

Agenda item 5 a

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Establishing a consultative mechanism to support the Board and UNFCCC secretariat on regional and sub-regional distribution and capacity-building

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Background

- The Board at its 59th meeting considered a proposal prepared by the secretariat to establish an advisory forum to meet the objective of enhancement of regional distribution of the CDM project activities and programme of activities (PoAs).
- The Board then requested the secretariat to prepare a concept note on analysis of different forms to establish a consultative mechanism to support the Board in order to meet the objective outlined above.

Scope

- Systematic identification of barriers to CDM projects and Programmes.
- Additional consultation and broadening of existing consultation on regional distribution matters.

Objectives

Removal of barriers to equitable distribution through:

- Having a common and agreed definition and measure(s) of equity
- Tailoring activities in specific regions according to the measurements
- Ensuring broad consultation in the delivery of the work

Analysis

The existing mechanisms are inadequate in meeting the objective for the following reasons:

- Existing mechanisms do not have systematic direct approach for barrier identification and alleviation.
- Existing mechanisms have limited participation which frequently excludes the potential project owners/participants in under represented regions.
- Duplication of initiatives by different agencies as there is no targeted approach with clear roles and responsibilities to address the issue.
- Call for inputs or options for unsolicited submission are beyond reach for small project owners in under represented regions.
- Existing mechanisms have less options to interact with local developmental agencies, industrial organisations and NGOs.

Work Programme

The work programme shall include:

- Establishment of agreed indicators.
- Establishment of groupings based on the indicators and other development indices.
- Elaboration of specific work-programmes project identification and realization in the established groupings based on the established indicators.
- Implementation of the specific work-programmes in co-ordination with interested agencies.

Options for Governance of Work Programme

Three options have been identified:

- The EB can act as an oversight body.
- The secretariat could create an internal mechanism to govern the work.
- Establishment of a new governance structure under Board's authority to oversee the implementation of the work programme.

Consideration by EB

The Board may wish to:

- (a) Take note of the secretariat's proposed work programme and provide additional guidance as required;
- (b) Decide on the appropriate means of ensuring broad consultation in the delivery of this work.