Regional DNA Forum Meetings in 2020

Open to DNAs only

Background

 The Executive Board of the Clean Development Mechanism established the Designated National Authorities Forum (DNA Forum) in response to a request from the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) at its first session. The CMP requested the Executive Board to broaden participation in the CDM, including through regular meetings with a DNA forum. Paragraph 36 of decision 7/CMP.1 reads:

Requests the Executive Board to broaden participation in the clean development mechanism, including through meetings with a designated national authority forum on a regular basis, in conjunction with meetings of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol and its subsidiary bodies;

- The DNA Forum provides opportunities for DNA representatives to exchange views, share their experiences relating to the CDM and bring forward common views and issues to the attention of the Executive Board. So far, the secretariat organized 20 physical annual DNA Forum meetings. About 90 countries attend the global meeting each year. Plenary sessions are run in English, French and Spanish.
- 3. In accordance with the "Procedure: Direct communication with stakeholders",¹ the Executive Board allocates time twice a year during Board meetings for interaction with the DNA Forum through its co-chairs. Mr. Kudakwashe Manyanga (Zimbabwe) and Mr. David Hynes (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) are the current DNA Forum Global Co-chairs who interacted with the Executive Board at EB 106 presenting an agenda for 2020 DNA events. The Co-chairs are also expected to present at EB 108 meeting on outcome of the four DNA forum events.
- 4. As per the CDM two-year business and management plan 2020-2021,² the secretariat has the mandate to deliver four DNA forum events each year.

Regional DNA Forum meetings 2020 – 3 events

- 5. The 3 regional DNA Forum meetings in 2020 were planned in the margins of regional climate weeks. However, due to concerns regarding COVID-19, Regional Climate Weeks planned for 2020 are now postponed to 2021 (new dates to be announced). The current plan to deliver these physical events as per the CDM two-year business and management plan 2020-2021 is through virtual means with support from RCCs.
- 6. Regional DNA Forum meetings (2-hour session X 1 day) x 3 events will be delivered in virtual format between CDM EB 107 and CDM EB 108 meetings i.e. between 2 and 12 November. The primary objective of the regional events is to discuss issues relating to the CDM in the regional context and bring forward common views and issues to the CDM Executive Board through the Global DNA Forum Meeting, scheduled to take place from 11 to 12 November 2020, in virtual format.

DNA webinars - 2 events

¹ <u>https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20150224183036545/eb_proc03.pdf</u>

² https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20190913162610355/Info note83.pdf

7. Two webinars for DNAs on standardized baselines and carbon market are organized back to back with two regional DNA forum meetings. Agenda for these two events are not included in this paper.

Schedule for the three regional DNA Forum events and two DNA webinars

- 8. The following is the schedule considering the day light saving time:
- AP and MENA region: (2 hours X2)=4 hours on Mon and Tue 2 and 3 Nov English both days starting at 8 am Bonn/11 am Dubai/2 pm Bangkok/7 pm Suva
 - o Mon 2 Nov. DNA webinar on Domestic and International Carbon Markets
 - Tue 3 Nov. Regional DNA Forum meeting
- Africa region: 2 hours on Thu 5 Nov English and French starting at 1 pm Bonn/3 pm Kampala/12 pm Lome
 - Thu 5 Nov. Regional DNA Forum meeting
- LAC region: (2 hours X2)=4 hours on Mon and Tue 9 and 10 Nov English and Spanish both days starting at **3 pm Bonn/9 am Panama/10 am St. George's**
 - Mon 9 Nov. Regional DNA Forum meeting
 - o Tue 10 Nov. DNA Webinar on Standardized Baselines

Provisional agenda for the three regional DNA Forum meetings

9. The proposed structure for the regional DNA Forum meetings in 2020 is as follows:³

Agenda	Segment run by	Time allocation
Opening	UNFCCC secretariat	10 minutes
	EB representatives from the region	
	DNA Forum Regional Co-chairs	
Future of the CDM: EB 107	UNFCCC secretariat	15 minutes
outcome on implication of		
postponement of CMP 16		
Collection of input for DNA	DNA Forum Regional Co-chairs	25 minutes
Forum Co-chairs' interaction at	EB representatives from the region	
CDM EB 108		
- CDM state of play in respective		
countries		
- Strengthening the CDM and its		
benefits		
BREAK/PHOTO		10 minutes
Regional CDM Support	UNFCCC RCCs	25 minutes
Carbon finance: World Bank	World Bank representative	20 minutes
regional outlook		
Election matter	DNA Forum Regional Co-chairs	5 minutes
Closing	DNA Forum Regional Co-chairs	10 minutes
	UNFCCC secretariat	

³ A proposal of topics to be discussed at DNA forum meetings in 2020 were presented by the DNA Co-chairs to the Executive Board at EB 106 meeting. Co-chairs prepared this proposal based on inputs received from DNAs through a call for input that was open from 14 to 30 April 2020.