Workshop on a framework for various approaches Overview of submissions

Submissions made by Parties and observers under decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 81 Bonn, Germany, 19 May 2012



UNFCCC Secretariat, Sustainable Development Mechanisms Programme

Decision 2/CP.17 - paragraphs 79 & 80

Paragraph 79

"Emphasizes that various approaches, including opportunities for using markets, to enhance the costeffectiveness of, and to promote, mitigation actions, bearing in mind different circumstances of developed and developing countries, must meet standards that deliver real, permanent, additional and verified mitigation outcomes, avoid double counting of effort, and achieve a net decrease and/or avoidance of greenhouse gas emissions;"



Decision 2/CP.17 - paragraphs 79 & 80

Paragraph 80

"Requests the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention to conduct a work programme to consider a framework for such approaches, with a view to recommending a decision to the Conference of the Parties at its eighteenth session;"



Number of submissions

Para 81: Submissions were invited until 5 March 2012

- 32 total submissions received
- 14 from Parties
 - 12 in FCCC/AWGLCA/2012/MISC.4
 - 2 in FCCC/AWGLCA/2012/MISC.4/Add.1
- 18 from admitted observer organizations
 - FCCC/AWGLCA/2012/MISC.5



Aim & purpose of this presentation

- This presentation seeks to present some of the features that have been identified by several parties in their submissions as being pertinent to address in a framework for various approaches.
- The workshop agenda gives parties and organizations that have made submissions opportunity to elaborate their submissions.
- The following slides related to developments outside UNFCCC; Framework purpose; Elements of a credible system; Framework governance; and Relation ship with other mechanisms are based on the submissions received.
- All submissions are available at <u>www.unfccc.int.</u>



Developments outside UNFCCC



- Bilateral, domestic, and voluntary offset programs
- Sub-national, national and regional trading systems
- Other market and non-market approaches



Framework Purpose

- Promote and enhance cost-effectiveness of mitigation actions (2/CP.17 – paragraph 79)
- <u>Recognition</u>: Allow approaches/mechanisms developed outside UNFCCC to be recognized under UNFCCC, and to be counted towards national pledges or targets.
- <u>Coherence</u>: Encourage fungibility of tradable units in global markets
- Information: Increase transparency and consistency



Elements of a credible system

- Standards / Rules / Guidance for:
 - what types of projects/activities are eligible
 - baseline and monitoring methodologies
 - MRV procedures
- Role of existing CDM/JI and IPCC methodologies and procedures
- Approval process for guidance, standards, methodology principles or guidelines



Elements of a credible system

- Flexibility in accounting for national circumstances
- Means to ensure achievement of net decrease of emissions
- Procedures to avoid double-counting of effort
- Recording, reporting, and review of internationallytransferred units
- Differentiation in standards for non-market vs. market approaches



Framework Governance

- Decentralized
 - Parties design and implement their own approaches
 - UNFCCC/COP plays facilitative role and provides assistance with basic principles
- Centralized
 - All approaches used must follow the same methods and procedures
 - UNFCCC/COP plays authoritative role, creating approval process for approaches, establishing detailed rules



Relationship of the framework with:

- New market based mechanism (NMM)
- Existing market mechanism (CDM, JI, ET)
- Nationally appropriate mitigation actions (NAMA)





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