

## **Guidance on the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol**

### **Proposal by the President**

#### **Draft decision -/CMP.11**

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*The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol,*

*Recalling* the provisions of Articles 3 and 6 of the Kyoto Protocol and decision 1/CMP.6,

*Cognizant* of decision 9/CMP.1 and subsequent guidance provided by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol relating to joint implementation,

1. *Takes note* of the achievements of joint implementation in the period 2006–2015, accounting for 548 Track 1 projects,<sup>1</sup> 52 Track 2 projects<sup>2</sup> and over 871 million emission reduction units issued for emission reductions;

2. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee for 2014–2015<sup>3</sup> and the status of work undertaken during its current term, in particular:

(a) The elaboration of further recommendations on the review of the joint implementation guidelines submitted to the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its forty-second session;<sup>4</sup>

(b) The decision of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee to allow designated operational entities accredited under the accreditation rules of the clean development mechanism to act voluntarily as accredited independent entities under joint implementation while taking measures to safeguard environmental integrity;<sup>5</sup>

3. *Reiterates* its concern regarding the difficult market situation currently faced by participants in joint implementation, with projects declining to a point where the mechanism is practically non-existent;

4. *Requests* the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee to submit recommendations for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its forty-

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<sup>1</sup> Decision 9/CMP.1, annex, paragraph 23.

<sup>2</sup> The verification procedure under the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee, defined in decision 9/CMP.1, annex, paragraphs 30–45.

<sup>3</sup> FCCC/KP/CMP/2015/4.

<sup>4</sup> FCCC/SBI/2015/5.

<sup>5</sup> Report on the 37<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee, paragraph 15. Available at

<<http://ji.unfccc.int/UserManagement/FileStorage/CINM47ARB1GWHKF6ZOPUDY2EJVQ5XT>>.

fourth session (May 2016) on actions that would be necessary to implement the draft joint implementation modalities and procedures,<sup>6</sup> including changes to:

(a) The rules of procedure of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee as adopted by decision 3/CMP.5;

(b) Provisions under other decisions of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol relating to joint implementation;

5. *Also requests* the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee to submit recommendations for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its forty-fourth session in the context of the review of the joint implementation guidelines, inter alia, on options to address:

(a) Concerns raised by stakeholders;

(b) Validation by an accredited independent entity of post-registration changes;

6. *Invites* Parties and admitted observer organizations to submit, by 31 March 2016, their views on experiences and lessons learned from joint implementation for the possible design of mitigation mechanisms and on links and interactions with other tools;<sup>7</sup>

7. *Requests* the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee to reflect on synergies between joint implementation and other mitigation mechanisms to ensure the cost-efficient use of resources, the coherence of mitigation instruments and the avoidance of double counting, in particular regarding infrastructure and technical arrangements, tools, governance structures and processes;

8. *Also requests* the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee to prepare an analysis of the experiences and lessons learned referred to in paragraph 6 above, taking into account the submissions referred to in the same paragraph and any other relevant materials, and to forward recommendations and the reflections of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee mentioned in paragraph 7 above for consideration by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its twelfth session (November 2016);

9. *Commends* the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee and the secretariat for their prudent management of resources;

10. *Reiterates* its request to the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee to ensure sufficient infrastructure and capacity for the mechanism's use by Parties for as long as needed, and to keep the joint implementation management plan under review, making necessary adjustments to ensure the efficient, cost-effective and transparent functioning of joint implementation.

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<sup>6</sup> FCCC/SBI/2015/L.30.

<sup>7</sup> Parties should submit their views via the submissions portal at <<http://www.unfccc.int/5900>>. Admitted observer organizations should e-mail their submissions to <[secretariat@unfccc.int](mailto:secretariat@unfccc.int)>.