

WORK PLAN TO CONSOLIDATE, CLARIFY, ENSURE  
THE CONSISTENCY OF, AND STREAMLINE THE  
BOARD'S REGULATORY DECISIONS FOR  
VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION

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## Outline

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1. Overview of decisions and mandates of the CMP and EB.
2. Reasons for, need, and importance of the workplan.
3. The indicative work plan.

## Overview of the Decisions and Mandates of the CMP and EB

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- The CMP requested the Board to regularly update the VVM.
- The Board directed the secretariat to comprehensively revise the VVM every two years to: (1) incorporate all relevant decisions of the Board; (2) to undertake comprehensive editorial, technical and legal consistency checks; and (3) to make other revisions to improve its user-friendliness.
- The CMP further requested the Executive Board to continue to improve the transparency and consistency of the regulatory framework of the clean development mechanism by continuing to revise its official documentation in order that it complies with the hierarchy of decisions adopted by the Executive Board;
- The Board requested the secretariat to launch a workplan to ensure that existing and new documents complied with this framework in order to enhance the usability and understandability of the Board's decisions.



## Overview of Reasons and Need for the Work

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- In developing a revision to the “Procedures for notifying and requesting approval of changes from the project activity as described in the registered PDD”, the secretariat noted a number of inconsistencies in the application of the hierarchy of decisions, e.g. the procedures contain new requirements which should be contained in standards.
- In reviewing the current documentation related to the rules for validation and verification the secretariat has noted that this is a recurring problem.
- This issue impacts such a quantity of documents that it is not possible to approach the necessary revisions in a piecemeal fashion.
- A piecemeal approach would result in a greater lack of clarity and consistency because requirements would be located in two places or a requirement would be temporarily deleted during the revision process.



## Indicative Work Plan - Outcome

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- A standard outlining the requirements for project participants in operating registered CDM project activities;
- A validation and verification standard outlining the requirements for designated operational entities in conducting verification of compliance with requirements placed on project participants;
- Streamlined, comprehensive and consolidated procedure for validation and verification to make the entire process less cumbersome, more efficient, and ultimately provide for faster decisions.
- Related documents, such as guidelines and forms.



## Elaboration of Draft Indicative Work Plan - Process

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- The outcomes listed previously would take place simultaneously, but in two phases.
- The first phase would comprise all of the regulatory decisions relating to verification, and the second phase would comprise all of the regulatory decisions relating to validation.
- The secretariat will also hold a broader workshop for consultation on this issue in Q1 2011 and will launch a call for input
- The work is planned to be finished by EB 63

