

**Agenda item 3.3.**  
Paragraph 15 of the annotated agenda

Revision CDM tool: Project and leakage emissions from biomass

**Methodological Expert Panel - 12<sup>th</sup> meeting**  
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## Procedural background

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The Supervisory Body of the Article 6.4 mechanism (SBM), at its fifteenth meeting, approved its workplan for 2025 for the Methodological Expert Panel (MEP) and requested the MEP to continue working on the revision of CDM methodologies / methodological tools / Standard / Guidelines, including the “Methodological tool: Project and leakage emissions from biomass”.



## Key issues and proposed solutions

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The methodological tool builds on the CDM tool, including applicability conditions and requirements related to the use of biomass sourced from dedicated plantations and biomass residues;

It is being updated to:

- Adapt the structure and approaches in accordance with the requirements of the A6.4 mechanism;
- Streamline and enhance the requirements for project emissions;
- Reflect the requirements and approach of the “Standard: Addressing leakage in mechanism methodologies”.



## Key issues and proposed solutions (2)

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- The identification of the sources of leakage is to be done at the methodology level.
- For the sources of leakage emissions identified at the methodology level, the tool provides conditions for the avoidance or minimization of leakage, and intends to provide procedures for the calculation and subtraction of leakage emissions;
- Project emissions from biomass burning are to be addressed the methodology level under specific conditions (e.g. when PP claims BE from uncontrolled burning or anaerobic decay).
- The first version of tool may not be applicable to certain sources of project emissions included in the CDM tool (e.g. composting and anaerobic digestion due to thermo-chemical, biological and mechanical processing of biomass). These can be included when relevant tool for composting and anaerobic digestion are developed.



## Recommendation

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The MEP is expected to continue working on the tool and launch call for public input at its next meeting.

