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Draft Methodologies Panel workplan 2021

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COVER NOTE

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 2021 is clear and transparent.

2. Purpose

3. The draft workplan of the MP for 2021 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 2021 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 2021.

4. Impacts

5. The workplan of the MP for 2021 will serve as a meeting management tool and the basis for monitoring progress of the work undertaken by the MP in 2021.

5. Subsequent work and timelines

6. Once approved, the workplan of the MP for 2021 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 2021.

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 2021 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.

2. Methodologies Panel workplan 2021

Table 1. Methodologies Panel workplan 2021

Activity	Product	MP 84	MP 85	MP 86	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 110 EB 111 EB 112	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 110 EB 111 EB 112	
	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 110 EB 111 EB 112	

Activity	Product	MP 84	MP 85	MP 86	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 110 EB 111 EB 112	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 110 EB 111 EB 112	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 110 EB 111 EB 112	
	Requests for clarification of standardized baselines submitted by enquirer	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 110 EB 111 EB 112	
	Proposed updated standardized baselines submissions from DNAs	Recommendation	Recommendation	Recommendation	EB 110 EB 111 EB 112	
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
Response to methodological requests from the Board	Revision of "TOOL27: Investment analysis"	Discussion	Discussion	Recommendation preceded by call	EB 112	Annual update EB85 report para. 50

Activity	Product	MP 84	MP 85	MP 86	EB consideration	Comments and mandates
Response to methodological requests from the Board (<i>cont.</i>)	Revision of "ACM0016: Mass Rapid Transit Projects" to improve consistency with methodology "AM0031: Bus rapid transit projects" and with the "Standard: Sampling and surveys for CDM project activities and programmes of activities" and the "Guideline: Guidelines for sampling and surveys for CDM project activities and programmes of activities"	Launch call for public input	Recommendation		EB 111	EB106 report para. 40 EB102 report para. 40
	Revision of "AM0031: Bus rapid transit projects" to ensure consistency with the "Standard: Sampling and surveys for CDM project activities and programmes of activities" and the "Guideline: Guidelines for sampling and surveys for CDM project activities and programmes of activities"	Launch call for public input	Recommendation		EB 111	EB106 report para. 40

Activity	Product	MP 84	MP 85	MP 86	EB consideration	Comments and mandates
Response to methodological requests from the Board (<i>cont.</i>)	Revision of "AM0027: Substitution of CO2 from fossil or mineral origin by CO2 from renewable sources in the production of inorganic compounds"	Launch call for public input	Recommendation		EB111	EB107 report para. 36
	Revision of "ACM0022: Alternative waste treatment processes"	Launch call for public input	Recommendation		EB111	EB107 report para. 37
	Revision of the CDM Glossary of terms on definitions for the terminologies associated with penetration of technology/measures	Input			EB110	EB108 report para. 30 a)
	Amendments to PSs: Consistent approach to the data vintage and data sources used for the determination of penetration of technology/measure	Discussion	Input		EB111	EB108 report para. 30 b)
	Revision of "TOOL23: Additionality of first-of-its-kind project activities" and "TOOL24: Common practice"	Discussion	Launch call for public input	Recommendation	EB112	EB108 report para. 30 c)
	Concept note: Analysis and options regarding caps used in AMS-I.E, AMS-II.G and TOOL30	Discussion	Concept		EB111	EB108 report para. 37

Activity	Product	MP 84	MP 85	MP 86	EB consideration	Comments and mandates
Response to methodological requests from the Board (<i>cont.</i>)	Revision of “AMS-III.AJ.: Recovery and recycling of materials from solid wastes”	Discussion	Launch call for public input	Recommendation	EB112	EB108 report para. 38
	Revision of “TOOL32 Positive list of technologies”	Discussion	Launch call for public input	Recommendation	EB112	TOOL32 para. 6: The positive lists as contained in section 5 of this tool are valid up to 28 November 2021

Table 2. MP workplan 2021 number of items ^(a)

Numbers of items	MP 84	MP 85	MP 86
Concept / Info / Input	3	4	2
Launch call for public input	4	3	1
Recommendation	8	12	12
Discussion	6	1	0
Total	21	20	15

^(a) Total of items 2021: 56

Table 3. Legend

Legend	
Concept	Concept for the Board prepared by the MP or by the MP and the 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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