United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

Themes from Party and observer inputs

Workshop on review of CDM modalities and procedures

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Background

- At CMP 8, the CMP invited Parties and admitted observer organisations to submit their views on possible changes to the modalities and procedures.
- The secretariat received 15 such submissions:
 - Parties and intergovernmental organisations
 - FCCC/SBI/2013/MISC.1
 - FCCC/SBI/2013/MISC.1/Add.1
 - Non-government organisations

http://unfccc.int/parties_observers/ngo/submissions/items/3689.php



Themes

- A number of themes appear through the submissions
 - Credibility and confidence in the CDM is dependent on the robustness of its regulatory framework
 - Environmental integrity remains key feature
 - Whether the current CDM governance architecture remains the most effective going forward
 - Benefits would accrue from further simplification/streamlining of rules and processes
 - Building on the existing foundation should be the basis for revision
 - Need to ensure that the modalities and procedures provide clear structure for innovative developments, such as PoAs and standardized baselines



Submission details

- Submissions also provide details to address the concerns raised and alternatives to achieve aims in these themes and in other areas, for example:
 - Changes in methodological approaches so as to strengthen environmental integrity
 - Alternatives to current membership selection and constitution of the Board
 - Inclusion of specific rules in modalities and procedures for PoAs
 - ➤ A process for communities impacted by CDM projects to address concerns about the projects to the Executive Board



Structure of break out sessions

- Break out sessions are structured to allow exploration of the issues raised and solutions posed in the submissions in the following focused areas:
 - Accreditation
 - Project cycle and methodologies
 - Governance
- Project cycle and methodologies focus areas are very closely related, so have been combined.
- In the break out sessions participants will have an opportunity to raise additional issues not already covered by the submissions

