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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 Supervisory Body of the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement (Article 6.4 mechanism) (hereinafter referred to as the Supervisory Body) shall ascertain whether: (a) the members present constitute a quorum; and (b) “proper justification” has been provided for the absence of any member or alternate member.

Background: Paragraph 46 of the “Rules of procedure of the Supervisory Body”¹ (RoP) stipulates that at least three fourths of the members, including alternate members only when they are acting as members, shall constitute a quorum for meetings of the Supervisory Body.²

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to adopt the proposed agenda for the meeting.

Background: The proposed agenda for the meeting of the Supervisory Body will be presented for adoption.

Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

Agenda item 2.1. Membership issues

3. ► **Action:** Members and alternate members of the Supervisory Body may wish to declare whether they have any conflict of interest relating to any issues on the agenda of the meeting.

Background: In accordance with paragraph 26 of the RoP, members and alternate members of the Supervisory Body shall avoid actual, potential or perceived conflicts of interest and shall declare any actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest at the start of a meeting.

Agenda item 2.2. Strategic planning and direction

4. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider and agree on the draft annual report of the Supervisory Body to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its eighth session (CMA 8), as contained in annex 1 to these annotations.

¹ See decision 7/CMA.4, Annex II, available at https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/cma2023_10a02E.pdf#page=46.

² Ibid.

Background: In accordance with decision 3/CMA.3, the Supervisory Body reports annually on its activities to the CMA. At its twenty-third meeting (SBM 023), the Supervisory Body considered the draft annual report to the CMA at its eighth session (CMA 8). It requested the secretariat to prepare a revised draft report and present it to the Supervisory Body for its consideration at its next meeting.

5. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note of the update on carbon markets and carbon crediting standards.

Background: The Supervisory Body, at SBM 016, requested the secretariat to continue monitoring developments in the evolving carbon markets and provide further updates.

Agenda item 2.3. Performance management

6. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note of the update of the Article 6.4 mechanism two-year Business and Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) 2026–2027.

Background: The Supervisory Body, through its workplan, agreed to consider its two-year RAP 2026–2027 at SBM 017. The Supervisory Body will have opportunities at the mid-point of the implementation of its RAPs to review and monitor progress and make any adjustments to the allocation of resources as appropriate. The Supervisory Body, at SBM 022, requested the secretariat to continue providing regular updates on the income and expenditures and also to provide additional information on alternative sources of funding for the Article 6.4 mechanism at its next meeting.

7. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note of the updated “Workplan of the Supervisory Body 2026”, as contained in annex 2 to these annotations.

Background: The Supervisory Body, at SBM 020, approved its 2026 workplan and requested the secretariat to include any new mandates arising from meetings in future versions of the workplan for the Supervisory Body to take note of.

8. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note of the “Preliminary workplan of the Supervisory Body for 2027”, as contained in annex 3 to these annotations.

Background: At its first meeting in 2027, the Supervisory Body will consider and approve its annual workplan. This preliminary workplan provides members with an overview of the expected workload and key deliverables for 2027, supporting early planning and preparation. It also aims to facilitate the effective sequencing of work, balanced distribution of workload and efficient use of meeting time throughout the year.

9. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note of the updated “Workplan of the Methodological Expert Panel 2026”, as contained in annex 4 to these annotations.

Background: The Supervisory Body, at SBM 020, approved the workplan of the Methodological Expert Panel (MEP) for 2026 and requested the secretariat to include any new mandates arising from meetings in future versions of the workplan for the Supervisory Body to take note of.

Agenda item 2.4. Matters related to the Supervisory Body and its support structure

10. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note of the operations of the Accreditation Expert Panel (AEP).

Background: The AEP held its ninth meeting on 2 and 3 September 2026 to consider matters related to the accreditation.

11. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note of the operations of the MEP.

Background: The MEP held its sixteenth meeting (MEP 016) from 7 to 11 September 2026 to consider products related to methodologies, removals, and revisions to clean development mechanism (CDM) methodologies/tools.

12. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note of the information on actions implemented by the secretariat in support of the MEP.

Background: The Supervisory Body held its strategy session in conjunction with SBM 020 and considered the matters related to the Supervisory Body and its support structure.

Agenda item 2.5. Designated national authorities

13. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note of the 130 designated national authorities (DNAs) established as of 21 September 2026, and the 70 countries that have submitted information on the fulfilment of the host Party participation requirements, as listed on the UNFCCC website.

Background: The CMA, in decision 3/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 26(c), stated that each host Party of Article 6.4 activities shall, prior to participating in the Article 6.4 mechanism, ensure that it has a DNA for the mechanism and has communicated that designation to the secretariat. At SBM 018, the Supervisory Body took note of the information on the work undertaken to support host Parties' participation in the Article 6.4 mechanism and agreed to include a stand-alone agenda item on this matter in future meetings, with a view to receiving regular updates regarding host Parties' participation in the Article 6.4 mechanism.

Agenda item 3. Regulatory and procedural matters

Agenda item 3.1. Governance

14. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider and provide guidance on the matter related to evaluation of the implementation of share of proceeds.

Background: At CMA 3, the CMA requested the Supervisory Body to evaluate the implementation of the share of proceeds set out in chapter VII of the annex (Levy of share of proceeds for adaptation and administrative expenses) no later than in 2026 and every five years thereafter and, following such review, to make recommendations on possible improvements in order to optimize the resources available to the Adaptation Fund for consideration and adoption by the CMA. With regard to the share of proceeds for adaptation, the Supervisory Body, at SBM 022, requested the secretariat to seek feedback

from the Adaptation Fund Board on the identified complexities and possible solutions and to report back to the Supervisory Body.

Agenda item 3.2. Accreditation

15. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note that no regulatory or procedural matters related to accreditation are to be considered at this meeting.

Agenda item 3.3. Activity cycle

16. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider and adopt the draft “Procedure: Transition of CDM activities to the Article 6.4 mechanism” as contained in annex 5 to these annotations. The Supervisory Body may also wish to consider requesting the MEP and the secretariat to develop and accelerate the development of necessary products.

Background: The CMA, at CMA 6, decided that afforestation and reforestation project activities and programmes of activities registered under the CDM may transition to the Article 6.4 mechanism and be registered as Article 6.4 activities. The CMA also elaborated key conditions for such a transition. The Supervisory Body, at SBM 015, adopted the revision to the transition standard and transition procedure to reflect the CMA decision.

17. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider and adopt the draft “Procedure: Article 6.4 activity cycle procedure for projects”, draft “Standard: Article 6.4 activity standard for projects” and draft “Standard: Article 6.4 validation and verification standard for projects”, which are appendices referenced in annex 6 and published as separate documents, contained in annex 7, annex 8 and annex 9 to these annotations.

Background: The Supervisory Body, at SBM 018, adopted the “Standard: Addressing non-permanence and reversals in mechanism methodologies” and agreed on the “Information note: Elements related to non-permanence and reversals for inclusion in relevant regulatory documents”. It requested the secretariat, in consultation with the MEP, to incorporate these elements into a revision of the “Standard: Article 6.4 activity standard for projects”, the “Standard: Article 6.4 validation and verification standard for projects”, the “Procedure: Article 6.4 activity cycle procedure for projects” and the “Procedure: Article 6.4 mechanism registry”.

18. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider and provide guidance on the information note “Time limits on post-issuance authorization of mitigation contribution A6.4ERs” as contained in annex 10 to these annotations.

Background: The CMA, through decision 6/CMA.6, paragraph 13, requested the Supervisory Body to consider and determine whether, based on its experience, there is a need to set a time limit, from the date of issuance to when the host Party shall provide a statement of authorization, and report back in its annual report to the CMA at CMA 7. Further, the Supervisory Body, through its 2025 annual report to the CMA, communicated to the CMA at CMA 7 that it will “explore this issue and develop a recommendation once it has practical experience of the matter.” The Supervisory Body included consideration of this matter in its workplan for 2026 with a view to making a recommendation to the CMA at CMA 8.

19. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note of the information note “Summary of stakeholder inputs received on the draft version 02.0 of Article 6.4 Sustainable Development Tool” as contained in annex 11 to these annotations. The Supervisory Body

may also wish to take note of the expected the expected budget cost for the potential development of web-based forms.

Background: The Supervisory Body, at SBM 021, considered the draft “Tool: Article 6.4 sustainable development tool version 02.0 (A6.4 SD tool)” and requested the secretariat to launch an additional call for input on the draft tool A6.4 SD tool. The Supervisory Body further requested the secretariat to present, at SBM 023, a summary of the inputs received through the additional call for input and the information of the expected budget cost for the potential development of web-based forms for A6.4-FORM-AC-015, A6.4-FORM-AC-016, and A6.4-FORM-AC-017.

Agenda item 3.4. Methodologies

20. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider providing a mandate to the MEP to develop methodological tool(s) with the objective of having a common approach to calculate activity, baseline and leakage emissions from hydrogen production.

Background: The recommendation of the MEP is contained in paragraph 11 of the MEP 016 meeting report. The work was carried out following the mandate from the Supervisory Body, in accordance with the MEP workplan 2026.

21. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider and adopt the “Draft mechanism methodology: Cooking energy transitions”, as contained in annex 1 to the MEP 016 meeting report, contingent on the Supervisory Body approving the associated methodological standards and methodological tools. Following the approval, the Supervisory Body may also wish to consider providing a mandate to the MEP to revise the mechanism methodology to expand the scope of the methodology for institutional users.

Background: The recommendation of the MEP is contained in paragraphs 12–14 and 22 of the MEP 016 meeting report. The work was carried out following the mandate from the Supervisory Body, in accordance with the MEP workplan 2026.

22. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider the concept note “Revision of methodological standards and tools for application to programmes of activities, including revision to the relevant methodological standards and tools” and adopt the draft revised methodological standards and tools included as appendices, as contained in annex 2 to the MEP 016 meeting report. The Supervisory Body may also wish to consider the proposed changes to the “Glossary: Article 6.4 mechanism terms” (A6.4-GLOS-GOV-001) and request the secretariat to update it.

Background: The recommendation of the MEP is contained in paragraph 16 of the MEP 016 meeting report. The work was carried out following the mandate from the Supervisory Body, in accordance with the MEP workplan 2026.

23. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider and adopt the “Draft mechanism methodology: Energy efficiency measures in household cooking”, as contained in annex 3 to the MEP 016 meeting report, contingent on the Supervisory Body approving the associated methodological standards and methodological tools. The Supervisory Body may also wish to consider providing an exemption for the application of the downward adjustment in the second and subsequent calendar years in the draft mechanism methodology.

Background: The recommendation of the MEP is contained in paragraphs 20 of the MEP 016 meeting report. The work was carried out following the mandate from the Supervisory Body, in accordance with the MEP workplan 2026.

24. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider the information note “Analysis of matters raised by the Supervisory Body at its 22nd meeting on the “Draft mechanism methodology: Energy efficiency measures in household cooking”, as contained in annex 4 to the MEP 016 meeting report, when considering the recommendation on the “Draft mechanism methodology: Energy efficiency measures in household cooking” and “Draft mechanism methodology: Cooking energy transitions”.

Background: The recommendation of the MEP is contained in paragraphs 19 and 21 of the MEP 016 meeting report. The work was carried out following the mandate from the Supervisory Body, in accordance with the MEP workplan 2026.

25. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider and adopt the “Draft methodological tool: Sampling and surveys”, as contained in annex 5 to the MEP 016 meeting report.

Background: The recommendation of the MEP is contained in paragraph 23 of the MEP 016 meeting report. The work was carried out following the mandate from the Supervisory Body, in accordance with the MEP workplan 2026.

26. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider the information note “Sampling and surveys requirements for designated operational entities”, as contained in annex 6 to the MEP 016 meeting report, and consider requesting the secretariat to incorporate the sampling requirements into the “Standard: validation and verification standard for projects” (A6.4-STAN-AC-003) and “Standard: Article 6.4 validation and verification standard for programmes of activities” (A6.4-STAN-AC-005).

Background: The recommendation of the MEP is contained in paragraph 24 of the MEP 016 meeting report. The work was carried out following the mandate from the Supervisory Body, in accordance with the MEP workplan 2026.

27. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider and adopt the draft “Methodological tool: Reversal risk assessment”, as contained in annex 7 to the MEP 016 meeting report. Following the approval, the Supervisory Body may also wish to consider providing a mandate to the MEP to revise this draft methodological tool with respect to activities that reduce non-renewable biomass consumption when credible new evidence indicates such a revision would be warranted.

Background: The recommendation of the MEP is contained in paragraphs 26 and 27 of the MEP 016 meeting report. The work was carried out following the mandate from the Supervisory Body, in accordance with the MEP workplan 2026.

28. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider and provide guidance on the concept note “Reversal Risk Buffer Pool Account contributions of authorized Article 6.4 emission reductions, including potential implications for accounting of nationally determined contributions” as contained in annex 12 to these annotations.

Background: The Supervisory Body, at SBM 018, requested the secretariat prepare a concept note, taking into account the discussions at the meeting, on the buffer pool contributions of authorised A6.4ERs, including potential implications for accounting of

NDCs. In preparing the concept note, the Supervisory Body further requested the secretariat to launch a call for inputs on the matter to gather a broader range of views from stakeholders, particularly Parties impacted by corresponding adjustments related to the buffer pool for its consideration at a future meeting. Until the decision by the Supervisory Body on the implications of this work, transfers of units to the Reversal Risk Buffer Pool are to be considered as ‘forwarded’ without effecting a first transfer.

Agenda item 3.5. Registry

29. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note that no regulatory or procedural matters related to registry are to be considered at this meeting.

Agenda item 3.6. Policy matters

30. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note that no policy matters are to be considered at this meeting.

Agenda item 4. Rulings

Agenda item 4.1. Accreditation

31. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note that no recommendations from the AEP are to be considered at this meeting.

Agenda item 4.2. Registration

32. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider recommendations received on the request for transition.

Background: In accordance with paragraph 43 of the “Procedure: Transition of CDM activities to the Article 6.4 mechanism” (version 07.0), if a review of the request is requested by the host Party or any member or alternate member of the Supervisory Body, the case shall be considered by the Supervisory Body at its next meeting or electronically.

Agenda item 4.3. Issuance

33. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider recommendations on the requests received for finalization of a provisional request for issuance.

Background: In accordance with section 6 of the “Procedure: Transition of CDM activities to the Article 6.4 mechanism” (version 07.0), if a review of the request is requested by the host Party or any member or alternate member of the Supervisory Body, the case shall be considered by the Supervisory Body at its next meeting or electronically.

Agenda item 4.4. Other rulings

34. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note that no other rulings are to be considered at this meeting.

Agenda item 5. Relation with forums and other stakeholders

35. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note of the update on work on the capacity-building programme.

Background: Under decision 3/CMA.3, the secretariat was requested to design and implement capacity-building programmes to assist Parties in voluntarily participating in the cooperative mechanisms under Article 6. This capacity-building programme is being implemented, including through the secretariat's Regional Collaboration Centres and other partners, in consultation with the Supervisory Body.

36. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to take note of preparations for the side-event planned for the next Conference of the Parties (COP).

Background: The Supervisory Body will confirm side event topics for future COPs and Subsidiary Body sessions at the meeting preceding the meeting taking place in conjunction with the COP or Subsidiary Body sessions.

37. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to interact with registered observers.

Background: In accordance with the "Procedure: Direct communication with stakeholders", at each of its meetings, the Supervisory Body shall, subject to time constraints, allocate a time slot for interaction with registered observers.

38. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to interact with the DOE/AE Coordination Forum.

Background: In accordance with paragraph 31 of the "Procedure: Direct communication with stakeholders", the Supervisory Body shall allocate time for interaction with the DOE/AE Coordination Forum through its chair on issues of interest to DOEs/AEs.

39. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to interact with the Article 6.4 DNA Forum co-chairs.

Background: In accordance with paragraphs 29 and 30 of the "Procedure: Direct communication with stakeholders", the Supervisory Body shall allocate time for interaction with the DNAs (through its co-chairs) at least twice a year.

40. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider letters received from stakeholders, if any, and agree on any actions, as appropriate.

Background: In accordance with the "Procedure: Direct communication with stakeholders", any letters addressed to the Supervisory Body that the Chair and Vice-Chair have jointly decided to forward for consideration by the Supervisory Body at its next meeting shall be considered if the letter is received more than 28 days prior to the meeting. Otherwise, the letter shall be placed on the agenda of the subsequent meeting, unless otherwise decided by the Chair of the Supervisory Body.

41. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider public comments received on the documentation for this meeting.

Background: In accordance with the "Procedure: Direct communication with stakeholders",

the Supervisory Body shall receive public comments on meeting documentation until one week prior to the meeting, unless otherwise decided by the Chair.

Agenda item 6. Other matters

42. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to agree on its tentative calendar of meetings for 2027.

Background: In the context of its workplan, the Supervisory Body is to consider a tentative calendar of meetings for 2027.

Agenda item 7. Conclusion of the meeting

43. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to approve the report of the twenty-third meeting.

Background: The Chair shall summarize the meeting and adopt the report, including references to any decisions taken, as per the RoP.

Annexes to the annotations

- Annex 1 - Draft annual report of the Supervisory Body for the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement to the CMA
- Annex 2 - Information note: Workplan of the Supervisory Body 2026(version 03.0)
- Annex 3 - Information note: Draft preliminary workplan of the Supervisory Body for 2027
- Annex 4 - Information note: Workplan of the Methodological Expert Panel 2026 (version 04.0)
- Annex 5 - Draft Procedure: Transition of CDM activities to the Article 6.4 mechanism
- Annex 6 - Information note: Revision of the Article 6.4 AC for projects, the Article 6.4 AS for projects and the Article 6.4 VVS for projects to incorporate elements related to non-permanence and reversals
- Annex 7 - Draft Procedure: Article 6.4 activity cycle procedure for projects
- Annex 8 - Draft Standard: Article 6.4 activity standard for projects"
- Annex 9 - Draft Standard: Article 6.4 validation and verification standard for projects
- Annex 10 - Information note: Time limits on post-issuance authorization of mitigation contribution A6.4ERs
- Annex 11 - information note: Summary of stakeholder inputs received on the draft version 02.0 of Article 6.4 Sustainable Development Tool
- Annex 12 - Concept note: Reversal Risk Buffer Pool Account contributions of authorized Article 6.4 emission reductions, including potential implications for accounting of nationally determined contributions

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