the meeting:
  - (a) AMS-I.E "Switch from non-renewable biomass for thermal applications by the user";
  - (b) AMS-I.J "Solar water heating systems (SWH)";
  - (c) AMS-II.G "Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable biomass";
  - (d) AMS-III.AR "Substituting fossil fuel based lighting with LED/CFL lighting systems".

*Background:* The Board, at its ninety-ninth meeting (EB 99 report, para 35), requested the MP to add positive lists of technologies together with a market penetration check (5% threshold) in each of the preceding methodologies.

20. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>consider</u> the top-down revision of TOOL19 "Demonstration of additionality of microscale project activities" and <u>open</u> a call for public input after the meeting;

*Background:* The Board, at its ninety-ninth meeting (EB 99 report, para 35), requested the MP to asses, in the same way as was done for TOOL21, the appropriateness of the thresholds in TOOL19.

21. Action: The MP may wish to <u>initiate discussion</u> on the top-down revision of the following methodology and tool:

(a) AMS-II.G "Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable biomass";

*Background:* The Board, at its ninety-ninth meeting (EB 99 report, para 28), requested the MP to include non-binding best-practice examples.

(b) TOOL21 "Demonstration of additionality of small-scale project activities";

*Background:* The Board, at its eighty-seventh meeting (EB 87 report, para. 49), agreed to maintain the positive list in TOOL21. Work is starting now to ensure a timely recommendation by the MP on the update of the positive list.

22. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>consider</u> the submitted request for revision SSC\_737: "Additional options to calculate emission reductions due to RPC intervention at demand side" (regards AMS-II.T Ver. 1.0).

*Background*: Requests for revision are considered by the MP in accordance with the procedure "Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools" (version 02.1).<sup>5</sup>

#### (iii). Requests for clarification of methodologies and tools (small-scale)

23. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>note</u> that no request for clarification regarding small-scale methodologies or tools are to be considered at this meeting.

*Background*: Requests for clarification are considered by the MP in accordance with the procedure "Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools" (version 02.1).<sup>6</sup>

#### Agenda item 3.1.1. Post-registration changes

24. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>note</u> that no requests for post-registration changes for small-scale and large-scale methodologies or tools have been received by the MP since the last meeting.

*Background*: In accordance with the CDM project cycle procedures for project activities and programmes of activities (PoAs),<sup>7</sup> a designated operation entity (DOE) may submit a request for approval of post-registration changes. If the secretariat, during the preparation of the summary note, identifies issues that require input 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The procedure is available on the UNFCCC CDM website <a href="http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth">http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth</a>>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The procedures are available on the UNFCCC CDM website <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html>.

#### Agenda item 3.1.2. Deviations from approved methodologies and tools

25. Action: The MP may wish to <u>note</u> that no request for input to deviations from smallscale and large scale methodologies or tools has been received since the last meeting.

*Background:* In accordance with the CDM project cycle procedures for project activities and PoAs,<sup>8</sup> a DOE may submit a request for deviation. 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 3.2. Other issues

26. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>recommend</u> for approval the revision of the "Guidelines for the establishment of sector specific standardized baselines".

*Background:* The revision of the guideline is based on a mandate provided by the Board at its eighty-ninth meeting (EB 89 report, para. 37). The Board considered a revision of the guideline, for approval at its ninety-sixth meeting (EB 96 report, para. 27), and requested the MP to further on work on this item based on the guidance provided.

- 27. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>consider</u> the use of the CDM in urban sectors, covering the following aspects, and <u>open</u> a call for public input after the meeting:
  - (a) Guidelines for developing CDM projects in the urban context;
  - (b) Best-practice examples for inclusion in a PoA-DD template;
  - (c) Standardization of parameters.

*Background:* The Board, at its ninety-seventh meeting (EB 97 report, para. 26), noted the information note "CDM in urban sectors" (MP74 report, annex 15) and requested the MP to continue the work on guidelines for developing CDM projects in the urban context, best-practice examples in a PoA-DD template, and standardization of parameters.

28. ► Action: The MP may wish to <u>initiate discussion</u> on the concept note "Updating positive lists".

*Background:* The Board, at its ninety-ninth meeting (EB 99 report, para. 30) requested the MP to prepare a concept note including options for updating positive lists of technologies contained in methodologies, addressing issues such as grace periods, process and criteria for updating.

# Agenda item 4. Conclusion of the meeting

29. Action: The MP may wish to <u>adopt</u> the report of the 76<sup>th</sup> meeting.

<sup>8</sup> The procedures are available on the UNFCCC CDM website <a href="http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html">http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html</a>.

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