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## **Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice**

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**Methodological issues under the Kyoto Protocol**

**Carbon dioxide capture and storage in geological formations  
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**Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair**

**Addendum**

#### **Recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice**

The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, at its forty-fifth session, recommended the following draft conclusions for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its twelfth session:

#### **Carbon dioxide capture and storage in geological formations as clean development mechanism project activities**

1. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) took note of the work of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, pursuant to decision 5/CMP.8, paragraphs 40 and 41, and the

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considerable work undertaken by Parties as contained in their submissions<sup>1</sup> and the technical paper on transboundary carbon capture and storage project activities.<sup>2</sup>

2. The CMP recognized the role of carbon dioxide capture and storage technology in addressing greenhouse gas emissions under the clean development mechanism.

3. The CMP took note that, to date, registration as a clean development mechanism project activity has not been requested by any activity under the modalities and procedures for carbon dioxide capture and storage in geological formations, notwithstanding the adoption of the relevant documents by the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism.<sup>3</sup>

4. The CMP decided to conclude the consideration of the eligibility under the clean development mechanism of project activities consisting of carbon dioxide capture and storage in geological formations that involve the transport of carbon dioxide from one country to another or geological storage sites that are in more than one country; and the establishment of a global reserve of certified emission reduction units for carbon dioxide capture and storage in geological formations.

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<sup>1</sup> FCCC/SBSTA/2012/MISC.12 and Add.1.

<sup>2</sup> FCCC/TP/2012/9.

<sup>3</sup> See annexes 3–7 to Executive Board of the clean development mechanism document CDM-EB78. Available at <[https://cdm.unfccc.int/EB/archives/meetings\\_14.html](https://cdm.unfccc.int/EB/archives/meetings_14.html)>.