Informal consultations by the Chair of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (AWG-KP) on Kyoto Protocol eligibility issues relating to the second commitment period

12–13 November 2012 Langer Eugen building, room 2705, Hermann-Ehlers-Str. 10, 53113 Bonn, Germany

AGENDA

DAY 1: Monday, 12 November		
08:45-09:45	Registration	
10:00–10:15	Opening by Ms. Madeleine Diouf Sarr, AWG-KP Chair	
10:15–11:30	Session 1: Eligibility under and participation in the Kyoto Protocol flexibility mechanisms for Kyoto Protocol Parties Chair: Ms. Madeleine Diouf Sarr, AWG-KP Chair Facilitation: Mr. Jukka Uosukainen, AWG-KP Vice-Chair Issues to consider: 1) What is the difference between participation/access to the mechanisms and eligibility to use, transfer and acquire units? 2) Which of the participation and eligibility requirements need to be considered in the framework of transition from the first (CP1) to the second (CP2) commitment period? 3) What participation and eligibility issues may arise for - Annex I KP Parties with commitments in CP2, - Annex I KP Parties without commitments in CP2, - non-Annex I Parties?	
	References: see "Background information sheet for session 1"	
11:30 – 11:45	Session 2: Continuity aspects of the eligibility of Annex I CP2 Parties to use, transfer and acquire units under the mechanisms Chair: Ms. Madeleine Diouf Sarr, AWG-KP Chair Facilitation: Mr. Jukka Uosukainen, AWG-KP Vice-Chair Issues to consider: 1) Does the eligibility established in CP1 continue into CP2 from 1 January 2013 or does CP2 eligibility need to be established anew? If eligibility is maintained, do any of the eligibility requirements need to be reassessed in light of any CP2-related milestones? 2) If eligibility for CP2 needs to be established anew, when does take place and how? 3) How is eligibility affected by the following specific dates relating to the second commitment period: on 1 January 2013 (CP2 beginning), at the point of establishing the assigned amounts for CP2 (not known yet) or at the point of entry into force of CP2-related amendments to the KP? References: see "Background information sheet for session 2"	

¹ At the outset of each session, the facilitator will present issues and outline discussion topics.

13:15–14:30	Lunch break
14:30–16:15	Session 2 (continued): Continuity aspects of the eligibility of Annex I CP2 Parties to use, transfer and acquire units under the mechanisms Chair: Ms. Madeleine Diouf Sarr, AWG-KP Chair Facilitation: Mr. Juergen Lefevere, AWG-KP facilitator
	Issues to consider: 1) In the absence of any CMP decisions addressing the issues of eligibility and CP2 transactions from the beginning of the CP2, how will the KP mechanisms operate from 1 January 2013? • CDM • JI • ET 2) And, in the absence of such decisions, what will be implications for the carbon market?
16:15–16:30	Coffee/tea break
16:30–18:00	Session 2 (continued): Continuity aspects of the eligibility of Annex I CP2 Parties to use, transfer and acquire units under the mechanisms Chair: Ms. Madeleine Diouf Sarr, AWG-KP Chair Facilitation: Mr. Juergen Lefevere, AWG-KP facilitator
	Issues to consider: 1) What eligibility-related aspects for Annex I and non-Annex I Parties should be addressed by CMP 8 in Doha? 2) Where should such eligibility-related aspects be addressed, at AWG-KP or at the SBSTA?
18:00	End of day 1

DAY 2: Tuesday, 13 November	
10:00-11:30	Session 3: Eligibility and entry into force of CP2-related amendments to the Kyoto Protocol Chair: Ms. Madeleine Diouf Sarr, AWG-KP Chair Facilitation: Ms. Sandea de Wet, AWG-KP facilitator
	Issues to consider: 1) How eligibility issues are linked to the various legal options to prevent a legal gap between 1 January 2013 and the time of entry into force of CP2-related amendments? 2) What measures could be put in place to enable transfers and acquisitions of Kyoto Protocol units from 1 January 2013? Do these measures depend on the particular mechanism (CDM, JI, ET)?
	3) If no measures are taken to prevent the legal gap after 1 January 2013, what would be implications for the legal nature of the Kyoto Protocol units generated under CP2?
	References: see pages 5–8 in FCCC/KP/AWG/2012/CRP.1
11:30–11:45	Coffee/tea break
11:45–13:15	Session 4: Eligibility for Annex I Kyoto Protocol Parties without commitments in CP2 Chair: Ms. Madeleine Diouf Sarr, AWG-KP Chair Facilitation: Ms. Sandea de Wet, AWG-KP facilitator
	Issues to consider: 1) What are key reasons behind the two known positions on that issue, one allowing participation and another one not allowing participation? 2) What would be market implications for taking each of these positions? 3) If non-CP2 KP Parties are allowed to participate, what changes would be required in the formulation of eligibility criteria for CDM, JI and ET? 4) If non-CP2 Parties were to access KP mechanisms, what such access would mean for specific mechanisms (CDM: issuance, use? JI: issuance, transfer, acquisition? ET: transfer, acquisition?)
13:15 – 13:30	Closing remarks by Ms. Madeleine Diouf Sarr, AWG-KP Chair
13:30	End of the consultations

Key references:

Articles 6, 12 and 17 of the Kyoto Protocol; decisions 2/CMP.1 (general); decision 3/CMP.1 (CDM), section F of the annex in particular; decision 9/CMP.1 (JI), section D of the annex in particular; decision 11/CMP.1 (ET), paras 2 and 3 of the annex in particular; decision 13/CMP.1 (modalities for assigned amounts).

The participants may also find useful the Chair's proposal to facilitate negotiations under AWG-KP (document FCCC/KP/AWG/2012/CRP.1) as well as some parts of the recent technical paper, FCCC/TP/2012/6, which was prepared by the secretariat in support of SBSTA work on the implications of the implementation of decisions 2/CMP.7 to 5/CMP.7 on the previous decisions on methodological issues related to the Kyoto Protocol, including those relating to Articles 5, 7 and 8 of the Kyoto Protocol; sections VII.C and VII.E may be particularly relevant.

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