

Final agenda of the workshop on a framework for various approaches

Friday, 31 August 2012, 10.00–13.00

UNESCAP, Bangkok, Thailand

Chair of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action (AWG-LCA): Aysar Ahmed Al Tayeb

Workshop chair: Alexa Kleysteuber

10.00–10.40	<p>Opening remarks by the workshop chair</p> <p>Presentation of technical paper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Niclas Svenningsen, secretariat
10.40–11.50	<p>Panel 1 – Fundamental principles and relations</p> <p>Expected objectives of a framework, including activities that could be covered. Relationship between the framework and the new market-based mechanism, the Kyoto Protocol mechanisms, and other mechanisms, such as nationally appropriate mitigation actions (NAMAs) and the Green Climate Fund.</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hugh Sealy, Grenada, for the Alliance of Small Island States• Matt Paterson, New Zealand• Alex Hanafi, Environmental Defense Fund <p>Discussion</p>
11.50–12.55	<p>Panel 2 – Tools to operationalize the framework</p> <p>Requirements for the functioning of a framework. Practical options for operationalizing them.</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yuji Mizuno, Japan• Tarsicio Granizo, Ecuador• Andrew Prag, Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development <p>Discussion</p>
12.55–13.00	<p>Concluding remarks by the workshop chair</p>

Discussion questions for the workshop on a framework for various approaches

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Panel 1 – Fundamental principles and relations

Objectives

- 1) To clarify the stated and expected objectives of a framework for various approaches, including the type of activities that could be covered.
- 2) To understand how approaches considered under the framework should relate to the new market-based mechanism, the Kyoto Protocol mechanisms, and other cooperative mechanisms, such as nationally appropriate mitigation actions and the Green Climate Fund.

Suggested discussion questions:

- 1) What is the purpose – beyond agreed principles in Cancun/Durban– for a framework for various approaches? What type of activities should be allowed to be included?
- 2) What should be the relationship between (a) the framework and (b) the new market-based mechanism, the Kyoto Protocol mechanisms, nationally appropriate mitigation actions, and the Green Climate Fund? How can they be made to complement and support, instead of compete with and distort, each other?
- 3) How is the type of activities that would be covered by the framework different from the type of activities that would be covered by the new market-based mechanism?

Panel 2 – Tools to operationalize the framework

Objectives

- 1) To identify key elements that would be required for the functioning of a framework for various approaches.
- 2) To explore practical options for putting these elements into operation.

Suggested discussion questions:

- 1) What are the key elements and/or criteria that have to be included in a framework for various approaches to ensure that activities correspond to real, permanent, verified and additional mitigation outcomes?
- 2) How can the environmental integrity of activities under the framework be assessed/assured? To what extent can existing mechanisms under the Kyoto Protocol serve to inform and support the development of approaches to ensure environmental integrity?
- 3) What process/model should be applied to approve or reject activities (approaches, mechanisms, and units) proposed by Parties under a framework? Should responsibility follow a centralized approval model (similar to the CDM and JI) or a more country-led and -administered approval process?
