

Agenda item 3.1.

Paragraph 12 of the annotated agenda

Progress of the initial legal and editorial review of SBM regulations

Article 6.4 Supervisory Body – Seventeenth meeting

Bonn, Germany, 4 to 8 August 2025



SBM 010 – requested the secretariat to:

- Undertake an initial structured legal and editorial review of the regulations and procedures approved by the SBM, to ensure consistency among these regulations, including with regard to the RoP, and to undertake the first review in 2024 with a view to preparing relevant proposals for consideration by the SBM in 2025

SBM 016

- Took note of the information note "Initial legal and editorial review of the regulations and procedures approved by the SBM"
- Adopted the "Procedure: Periodic structured legal and editorial review system of the Article 6.4 Supervisory Body's regulatory documents"

Provide an update on the progress of the initial review



Progress made so far

Out of a total of a total of 26 SBM regulatory documents:

- Revised versions of 5 documents which included legal and editorial changes, were approved at SBM 016
 1. Terms of reference: A6.4 mechanism experts (A6.4-PROC-GOV-001)
 2. Terms of reference of the Article 6.4 mechanism expert panels (A6.4-PROC-GOV-003)
 3. Selection and performance evaluation of members of the expert panels under the Supervisory Body (A6.4-PROC-GOV-004)
 4. Direct communication with stakeholders (A6.4-PROC-GOV-007)
 5. Article 6.4 activity standard for projects (A64-STAN-AC-002)

Progress made so far (continued)

- Two additional documents which include legal and editorial changes, have been submitted for SBM consideration at SBM 017
 1. Procedure: Article 6.4 activity cycle procedure for projects (A6.4-PROC-AC-002)
 2. Procedure: Article 6.4 activity cycle procedure for programmes of activities (A6.4-PROC-AC-003)



Progress made so far (continued)

- The secretariat legal and substantive teams have finalized the suggested changes and proposals and the text highlighting, for an additional 10 documents
- Part of these documents are planned to undergo substantive revisions, and will be submitted for SBM consideration along with the legal and editorial changes, at SBM 018, including:
 1. Standard: Article 6.4 accreditation (A6.4-STAN-ACCR-001)
 2. Procedure: Article 6.4 accreditation (A6.4-PROC-ACCR-001)
 3. Tool: Article 6.4 sustainable development tool (A6.4-TOOL-AC-001)
 4. Procedure: Article 6.4 mechanism registry (A6.4-PROC-REGS-001)

The secretariat recommends that the Supervisory Body:

Takes note of the information on the implementation of the initial legal and editorial review, as outlined in this presentation



Subsequent work and timelines

- The secretariat legal and substantive teams will continue their discussions to finalize the suggested changes and proposals in the remaining 9 documents that have undergone the initial legal and editorial review
- This will be done in parallel with the regular legal review of new SBM documents and/or new amendments to existing documents
- In case the secretariat finds critical errors in any of the regulatory documents, which require immediate consideration by the SBM, we will bring them to your attention

