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Annotations to the proposed agenda

Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. ► Action: The Chair of the Article 6.4 mechanism Methodological Expert Panel (hereinafter referred to as the MEP) shall <u>open</u> the fifth meeting of the MEP.

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. Action: The MEP may wish to <u>adopt</u> the proposed agenda of the fifth meeting.

Background: The agenda was drawn up based on the MEP workplan approved by the Supervisory Body at its 15th meeting and the mandates provided by the Supervisory Body at its 15th meeting.¹

3. ► Action: The members of the MEP may wish to provide statements on any potential conflict of interest concerning the issues on the agenda for the meeting, and <u>take action</u>, as appropriate.

Background: In accordance with paragraph 28 of the "Terms of reference of the Article 6.4 mechanism expert panels", members of a panel shall abide by the code of conduct of the Supervisory Body, as well as by the provisions related to conflict of interest and transparency of the Supervisory Body, taking into account specific confidentiality requirements. They shall declare whether they have a pecuniary or financial interest in an issue presented to them as a member of the panel, and if so, refrain from participating in any discussion or decision on the issue. Members of a panel shall not disclose any confidential or proprietary information that comes to their knowledge from serving on a panel.

Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

Agenda item 2.1. Matters related to the Methodological Expert Panel

4. ► Action: The MEP may wish to <u>take note</u> of the outcome of the 15th meeting of the Supervisory Body (SBM 015) relevant to the work of the MEP.

Background: The SBM 015 took note of the report of the fourth meeting of the MEP.

5. • Action: The MEP may wish to <u>take note</u> of its meeting dates in 2025.

Background: SBM 015 approved the calendar of MEP meetings in 2025 Body.²

¹ <u>A6.4-SBM015-A02</u> - Information note: Workplan of the Methodological Expert Panel 2025.

² <u>A6.4-SBM015-A14</u> - Information note: Calendar of meeting for 2025 (version 01.0).

Agenda item 2.2. Upcoming deadlines of relevance to stakeholders

6. ► Action: The MEP members may wish to <u>confirm</u> the deadline for submissions to be considered at the 6th meeting of the MEP.

Background: The secretariat shall publish the deadlines for the submission of proposals of new methodologies to be considered by the MEP at its next meeting. The panel shall make every effort to initiate the consideration of the proposal at the meeting, considering the priorities set by the co-chairs of the panel for that meeting.

Agenda item 3. Regulatory matters

Agenda item 3.1. Requirements for methodologies

7. ► Action: The MEP may wish to <u>consider</u> the draft "Standard: Setting the baseline in mechanism methodologies". According to the MEP workplan adopted by SBM015, the MEP is expected to make a recommendation on this agenda item at this meeting for consideration by the Supervisory Body at SBM016.

Background: SBM 015 approved the MEP workplan and considered the "Standard: Setting the baseline in mechanism methodologies", as contained in annex 1 of the MEP 004 report and provided guidance to the MEP.

8. ► Action: The MEP may wish to <u>consider</u> the draft "Tool: Investment analysis". According to the MEP workplan adopted by SBM015, the MEP is expected to launch a call for public input on this agenda item at this meeting.

Background: MEP 004 considered the draft "Tool: Investment analysis" and agreed to continue working on the draft tool at its next meeting, including consideration of issues in relation to the possible confidentiality of data needed for the investment analysis and, where necessary, propose any respective provisions. SBM 015 approved the MEP workplan and requested the MEP to further explore issues related to the possible confidentiality of data needed for the investment analysis.

9. ► Action: The MEP may wish to <u>consider</u> the draft "Tool: Common practice analysis" and according to the MEP workplan adopted by SBM015, make a recommendation on this agenda item at its future meeting.

Background: SBM 015 approved the MEP workplan and requested the MEP to initiate work on a methodological tool on common practice analysis.

10. ► Action: The MEP may wish to <u>consider</u> the draft "Tool: Lock-in risk analysis" and according to the MEP workplan adopted by SBM015, make a recommendation on this agenda item at its future meeting.

Background: SBM 015 approved the MEP workplan and requested the MEP to initiate work on a methodological tool on common practice analysis.

11. Action: The MEP may wish to <u>consider</u> the draft "Standard: Addressing leakage in mechanism methodologies". The MEP has updated the document, taking into account the

inputs received, with the aim of making a recommendation to the Supervisory Body at this meeting for consideration by the Supervisory Body at SBM016.

Background: MEP 004 finalized the "Draft Standard: Addressing leakage in mechanism methodologies", as contained in annex 3 to this report, and agreed to seek public input on this draft standard.

12. ► Action: The MEP may wish to <u>consider</u> the draft "Standard: Suppressed demand". According to the MEP workplan adopted by SBM015, the MEP is expected to launch a call for public input on this agenda item at this meeting.

Background: MEP 004 considered the "Standard: Suppressed demand" and agreed to continue working on the draft standard at its next meeting. SBM 015 approved the MEP workplan.

Agenda item 3.2. Removals

- 13. ► Action: The MEP may wish to <u>consider</u> the draft standard "Addressing nonpermanence/reversals in mechanism methodologies". According to the approved MEP workplan, the MEP is expected to make a recommendation on this agenda item at its future meeting, including:
 - (a) Post-crediting period monitoring, reporting, and remediation of reversals, post-reversal action, and host Party roles;
 - (b) Late, incomplete or missing monitoring report submissions, and treatment of activities for which a reversal results in a removals level that falls below baseline;
 - (c) Reversal risk assessment; and
 - (d) Avoidable and unavoidable reversals, and reversal compensation.

Background: MEP 004 continued its consideration of the development of the documents related to removals, based on "Standard: Requirements for activities involving removals under the Article 6.4 mechanism" (document A6.4-SBM014-A06) and as mandated by the Supervisory Body (document A6.4-SBM014-A01), and continued its work on the development of the draft "Standard: Addressing non-permanence/reversals", discussed topics such as reversal risk and insurance practices related to non-permanence, and agreed to continue working on the draft standard at its next meeting.

- 14. ► Action: The MEP may wish to <u>consider</u> the draft "Tool: Reversal risk assessment" that addresses the following issues:
 - Whether upper limits are needed in respect of the risk rating (overall) or specific risk factors (within the tool), including options and science-based rationales for upper limit(s);
 - (b) Risk rating that constitutes a negligible risk;
 - (c) Any further categorization of risk; and
 - (d) How remediation measures are taken into account in the risk assessment tool.

Background: SBM 014 agreed on the "Standard: Requirements for activities involving removals under the Article 6.4 mechanism" (document A6.4-SBM014-A06) and requested MEP to further work related to reversal risk assessment tool.

Agenda item 3.3. Revision of clean development mechanism methodologies and methodological tools

- 15. ► Action: According to the MEP workplan approved at SBM015 the MEP may wish to <u>consider</u> the revision to the following clean development mechanism (CDM) methodologies for grid connected electricity generation from renewable sources and associated tool to calculate emission factor for an electricity system:
 - (a) ACM0002: Grid connected electricity generation from renewable sources;
 - (b) AMS-I.D.: Grid connected renewable electricity generation; and
 - (c) Tool: Emission factor for an electricity system.

Background: MEP 004 considered the revision of "ACM0002: Grid connected electricity generation from renewable sources", "AMS-I.D.: Grid connected renewable electricity generation" and "Tool: Emission factor for an electricity system". SBM015 approved the and agreed to continue to work on these methodologies and the tool at its next meeting, taking into consideration its ongoing work under agenda item 3.1 and agenda item 3.2 above.

- 16. **Action:** According to the MEP workplan approved at SBM015 the MEP may wish to <u>consider</u> the revision to the following CDM methodologies from waste management sector:
 - (a) ACM0001: Flaring or use of landfill gas;
 - (b) Tool: Emissions from solid waste disposal sites;
 - (c) Tool: Project emissions from flaring; and
 - (d) Tool: Mass flow of a greenhouse gas in a gaseous stream.

Background: MEP 004 considered the revision of "ACM0001: Flaring or use of landfill gas", "Tool: Emissions from solid waste disposal sites", "Tool: Project emissions from flaring"; and "Tool: Mass flow of a greenhouse gas in a gaseous stream" with further work on applicable oxidation factors in the top layer of solid waste disposal sites based on scientific inputs regarding the methodology and the associated tools and agreed to continue to work on the methodology and associated tools at its next meeting, taking into consideration its ongoing work under agenda item 3.1 and agenda item 3.2 above.

- 17. ► Action: According to the MEP workplan approved at SBM015 the MEP may wish to <u>consider</u> the revision to the following CDM methodologies, tool related to clean cooking and associated standard, and guidelines related to sampling:
 - (a) AMS-II.G.: Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable biomass;
 - (b) AMS-I.E.: Switch from non-renewable biomass for thermal applications by the user;
 - (c) Tool: Calculation of the fraction of non-renewable biomass;
 - (d) Standard: Sampling and Surveys for CDM project activities and programmes of activities;
 - (e) Guidelines: Sampling and Surveys for CDM project activities and programmes of activities.

Background: MEP 004 considered the revision of "AMS-II.G.: Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable biomass", "AMS-I.E.: Switch from non-renewable biomass for thermal applications by the user", "Tool for calculation of the fraction of nonrenewable biomass", "Standard: Sampling and surveys for CDM project activities and programmes of activities" and the "Guidelines: Sampling and surveys for CDM project activities and programmes of activities" and agreed to continue to work on these methodologies, the tool, the standard and the guidelines at its next meeting, taking into consideration its ongoing work under agenda item 3.1 and agenda item 3.2 above.

Agenda item 4. Conclusion of the meeting

18. • Action: The MEP may wish to <u>adopt</u> the report of the fifth meeting.

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