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Draft Methodologies Panel workplan 2020

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1. Procedural background

1. The mandates of the Methodologies Panel (MP) are determined by their terms of reference, the rules of procedure of the CDM Executive Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) of the clean development mechanism (CDM), and additional guidance provided by the Board in the course of the year, including in the approved workplan developed within the context of the CDM business and management plan 2020–2021.
2. The practice of the Board is to adopt the workplan of the MP at the first meeting of the year, in order that the mandated work for 2020 is clear and transparent.

2. Purpose

3. The draft workplan of the MP for 2020 provides an overview of the expected activities of the panel. This ensures a balanced workload throughout the year and efficient use of meeting time.

3. Key issues and proposed solutions

4. The draft workplan of the MP for 2020 provides details of the activities, expected outputs and timelines for finalizing the recommendations and deliverables for the Board's consideration. The workplan is in accordance with the draft workplan of the Board for 2020.

4. Impacts

5. The workplan of the MP for 2020 will serve as a meeting management tool and the basis for monitoring progress of the work undertaken by the MP in 2020.

5. Subsequent work and timelines

6. Once approved, the workplan of the MP for 2020 will be updated continuously and the status on the implementation of the workplan will be reported to the MP and its Chair and Vice-chair.

6. Recommendations to the Board

7. The secretariat recommends that the Board approve the workplan of the MP for 2020.

1. Introduction

1. The support structure of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (CDM) (hereinafter referred to as the Board) consisting of the CDM Accreditation Panel, the Methodologies Panel (MP), the Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group and the Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage Working Group is established under the Board to assist in the performance of its functions related to the accreditation system and methodological issues concerning CDM project activities.
2. The mandates of the panels and working groups are determined by their terms of reference, the rules of procedure of the Board, and additional guidance provided by the Board.
3. The workplan of the MP for 2020 outlines the expected tasks to support the Board and has been developed within the context of the CDM business and management plan 2020–2021. The workplan includes the routine operation activities to be performed by the MP as well as mandates from the Board.

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2. Methodologies Panel workplan for 2020

Table 1. Methodologies Panel workplan 2020

Activity	Product	MP 81	MP 82	MP 83	EB consideration	Comments and mandates
Evaluation of requests for post-registration changes to projects and programmes of activities (PoAs)	Input to the changes to registered CDM projects and PoAs	Input	Input	Input	N/A	Input as applicable upon request by the secretariat. Procedure: CDM project cycle procedure
Evaluation of requests for approval of new methodologies, revision and clarification of methodologies	Proposed new methodologies submitted by proponents	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 106 EB 107 EB 108	Recommendation based on submissions received. Procedure: Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools
	Requests for revision of approved methodologies or methodological tools submitted by proponents	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 106 EB 107 EB 108	
	Requests for clarification of approved methodologies or methodological tools submitted by enquirers (bottom-up process) (including fast track clarifications that involve the MP)	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 106 EB 107 EB 108	

Activity	Product	MP 81	MP 82	MP 83	EB consideration	Comments and mandates
Evaluation of requests for automatically additional micro-scale renewable technologies	Requests for approval of microscale renewable technologies that confer automatic additionality to applied project activities	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 106 EB 107 EB 108	Recommendation based on submissions received. Procedure: Submission and consideration of microscale renewable energy technologies for automatic additionality
Evaluation of standardized baselines	Proposed standardized baseline submissions from designated national authorities (DNAs)	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 106 EB 107 EB 108	Recommendation based on submissions received. Procedure: Development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines
	Proposed revised standardized baseline submissions from DNAs	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 106 EB 107 EB 108	
	Requests for clarification of standardized baselines submitted by enquirer	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 106 EB 107 EB 108	
	Proposed updated standardized baselines submissions from DNAs	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 106 EB 107 EB 108	
Evaluation of stakeholder communications	Input to the letters to the Board	Input	Input	Input	NA	Input as applicable upon request by the secretariat/Board. Procedure: Direct communication with stakeholders

Activity	Product	MP 81	MP 82	MP 83	EB consideration	Comments and mandates
Response to methodological requests from the Board	Revised methodological “ TOOL27 : Investment analysis”			Launch call for public input*	EB 108	Annual update EB85 report para. 50 *Recommendation – through electronic consultation after MP83, late submission to EB 108
	Revision of “ AMS-I.E : Switch from non-renewable biomass for thermal applications by the user” and “ AMS-II.G : Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable biomass” for inclusion of best practice examples	Discussion	Launch call for public input	Recommendation	EB 108	EB105 report para. 42
	Validity of the standardized baselines for the grid emission factor that are mandatory to use in the country or region	Recommendation			EB 106	EB105 report para. 35
	Consistent use of market share, market saturation, market penetration and penetration rate	Discussion	Concept		EB 107	EB105 report para. 34 EB101 report para. 30

Activity	Product	MP 81	MP 82	MP 83	EB consideration	Comments and mandates
Response to methodological requests from the Board (cont.)	Revision of “ AMS-II.E: Energy efficiency and fuel switching measures for buildings” to include methods and equations to calculate emission reductions for projects that do not apply “TOOL31: Determination of standardized baselines for energy efficiency measures in residential, commercial and institutional buildings”	Launch call for public input	Recommendation		EB 107	EB103 report para. 35
	Revision of “ ACM0016: Mass Rapid Transit Projects” to improve consistency with methodology “AM0031: Bus rapid transit projects”	Discussion	Discussion	Recommendation*	EB 108	EB102 report para. 40 *Call for public input in 2019
	Revisions of “ ACM0006: Electricity and heat generation from biomass”, “ AM0036: Fuel switch from fossil fuels to biomass residues in heat generation equipment” and “ ACM0018: Electricity generation from biomass in power-only plants” to address inconsistencies and ambiguities:	Discussion	Recommendation*		EB 107	EB102 report para. 41 *Call for public input in 2019

Activity	Product	MP 81	MP 82	MP 83	EB consideration	Comments and mandates
Response to methodological requests from the Board (cont.)	Revision of “ ACM0003 : Partial substitution of fossil fuels in cement or quicklime manufacture” to introduce reference to “ TOOL16 : Project and leakage emissions from biomass” and improve fuel penalty	Discussion	Launch call for public input	Recommendation	EB 108	EB102 report para. 39 EB101 report para. 35
	Updated default efficiency factors in “ TOOL09 : Determining the baseline efficiency of thermal or electric energy generation systems”	Recommendation*			EB 106	EB94 report para. 39 *Call for public input in 2019

Table 2. MP workplan 2020 number of items ^(a)

Numbers of items	MP 81	MP 82	MP 83
Concept / Info / Input	2	3	2
Launch call for public input	1	2	1
Recommendation	10	10	11
Discussion	5	1	0
Total	18	16	14

^(a) Total of items 2020: 48

Table 3. Legend

Legend	
Concept	Concept for the Board prepared by the MP or by the MP and secretariat jointly (based on the mandate from the Board)
Info	Information to the Board (either through written document such as Information note or oral update)
Input	Input by the MP to secretariat documents (e.g. concept notes, letters to the Board, post-registration changes etc.)
Launch call for public input	The MP launches the call for public input as per the procedure
Recommendation	Recommendation to the Board (final recommendation, e.g. approval or rejection of new/revised methodologies, tools, standardized baselines)
Discussion	The MP discusses the item; however no product is expected out of the meeting. The item is work-in-progress

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