

Areas of revision of the accreditation procedure : Status of consideration by JI-AP 23

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Background

JISC 21:

- Adopted JI accreditation procedure (ver 6)
- Decided to:
 - a) Maintain one successful witnessing activity before granting accreditation
 - b) Replace “ex-post witnessing activities” by “performance assessment”
 - c) Explicitly mention that “suspension/withdrawal of DOE under the CDM” as one of possible reasons for JI-AP to recommend JISC to initiate spot-check
- Requested JI-AP to elaborate modalities including:
 - a) The introduction of time limitations for submission of documentary evidence by AIEs for a witnessing activity;
 - b) The revision of the current grouping of sectoral scopes
 - c) Taking into account all inputs from stakeholders



Change regarding witnessing activities process

Approach

- The secretariat informed the JI-AP of the details of the performance assessment process under the CDM.
- The JI-AP discussed the approach, noting JI-specific aspects, i.e. lower volume of the projects, longer accreditation period, and stronger methodological expertise required.
- JI-AP agreed that the witnessing activity pre-accreditation and the subsequent performance assessment process should be aligned with the CDM performance assessments to the extent reasonable.
- JI-AP requested the secretariat to revise the accreditation procedure accordingly highlighting the differences with the current process for undertaking witnessing activities under the current JI accreditation procedure.



Change regarding witnessing activities process

Criteria for defining the number of projects selected

- One each 3 sectoral scopes accredited for;
- One performance assessment for each 20 submissions of determinations/verifications;
- One performance assessment each two requests for reviews of determinations/verifications.



Change regarding witnessing activities process

Criteria for selection of projects

JI-AP agreed to keep the Criteria for selection of projects for performance assessments flexible, while guided by general principles:

- At least one performance assessment a year;
- Balance of sectoral scopes;
- Balance of project scale;
- Balance of host Parties and regions;
- Balance of projects using the JI-specific approach and the approved CDM methodology approach;
- Balance of determination and verification functions.



Case of suspension under CDM

- **Explicitly mention that “suspension/withdrawal of DOE under the CDM” as one of possible reasons for JI-AP to recommend JISC to initiate spot-check**
- **The JI-AP requested the secretariat to revise the JI accreditation procedure as per the JISC decision for its consideration at its next meeting**



Time limitation for submission of documentary evidence by AIEs for a witnessing activity

- **Before taking decision and in line with the request from the JISC to take into account all inputs from stakeholders, the JI-AP requested the secretariat to ask entities to provide explanation on the delays in the submission of documentary evidence for witnessing projects currently in the pipeline.**



Grouping of sectoral scopes

The JI-AP agreed to abolish the concept of grouping of sectoral scopes

