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Annual report of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol*

Summary

This report covers the work of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism in the reporting period from 28 September 2023 to 31 August 2024, during which the Executive Board continued the temporary measures for the operation of the clean development mechanism after the second commitment period, following the guidance of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its seventeenth session, and, with the clarity provided at that session on the functioning of the clean development mechanism after the second commitment period, the work will continue.

^{*} This document was submitted to the conference services for processing after the deadline owing to reporting period ending on 31 August 2024.



Abbreviations and acronyms

AIE	accredited independent entity
Article 6.4 mechanism	mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement
CDM	clean development mechanism
CER	certified emission reduction
СМР	Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol
CPA	component project activity
DNA	designated national authority
DNA Forum	Designated National Authorities Forum
DOE	designated operational entity
EB	meeting of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism
ICER	long-term certified emission reduction
NA	not applicable
PoA	programme of activities
RCC	regional collaboration centre
tCER	temporary certified emission reduction
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme

I. Introduction

A. Mandate

1. In accordance with the CDM modalities and procedures, the CDM Executive Board reports on its activities at each session of the CMP.¹ In exercising its authority over the CDM, the CMP reviews such reports, provides guidance and takes decisions, as appropriate.

B. Scope of the report

2. This report provides information on progress in implementing the CDM in the reporting period from 28 September 2023 to 31 August 2024 and includes recommendations for consideration at CMP 19. Data related to project activities, PoAs and CERs cover 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024 for consistency with previous annual reports. Information related to standardized baselines, queries from stakeholders and support provided for project activities, PoAs and development of standardized baselines is reported for the same period.²

3. The report describes the status of the CDM, highlights achievements related to its operation and provides information on its governance, management and financial status.

4. Further information is available on the CDM web pages,³ the central repository for all reports and other documentation relating to the CDM and the Board.

C. Possible action by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

5. In taking note of this report, the CMP may wish to:

(a) Note the work undertaken by the CDM Executive Board during the reporting period, including in response to requests from CMP 18;

(b) Designate the operational entities that have been accredited and provisionally designated by the Board (see the annex).

6. The CMP is to elect the following Board members for a term of two years, upon receiving nominations from Parties:

- (a) One member and one alternate member from the Eastern European States;
- (b) One member and one alternate member from Parties included in Annex I;⁴
- (c) Two members and two alternate members from Parties not included in Annex I;
 - (d) One member and one alternate member from small island developing States.

II. Status of the clean development mechanism

A. Clean development mechanism in numbers

7. Table 1 presents the number of registered CDM activities, activities issued with CERs and total CERs issued per reporting period since the inception of the CDM for the first and

¹ Decision <u>3/CMP.1</u>, annex, para. 5(c).

² A draft version of this report was published on 15 May 2024 as an annex to the annotated agenda for EB 122.

³ <u>http://cdm.unfccc.int</u>.

⁴ As defined in Article 1, para. 7, of the Kyoto Protocol.

second commitment periods of the Kyoto Protocol, including provisional cases under temporary measures.

Table 1

Reporting period	Number of CDM activities registered ^{a, b}	Number of CDM activities issued with CERs ^c	CERs issued for first commitment period (2008–2012) ^d	CERs issued for second commitment period (2013–2020) ^d
Inception to 31 August 2012	4 576	1 717	994 936 460	0
1 September 2012 to 31 August 2013	2 856	1 801	372 001 523	10 787 697
1 September 2013 to 31 August 2014	388	596	63 441 117	41 159 734
1 September 2014 to 31 August 2015	134	497	33 506 110	102 841 311
1 September 2015 to 31 August 2016	78	421	9 279 053	90 288 018
1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017	62	473	4 365 708	141 997 832
1 September 2017 to 31 August 2018	32	334	2 058 843	100 492 438
1 September 2018 to 31 August 2019	18	218	764 618	44 562 898
1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020	38	243	223 383	66 615 946
1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021	37	295	38 664	77 675 949
1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022	0	422	937 935	136 027 782
1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023	0	367	3 635 967	119 257 882
1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024	0	95	305 518	32 411 907
Total	8 219	3 728	1 485 494 899	964 119 394

^a Number registered per reporting period determined on the basis of the dates of registration; includes provisional cases.

^b Includes registered and deregistered project activities and PoAs. A total of 2,818 CPAs were included in 353 PoAs by the end of this reporting period.

^c CDM activities for which issuance was completed in a reporting period. An activity may be issued with CERs in more than one period. The total 3,728 reflects all activities with CERs issued as at the end of the latest reporting period.

^d Includes tCERs and lCERs.

8. The number of CERs issued during the latest reporting period is 32,717,425.

B. Functioning of the clean development mechanism beyond the end of the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol

9. The CDM Executive Board considered the draft procedure for submitting requests for the transfer of eligible CERs held in the CDM registry.⁵ The Board will continue consideration of this matter at EB 123, and any information on progress in implementing the procedure will be reported in an addendum to this report.

III. Work in the reporting period

10. This chapter describes the work of the CDM Executive Board during the reporting period.

A. Rulings

1. Accreditation

11. The accreditation of one DOE expired and two applicant entities were accredited. Six entities applied for accreditation and are awaiting the outcome. The Board reaccredited five DOEs and extended the sectoral scopes of accreditation of three DOEs. The number of DOEs accredited for validation and verification of projects and certification of emission reductions as at 31 August 2024 had increased marginally, from 28 to 29, since the previous reporting period.

⁵ In response to decision <u>2/CMP.17</u>, para. 8.

2. Registration of project activities and programmes of activities and issuance of certified emission reductions

12. Between 1 September 2023 and 31 August 2024, 32,717,425 CERs were issued. During the reporting period, 977,153 tCERs were issued. The total number of CERs issued as at 31 August 2024 was 2,449,614,293, of which 2,427,819,603 CERs, 20,876,130 tCERs and 918,560 ICERs.

13. Of the total CERs, excluding tCERs and ICERs, issued as at 31 August 2024, 1,472,584,629 were for the first commitment period and 955,234,974 for the second commitment period. Of the total tCERs issued, 12,405,185 were for the first commitment period and 8,470,945 for the second. Of the total ICERs issued, 505,085 were for the first commitment period and 413,475 for the second.

14. Table 2 shows the number of registration- and issuance-related requests submitted and finalized under the CDM between 1 September 2023 and 31 August 2024. The figure below shows the percentage distribution of registered CDM project activities, PoAs and CPAs by UNFCCC region as at 31 August 2024.

Table 2

Number of requests submitted under the clean development mechanism between 1 September 2023 and 31 August 2024

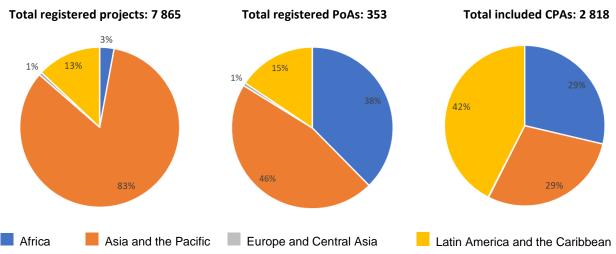
Request	Number submitted ^a	Number finalized ^b
Project activity: issuance	79	93
PoA: issuance	9 ^c	15
Post-registration changes	14	6

^a Comprises submissions and resubmissions after incompleteness.

^b Comprises registered, withdrawn and rejected requests submitted within the reporting period and requests submitted prior to the reporting period that entered the processing pipeline during the reporting period.

^{*c*} Includes requests for the processing of 50 CPAs.

Percentage distribution of registered clean development mechanism project activities, programmes of activities and component project activities by UNFCCC region as at 31 August 2024



Note: Provisional requests have been excluded from this version of the report.

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15. As at 31 August 2024, CERs had been issued for 3,628 project activities and 100 PoAs; and, of the total CERs issued, 73,026,845 had been issued for PoAs.

16. During the reporting period, the waiting time for the commencement of assessments for CER issuance requests did not exceed 15 days, in accordance with the time frame mandated by the Board and the CMP.

17. Details on CER transactions, including forwarding and voluntary and administrative cancellation, are provided in table 3.

	As at 31 August 2024		1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024	
Transaction type	Total transactions	Total units	Total transactions	Total units
Issuance	12 638	2 449 614 293	125	32 717 425
Share of proceeds to Adaptation Fund account	12 227	47 391 896	120	559 081
Internal and external forwarding	20 117	2 016 663 924	106	11 522 992
Transactions from Adaptation Fund account to registry of				
Party included in Annex I	417	34 389 983	0	0
Voluntary cancellation ^a	30 667	176 907 102	4 334	13 409 685
Administrative cancellation	6	1 035 475	0	0
Mandatory cancellation	2	489 229	0	0

Table 3 Completed transactions in the clean development mechanism registry

^{*a*} Initiated directly through the secretariat or through the online platform for voluntary cancellation of CERs.

18. Since the commencement of operations of the CDM, the Board has received 28 requests related to voluntary deregistration of CDM project activities.

19. Additional data on project activities and PoAs can be found on the CDM web pages.⁶

3. Share of proceeds

20. The share of proceeds for administrative expenses is due to the trust fund for the clean development mechanism at registration of CDM activities and issuance of CERs. Since 1 June 2018, it has been collected prior to the commencement of completeness checks for issuance requests. As a result, the total share of proceeds remaining due from CDM activities has declined since its peak in August 2018. To incentivize payment of the outstanding share of proceeds for requests for issuance submitted before 1 June 2018, the Board introduced, also in 2018, a partial payment option limited to three instalments, and subsequently removed the limit of three instalments in July 2020. In the reporting period, the partial payment option was used for 2 project activities for a total of USD 100,000, which brings the total recovered through partial payments since this option was introduced to USD 8.1 million from 81 CDM activities.

B. Regulatory matters

1. Online platform for voluntary cancellation of certified emission reductions

21. In September 2015, the Board launched the online platform for voluntary cancellation of CERs.⁷ The platform allows CDM project participants to offer CERs for voluntary cancellation to the public and issues cancellation certificates to the purchasers. It is available in English, French and Spanish and supports both online and offline payments.

22. As at 31 August 2024, 80 projects were offering around 4.1 million CERs on the platform at prices between USD 0.6 and 30 per CER. As at 31 August 2024, 112 accounts representing 224 projects and PoAs had completed sales through the platform. The platform has been visited from 196 countries, and companies, organizations and individuals from 120 countries have completed cancellations.

23. Since the platform was upgraded in 2018, the number of CERs cancelled through it has increased significantly, reaching almost 13.3 million CERs. During the reporting period, the number of CERs cancelled decreased significantly compared with the previous reporting

⁶ <u>http://cdm.unfccc.int/Statistics/Public/index.html</u>.

⁷ <u>https://offset.climateneutralnow.org</u>.

period and amounts to 2.2 million CERs cancelled through 3,205 individual orders (see table 4).

Period	Total transactions	Total CERs cancelled
15 September 2015 to 31 August 2016	814	40 049
1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017	713	105 376
1 September 2017 to 31 August 2018	1 025	194 968
1 September 2018 to 31 August 2019	4 680	622 176
1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020	3 972	1 077 254
1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021	3 101	1 659 998
1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022	2 893	3 525 245
1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023	3 374	3 846 345
1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024	3 205	2 210 289
Total	23 777	13 281 700

Table 4 Number of certified emission reductions cancelled through the online platform, by reporting period

2. Accreditation system

24. The first and second iterations of the DOE performance monitoring reports covering the twenty-second (1 January to 30 April 2023) and twenty-third (1 May to 31 August 2023) monitoring periods and the first iteration of the report covering the twenty-fourth (1 September to 31 December 2023) monitoring period, as well as the ninth annual analysis report to the CDM Executive Board on the results of DOE performance monitoring, were published in accordance with the procedure "Performance monitoring of designated operational entities" (version 05.0).

25. A DOE calibration workshop was held in Beijing, China, from 3 to 4 September 2024 to assist CDM DOEs in preparing to become DOEs for the Article 6.4 mechanism. The aims of the workshop are to strengthen the capacity of DOEs to verify CDM activities that have transitioned to the Article 6.4 mechanism; deepen the understanding of DOEs regarding the Article 6.4 mechanism; and provide the auditing and technical staff of DOEs with the opportunity to share experience in implementing regulations for the Article 6.4 mechanism.

26. A calibration workshop for the CDM accreditation roster of experts for lead assessors was held in Bonn from 16 to 17 September 2024 in conjunction with the 99th meeting of the CDM Accreditation Panel to update lead assessors on the latest CDM regulations and recently approved regulatory documents for the Article 6.4 mechanism.

27. The Board adopted version 17.0 of the "CDM accreditation procedure" to (1) extend the period of three mandatory performance assessments in the five-year accreditation cycle for four years and (2) bring the daily rates to be paid to CDM assessment team members in line with those paid to members of the panels and working groups of the Board and of the CDM rosters of experts. This version of the procedure entered into force on 22 March 2024.

3. Methodological standards

28. The Board adopted the methodology "AM0125: Production of geopolymer cement" for CDM project activities aimed at producing geopolymer cement to replace ordinary portland cement that would otherwise be produced by and used in the host country.

4. Sustainable development tool

29. In 2014, the secretariat launched the sustainable development tool, an online web interface where CDM project participants can, on a voluntary basis, systematically report the

sustainable development co-benefits of their project activities and PoAs. An improved version of the sustainable development tool was released in 2018.⁸

30. As at 31 August 2024, no sustainable development description reports had been voluntarily published by CDM project participants via the online interface.

C. Stakeholder matters

1. Direct communication with stakeholders

31. The 2023 report on stakeholder communication with the Board and the secretariat was published.⁹ Many stakeholder concerns raised in 2023 were related to the transition of CDM projects to the Article 6.4 mechanism, operations of the CDM beyond 2020 or application of temporary measures. The concerns were addressed by making regulatory adjustments, referring to existing rules and requirements, or applying case-by-case resolution to requests arising from circumstances relating to the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic.

2. Support for designated national authorities

32. Through the secretariat, the Board continued to provide support to DNAs, including by updating DNA contact details on the CDM web pages upon the request of the DNAs.

33. The Board considered updated information from the secretariat on the status of nonresponsive DNAs, responses provided to the written communication sent by the secretariat to UNFCCC national focal points of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol and its outreach to the heads of delegation of Parties to the Kyoto Protocol regarding non-responsive DNAs.¹⁰ It requested the secretariat to:

(a) Continue to reach out to heads of delegation and provide an update to the Board on the status of non-responsive DNAs;

(b) Reflect on the CDM web pages any changes communicated to the secretariat with respect to authorized contact persons, contact details or designated DNA;

(c) Undertake an analysis of the implications across the project cycle in case of UNFCCC national focal points of Parties to the Kyoto Protocol performing the tasks of a DNA once such a notification is received by the secretariat;

(d) Conduct an assessment of the implications for CDM project participants of not having a DNA, the results of which will be reported in an addendum to this report.

3. Nairobi Framework Partnership

34. In the context of the Nairobi Framework Partnership,¹¹ the secretariat coordinates activities of the core and regional partners and supporting organizations.¹² Most engagements organized under the Nairobi Framework Partnership are within the scope of the regional climate weeks.

⁸ Available at <u>https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/sdcmicrosite/Pages/SD-Tool.aspx</u>.

⁹ CDM document CDM-2023SC-INFO01 (version 01.0).

¹⁰ In response to decision $\underline{1/CMP.18}$, para. 6.

¹¹ For information on the Partnership, see its annual report for 2023: CDM document CDM-2023NF-INFO01 (version 01.0).

¹² Core partners: UNEP, UNFCCC, United Nations Development Programme and World Bank Group. Regional partners: African Development Bank, African Union, Asian Development Bank, Development Bank of Latin America, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies, Inter-American Development Bank, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa and United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean. Supporting organizations: International Emissions Trading Association, International Renewable Energy Agency, Latin American Energy Organization, Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action and UNEP Copenhagen Climate Centre, among others.

4. Regional collaboration centres

35. The RCCs¹³ work in collaboration with local and regional agencies, multilateral development banks and the RCC host partners¹⁴ to improve the regional distribution of CDM projects. This work includes:

(a) Providing direct assistance for existing project activities;

(b) Supporting developing countries in relation to CDM methodologies and standardized baselines;

(c) Promoting use of the CDM sustainable development tool;

(d) Promoting use of the CDM and CERs as part of development and climate strategies;

(e) Promoting the financing and use of the CDM by international finance institutions;

(f) Supporting the transition of eligible CDM activities to the Article 6.4 mechanism.

36. During the reporting period, the RCCs supported 14 PoAs and 27 project activities in relation to the transition from the CDM to the Article 6.4 mechanism. In addition, they responded to 51 queries on the transition and general methodological matters (4 from Asia and the Pacific, 3 from the Caribbean, 16 from East and Southern Africa, 11 from Latin America and 17 from West and Central Africa). RCC East and Southern Africa supported the development of three standardized baselines, specifically, in updating default values.

37. As at 31 August 2024, the RCCs had supported 1,781 CDM project activities and PoAs, 259 of which had moved at least one step forward in the CDM project cycle. The RCCs had also supported the development of 369 standardized baselines, of which 58 had been approved by the Board.

38. The 2023 report of the RCCs is available on the UNFCCC website.¹⁵ Another report of the RCCs, documenting their CDM-related activities from January to December 2023, is also available.¹⁶

D. Governance and management matters

1. Membership of the Executive Board

39. At CMP 18, new members and alternate members of the Board were elected to fill vacancies arising from the expiration of their tenure. In 2024, the Board comprised the members and alternate members listed in table 5.

Table 5

Members and alternate members of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism in 2024

Member	Alternate member	Nominated by
Amjad Abdulla ^a	Omar Alcock ^a	Small island developing States

¹³ The first RCC was established in Lomé, Togo, in 2013 and was followed by RCCs in Kampala, Uganda; St. George's, Grenada; Bogotá, Colombia; Bangkok, Thailand; and Dubai, United Arab Emirates. RCC Latin America, which has been in operation since August 2013, was moved from Bogotá to Panama City, Panama, in March 2017. For more information about the RCCs, see <u>https://unfccc.int/about-us/regional-collaboration-centres</u>.

¹⁴ RCC Asia and the Pacific: Institute for Global Environmental Strategies; RCC Caribbean: Windward Islands Research and Education Foundation; RCC East and Southern Africa: East African Development Bank; RCC Latin America: UNEP; RCC Middle East, North Africa and South Asia: World Green Economy Organization; and RCC West and Central Africa: West African Development Bank.

¹⁵ <u>https://unfccc.int/RCCs-annual-report-2023</u>.

¹⁶ CDM document CDM-2023RCC-INFO01 (version 01.0).

Member	Alternate member	Nominated by
Julio Moises Alvarez ^a	Vacant ^{a, b}	Parties not included in Annex I
Piotr Dombrowicki ^c	Anna Romanovskaya ^{a, c}	Parties included in Annex I
Stella Gama ^a	Sonam Tashi ^a	Parties not included in Annex I
Diana Harutyunyan ^{a, c}	Nataliya Kushko ^{a, c}	Eastern European States
José Domingos Miguez ^d	Spencer Linus Thomas ^d	Latin American and Caribbean States
Lambert Schneider ^{d, e}	Vacant ^{d, e, f}	Parties included in Annex I
Ephraim Mwepya Shitima ^d	Mamadou Diobe Gueye ^d	African States
Sirous Vatankhah ^{d, e}	Hyun Jung Park ^d	Asia-Pacific States
Frank Wolke ^d	Olivier Kassi ^d	Western European and other States

^{*a*} Two-year term, ending prior to the first meeting of the Board in 2025.

^b Syed Mujtaba Hussain resigned effective 1 February 2024.

^c Nomination pending from CMP 17. Where applicable, the current member or alternate member will remain in office until the successor is nominated by the group/constituency.

^d Two-year term, ending prior to the first meeting of the Board in 2026.

^e Nomination pending from CMP 18. Where applicable, the current member or alternate member will remain in office until the successor is nominated by the group/constituency.

^{*f*} Kiyoshi Komatsu resigned effective 29 March 2024.

2. Election of the Chair and the Vice-Chair of the Board

40. At EB 121, José Domingos Miguez, from the Latin American and Caribbean States, was elected as Chair, and Frank Wolke, from Western European and other States, as Vice-Chair of the Board. Their tenures will end just before the first meeting of the Board in 2025.¹⁷

41. The Board expressed appreciation to the outgoing Chair, Lambert Schneider, and Vice-Chair, Spencer Linus Thomas, for their excellent leadership of the Board in 2023.

3. Meetings of the Executive Board

42. The Board held three meetings in the reporting period (see table 6). The annotated agendas for the meetings, documentation supporting agenda items and meeting reports containing all agreements adopted by the Board are available on the CDM web pages.¹⁸

Table 6

Meetings of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism in the reporting period

Meeting ^a	Date	Venue
EB 120	26–28 November 2023	United Arab Emirates, in conjunction with CMP 18
EB 121	20-22 March 2024	Bonn
EB 122	29–31 May 2024	Bonn, in conjunction with the sixtieth sessions of the subsidiary bodies

^{*a*} EB 123 will be held from 6 to 8 November 2024 in Baku, Azerbaijan, in conjunction with CMP 19.

4. Meetings of the panels and working groups

43. The CDM Accreditation Panel and Methodologies Panel each met three times (see table 7 and table 8 respectively). The annotated agendas for the meetings, documentation supporting agenda items and meeting reports are available on the CDM web pages.¹⁹ The CDM Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group and Carbon Dioxide Capture and

¹⁷ In accordance with rule 12 of the rules of procedure of the Board.

¹⁸ <u>http://cdm.unfccc.int/EB/index.html</u>.

¹⁹ <u>https://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/index.html</u>.

Storage Working Group did not meet, but the terms of office of their members were extended to 31 July 2025.

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Meeting ^a	Date	Venue	
AP 96	11-12 October 2023	Bonn	
AP 97	21-22 February 2024	Bonn	
AP 98	23–24 April 2024	Bonn	

 Table 7

 Meetings of the clean development mechanism Accreditation Panel in the reporting period

^a The 99th meeting of the Accreditation Panel will be held from 17 to 18 September 2024 in Bonn.

Table 8

Meetings of the clean development mechanism Methodologies Panel in the repe	orting
period	

Meeting ^a	Date	Venue	
MP 92	4–6 October 2023	Bonn	
MP 93	13-15 February 2024	Bonn	
MP 94	6–8 May 2024	Bonn	

^{*a*} The 95th meeting of the Methodologies Panel will be held virtually from 30 September to 2 October 2024.

5. Interaction with forums and stakeholders

44. The secretariat organized meetings of the DNA Forum and the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum as well as workshops for stakeholders. The Board and its support structure continued their work with CDM stakeholders, including with DNAs through the DNA Forum and interaction with the DNA Forum co-chairs at EB 121 and with DOEs through interaction with the Chair of the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum at EB 121.

45. Stakeholders were given the opportunity to express views on the development and implementation of the CDM rules and to seek clarification on those rules through communication with the secretariat and the Board.

46. Stakeholders also had the opportunity to comment on the draft annotated agenda for each Board meeting and to respond to calls for input on policy issues that have an impact on stakeholders before decision-making by the Board. The Board made itself available to registered observers at its meetings.

6. Financial status of the clean development mechanism

47. The Board continues to ensure its ability to fulfil commitments in the future by prudently managing income received and the accumulated reserve.²⁰

48. EB 119 approved the CDM business and management plan for 2024–2025²¹ and the related budgets for 2024, amounting to USD 11.5 million, which represents a decrease of USD 2.5 million (or 18.0 per cent) compared with the 2023 approved budget of USD 14.0 million. Table 9 provides a comparison between 2023 and 2024 of the CDM status of income in the eight-month period January–August.

²⁰ In accordance with decisions <u>4/CMP.10</u>, <u>6/CMP.11</u>, <u>3/CMP.12</u> and <u>4/CMP.14</u>.

²¹ CDM document CDM-EB119-A06-INFO (version 01.0).

(United States dollars)		
Item	January–August 2023 ^a	January–August 2024 ^b
Carry-over from previous year (A)	37 131 025	34 610 286
Fee income		
Registration fees ^b	-	-
Share of proceeds ^c	6 966 242	2 986 324
Accreditation fees	37 480	97 480
Accreditation process related fees	71 692	52 798
Subtotal (B)	7 075 413	3 136 602
Total (A + B)	44 206 438	37 746 888

Table 9 Comparison of the clean development mechanism status of income for January– August 2023 and 2024

^a Excludes USD 45 million held in reserve.

^b Based on the average annual issuance of CERs over the first crediting period, calculated as a share of proceeds to cover administrative expenses, as defined in decision 7/CMP.1, para. 37. Projects with annual average emission reductions of less than 15,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent are exempt from the registration fee and the maximum fee applicable is USD 350,000. This fee is considered to be a pre-payment of the share of proceeds to cover administrative expenses.

^c Payable at issuance of CERs: USD 0.10/CER issued for the first 15,000 CERs for which issuance is requested in a given calendar year, and USD 0.20/CER issued for amounts in excess of 15,000 CERs.

49. Table 10 presents a comparison between 2023 and 2024 of the CDM budget and status of expenditure. Expenditure in the eight-month period January-August 2024 amounted to USD 5.6 million; in the corresponding period in 2023, expenditure amounted to USD 8.6 million. The rate of expenditure for January-August 2024 is lower than the expected linear rate of 66.7 per cent for the period, but the rate is projected to align more closely with the linear rate as the year progresses.

Table 10

Comparison between 2023 and 2024 of the clean development mechanism budget and status of expenditure

	2023	2024
Budget (12 months) (USD)	14 008 154	11 491 937
Expenditure (January-August) (USD)	8 629 076	5 600 321
Expenditure as a percentage of budget (%)	61.6	48.7

E. Recommendations for the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kvoto Protocol

50. To provide further clarity to stakeholders interested in using the CDM in their response to climate change, noting the guidance provided in decision 2/CMP.16 on the functioning of the CDM after the second commitment period, the conclusion of the additional period for fulfilling commitments under the second commitment period approaching, and the ongoing operationalization of the Article 6.4 mechanism, including the process for transition of CDM activities, the Board recalls the recommendation in its 2022 report to the CMP²² that the CMP provide guidance on:

The functioning of CDM processes and institutions, including possible time (a)frames. for:

Issuance of CERs under the CDM for monitoring periods ending before (i) 1 January 2021;

²² F<u>CCC/KP/CMP/2022/7</u>, para. 97.

(ii) Approval of new methodologies, methodological tools and standardized baselines, and revising existing methodologies, methodological tools and standardized baselines under the CDM;

(iii) Accreditation of operational entities and maintenance of the system supporting DOEs under the CDM;

(iv) Any other operations of the CDM and those of the Board;

(b) The management of registered CDM activities that have not transitioned to the Article 6.4 mechanism, including possible time frames;

(c) The management of CERs in the CDM registry that have not been transferred to the Article 6.4 mechanism registry or cancelled, including possible time frames.

Annex

Entities accredited and provisionally designated by the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism

[English only]

Name of entity	Sectoral scopes (validation and verification)
4K Earth Science Private Limited (4KES) ^a	1–16
Beijing Carbon Brilliant Technology Ltd. (CBT) ^a	1–3, 14
Beijing United Intelligence Certification Co., Ltd (UICC) ^a	1–9, 12, 13
Carbon Check (India) Private Ltd. (Carbon Check) ^a	1–5, 7–10, 13–16
China Classification Society Certification Co., Ltd. (CCSC) ^b	15
EPIC Sustainability Services Pvt. Ltd. (EPIC) ^a	1–16
LGAI Technological Center, S.A. (LGAI Tech. Center S.A) ^a	1, 3, 13
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^c Voluntary withdrawal of accreditation in its entirety.