



Annex 27

PRIORITY AREAS FOR THE FORTHCOMING REVISION OF THE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES

(Version 01)

I. Background

1. The latest revision of the “Procedures for registration of a programme of activities as a single CDM project activity and issuance of certified emission reductions for a programme of activities” was made by the clean development mechanism (CDM) Executive Board at its fifty-fifth meeting. In support of its work related objective 4 of the CDM management plan 2011 and in response to paragraph 4 of decision 3/CMP.6, the Board launched a call for public inputs on programme of activities (PoAs) at its fifty-ninth meeting. A summary of the inputs received is contained in annex 7 to the annotated agenda of the Board’s sixtieth meeting.

2. Following consideration of the summary, the Board agreed to provide guidance to the secretariat for priority areas to be addressed in the context of the deliverables contained in the CDM management plan 2011.

II. Priorities and specific expectations for 2011

3. The Board considered that the following issues should be considered as a high priority to be addressed through the 2011 workplan:

- (a) Providing stakeholders with guidance on the demonstration and assessment of additionality at the programme level, in particular for policy-driven programmes;
- (b) Enhancing the flexibility of the regulatory framework in manner that facilitates the development of programmes applying multiple emission reductions measures or technologies in a co-ordinated fashion, noting that it is likely that such programmes may need to apply multiple approved methodologies;
- (c) Providing clarity with regard to the expectations for eligibility criteria for the inclusion of component project activities (CPAs);
- (d) Providing the Board with options for addressing the uncertainty of potential liabilities arising from erroneous inclusion of CPAs.

4. The Board agreed that the work on this matter should be progressed in conjunction with the consolidation of project cycle rules and requirements into clear standards and procedures. The Board requested the secretariat to develop the project cycle consolidation in a manner that is unambiguous regarding the applicability of project requirements to programmes and ensures that exemptions and derogations are explicitly defined.

5. The Board expects that the draft deliverables to be prepared for consideration at its sixty-third meeting will include:



- (a) Standards for the development and operation of a programme of activities, which should include standards for the coordination of programmes applying multiple emissions reduction methods;
 - (b) Standards for the development of eligibility criteria for the inclusion of CPAs;
 - (c) A standard for the demonstration of additionality of a programme of activities;
 - (d) Standards and guidelines related to sampling;
 - (e) Revised procedures to address the erroneous inclusion of CPAs.
6. The Board encouraged the secretariat to ensure broad consultation on draft deliverables with stakeholders and with relevant panels and working groups.
7. The Board further requested the secretariat to further analysis the inputs received in response to the public call and future submissions to address and clarify as many operational issues as possible regarding the current rules.

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