

Agenda item 3.1.

Paragraph 15 of the annotated agenda, Annex 6

Procedure: Direct communication with stakeholders

Article 6.4 Supervisory Body – Sixteenth meeting

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Background

- SBM 014 adopted this procedure replacing the existing “Procedure: Consideration of unsolicited letters to the Supervisory Body”, which was adopted by the Supervisory Body at its fourth meeting, the content of which is addressed within.
- SBM 014 also requested the secretariat to establish a process for host Parties that wish to communicate their approach to the operationalization of application of conditions specified by the DNAs that ensure that host Party mitigation benefits are retained.
- SBM 015 requested the secretariat to propose a revision to this procedure to establish a process for host Parties that wish to communicate their approach to the operationalization of equitable sharing of mitigation benefits between participating Parties.



Purpose

The purpose of the revision to the direct communication procedure is to:

- Establish a process for host Parties to communicate their approach to the operationalization of equitable sharing of mitigation benefits between participating Parties; and
- Make editorial revisions to enhance clarity and consistency.



Key issues and proposed solutions

- As per the “Standard: Application of the requirements of Chapter V.B (Methodologies) for the development and assessment of Article 6.4 mechanism methodologies”, mechanism methodologies shall:
 - a. Contain provisions for contributing to the equitable sharing of mitigation benefits between participating Parties including one or more of the provisions below:
 - (i) Conditions to ensure that the total length of the crediting period(s) of activities is shorter than the lifetime of the technology implemented including any replacements undertaken during the crediting period, where there is very high confidence that emission reductions from the technology continue to be achieved beyond the end of crediting period(s);
 - (ii) Other approaches to fulfil the demonstration of equitable sharing of mitigation benefits; and
 - b. Include provisions that ensure that the sharing of mitigation benefits between participating Parties tangibly supports the sustainable development objectives of host Parties, such as through the use of the SD Tool in the activity design and implementation.



Key issues and proposed solutions

The conditions and approaches may vary from one Party to another. The proposed revision specifies avenues for the Parties voluntarily communicate their approach(es) within the existing procedures, namely through the use of the form “Host Party participation requirements for Article 6.4 mechanism” and/or through standardized baseline aligned with the “Procedure: Development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines”.



Recommendations to the Supervisory Body

The secretariat recommends that the Supervisory Body adopt this revised “Procedure: Direct communication with stakeholders”.

