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Annotations to the proposed agenda

Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. ► **Action:** The acting Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC¹ secretariat or his authorized representative will open the first meeting of the Article 6.4 Mechanism Supervisory Body (hereinafter referred to as the Supervisory Body) and invite the members and alternate members to introduce themselves and to convey their expectations of the Supervisory Body.

Background: The acting Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC secretariat or his authorized representative will preside over the meeting until a Chair and a Vice-Chair of the Supervisory Body have been elected.

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

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

Background: The provisional agenda for the first 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:** The Supervisory Body may wish to welcome the members and alternate members elected by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its third session (3/CMA.3) and elect its Chair and Vice-Chair, for the year 2022.

Background: The CMA, through its decision 3/CMA.3 and its annex “Rules, modalities and procedures for the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement” (RMP), designated the body that will supervise the mechanism and decided that each year the Supervisory Body shall elect a Chair and a Vice-Chair from among its members². The Chair and the Vice-Chair shall remain in office until their successors have been elected.

¹ The UN Secretary-General has designated Mr. Ibrahim Thiaw to be the acting Executive Secretary of UNFCCC, effective 17 July 2022.

² See Decision 3/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 18, contained in document FCCC/PA/CMA/2021/10/Add.1 available at: <https://unfccc.int/documents/460950>. The annex to the decision begins on page 29 (English language version).

4. ► **Action:** Members and alternate members of the Supervisory Body may wish to disclose whether they have any conflict of interest relating to the work of the Supervisory Body or any issues regarding the agenda of the meeting.

Background: According to paragraph 15 of the RMP³, members and alternate members of the Supervisory Body shall avoid actual, potential and 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. Guidance by the CMA

5. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider the draft “Rules of procedure of the Supervisory Body”, as contained in annex 1 to these annotations.

Background: The CMA, through decision 3/CMA.3, paragraph 6(a), requested the Supervisory Body to elaborate and further develop, on the basis of the RMP, recommendations on its rules of procedure (including in relation to transparency of meetings), for consideration and adoption by the CMA at its fourth session (CMA4), and to operate and hold meetings on the basis of the annex pending any further decisions by the CMA on the rules of procedure.

6. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to provide guidance on the concept note “Planning the work of the Supervisory Body in 2022–2023”, as contained in annex 2 to these annotations.

Background: The CMA, through decision 3/CMA.3, provided a number of mandates to the Supervisory Body, some specific mandates for delivery at CMA4 and other wider mandates to establish the mechanism. The concept note aims to facilitate the discussions of the Supervisory Body by identifying concrete activities arising from the mandates from the CMA, as well as other activities deemed essential to operationalize the Mechanism, and scheduling them during the two-year period in a time-efficient manner, considering the priority of each activity and interlinkages of different activities.

7. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to provide guidance on the concept note “Support structure of the Supervisory Body”, as contained in annex 3 to these annotations.

Background: In performing its duties and delivering its work, the Supervisory Body may wish to consider relying on experts for support. The concept note provides background information on possible approaches the Supervisory Body may wish to use should it decide to draw upon expertise and use a support structure.

³ See Decision 3/CMA.3 contained in document FCCC/PA/CMA/2021/10/Add.1 available at: <https://unfccc.int/documents/460950>.

Agenda item 3. Matters relating to rules, modalities and procedures for the Article 6.4 Mechanism

8. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to provide guidance on the concept note “Share of proceeds under the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement”, as contained in annex 4 to these annotations.

Background: The CMA, in its decision 3/CMA.3, requested the Supervisory Body to work on issues related to the share of proceeds for administrative expenses. This concept note is primarily to propose appropriate levels of share of proceeds for administrative expenses and its operation that the Supervisory Body is requested to make recommendations on to the CMA or is mandated to set as per the RMP. The note also proposes related processes that may function well in view of the propose levels of share of proceeds for administrative expenses and its operation, so that the Supervisory Body may invite the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) to take them into account when making recommendations on the processes for implementation of the share of proceeds to the CMA.

9. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to provide guidance on the concept note “Removal activities under the Article 6.4 Mechanism”, as contained in annex 5 to these annotations.

Background: The CMA, through its decision 3/CMA.3, paragraph 6(c), requested the Supervisory Body to elaborate and further develop recommendations, for consideration and adoption by the CMA at its fourth session on activities involving removals, including appropriate monitoring, reporting, accounting for removals and crediting periods, addressing reversals, avoidance of leakage, and avoidance of other negative environmental and social impacts.

10. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to provide guidance on the concept note “Guidelines for the implementation of methodological principles, approaches and methods for the establishment of baseline and additionality”, as contained in annex 6 to these annotations.

Background: The CMA, through its decision 3/CMA.3, paragraph 6(d), requested the Supervisory Body to elaborate and further develop recommendations, for consideration and adoption by the CMA at its fourth session, on the application of the requirements referred to in chapter V.B of the annex (Methodologies).

Agenda item 4. Other matters

11. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider a letter from the Chair and the Vice-Chair of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (CDM) (hereinafter referred to as the Board).

Background: The Chair and the Vice-Chair of the Board sent a letter to the Article 6.4 Supervisory Body offering the Supervisory Body to make use of hard and soft infrastructure under the CDM and inviting the Article 6.4 Supervisory Body to have interactions with the Board in order to facilitate the expedited implementation of the Article 6.4 mechanism.

12. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider and agree on the proposed dates and venues of its meetings in 2022.

Background: In order to plan the work and the meetings for the rest of the year 2022, the Supervisory Body may agree on the dates for future meetings. The CMA, through its decision 3/CMA3, decided that at least two meetings of the Supervisory Body shall be held in 2022.

13. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider issues related to registered observers to meetings of the Supervisory Body.

Background: The CMA, through its decision 3/CMA.3, decided that meetings of the Supervisory Body shall be open to the public, including via electronic means, and a recording shall be made available via electronic means unless closed for reasons of confidentiality. The meeting of the Supervisory Body will be therefore transmitted through live webcast and on-demand webcast. In addition, the UNFCCC constituted bodies have the practice to allow observers to follow the proceedings of their meetings in person. Based on this UNFCCC practice, the first meeting Supervisory Body has been open for observer registration. The Supervisory Body may want to consider if and how to implement these practices for future meetings.

14. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to consider any other business it deems necessary.

Agenda item 5. Conclusion of the meeting

15. ► **Action:** The Supervisory Body may wish to approve the report of the first meeting.

Background: The Chair will summarize the meeting and adopt the report, including references to any decisions taken, as indicated in the RMP.

Annexes to the annotations

- Annex 1 - Draft Rules of procedure of the Supervisory Body
- Annex 2 - Concept note: Planning the work of the Supervisory Body in 2022–2023
- Annex 3 - Concept note: Support structure of the Supervisory Body
- Annex 4 - Concept note: Share of proceeds under the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement
- Annex 5 - Concept note: Removal activities under the Article 6.4 Mechanism
- Annex 6 - Concept note: Guidelines for the implementation of methodological principles, approaches and methods for the establishment of baseline and additionality

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