## Implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol

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

Cognizant of decisions -/CMP.1 (Mechanisms), -/CMP.1 (Article 12), -/CMP.1 (Article 6), -/CMP.1 (Article 17), -/CMP.1 (Land use, land-use change and forestry), -/CMP.1 (Modalities for the accounting of assigned amounts), -/CMP.1 (Article 5.1), -/CMP.1 (Article 5.2), -/CMP.1 (Article 7) and -/CMP.1 (Article 8),

*Taking note* of preparatory work undertaken by the secretariat relating to the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol, hereinafter referred to as joint implementation,

*Expressing* its appreciation to Parties that have made contributions towards funding activities for preparatory work,

Aware of the work already undertaken by Parties to prepare joint implementation projects, including on reporting guidelines and criteria for baseline setting and monitoring and the project design document, as indicated, inter alia, in the report on the UNFCCC workshop referred to in the report of the Conference of the Parties on its tenth session, <sup>1</sup>

*Aware* of the need to ensure adequate levels of funding to undertake the full scope of activities planned for 2006–2007,

- 1. *Decides* to establish the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee;
- 2. *Requests* the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee to establish and execute a work programme including the following tasks:
  - (a) To develop, as soon as possible, rules of procedure taking into consideration, as appropriate, the rules of procedure of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism, and to recommend them for adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its second session, and to apply them provisionally until they are so adopted;
  - (b) To further elaborate, as a priority, standards and procedures for the accreditation of independent entities, consistent with appendix A of the guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol, taking into consideration, as appropriate, the procedures for accrediting operational entities developed by the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism;
  - (c) To accredit independent entities in accordance with the standards and procedures for the accreditation of independent entities as contained in appendix A of the guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol;
  - (d) To elaborate and agree on a joint implementation project design document pursuant to paragraph 3 (e) of the guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol, with the understanding that it shall be applied provisionally until the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol has adopted it in accordance with the guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FCCC/CP/2004/10, paragraph 94.

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- (e) To develop, as soon as possible, guidelines for users, inter alia, of the joint implementation project design document, drawing on guidelines developed by the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism, where appropriate;
- (f) To develop, as soon as possible, guidance with regard to appendix B of the guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol, including provisions for small-scale projects as defined in paragraph 6 (c) of decision 17/CP.7, as appropriate;
- (g) To develop, as soon as possible, its management plan including a budget plan for the period 2006–2007, and keep it under review, bearing in mind the experience of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism in this area, as appropriate;
- (h) To develop provisions for the charging of fees to cover administrative costs relating to the activities of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee;
- 3. *Further decides* that:
- (a) Designated operational entities under the clean development mechanism may act provisionally as accredited independent entities under Article 6 until the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee has approved its procedures for accreditation;
- (b) Those designated operational entities that apply for accreditation under the approved procedures for accreditation may continue to act provisionally as accredited independent entities until a final accreditation decision is taken;
- (c) The determinations and relevant activities undertaken under these provisions shall be valid only after the accreditation of the independent entity is finalized;
- 4. *Also decides* that:
- (a) Methodologies for baselines and monitoring, including methodologies for small-scale project activities, approved by the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism, may be applied by project participants under joint implementation, as appropriate;
- (b) The relevant parts of the clean development mechanism project design document, and of the project design document for small-scale clean development mechanism project activities, may be applied by project participants under joint implementation, as appropriate;
- 5. Encourages the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee to collaborate with:
- (a) The Executive Board of the clean development mechanism;
- (b) The Compliance Committee under the Kyoto Protocol, in particular with regard to the list of Parties referred to in paragraph 27 of the guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol;
- (c) The designated focal points for Article 6 under the Kyoto Protocol;
- (d) Observers to meetings of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee, referred to in paragraph 18 of the guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol, through regular question-and-answer sessions held in this context;
- 6. *Urges* Parties included in Annex I to the Convention to make prompt voluntary contributions in 2006 to the Trust Fund for Supplementary Activities to fund administrative expenses for

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implementing Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol in the biennium 2006–2007, which are in addition to provisions made in the UNFCCC programme budget for the biennium 2006–2007.