



Programme of Activities - revision to procedures

EB 47

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Background

- Procedures adopted: EB 32
- Revision of the procedure: EB 35
 - POAs published for GSC and undergoing validation: 9
 - Submitted for registration: 2
- Call for inputs: EB 41
- Initial consideration: EB 42
- Further consideration: EB 43rd – 45th
- EB 45 mandated the secretariat to assess the inputs and make recommendations

Summary of Issues

Four key issues:

- **Demonstration of additionality:**
 - Unclear whether additionality is assessed at CPA or PoA level or both
 - Start date of CPAs
- **Application of methodologies:**
 - Use of only one approved methodologies limit the application of the system to certain programme types
 - Unclear whether a revision of methodology lead to new version of the PoA and the PoA specific CDM-PDD
- **Occurrence of de-bundling:**
 - Provisions for debundling considered to prejudice small scale project at the household level
- **Inclusion of CPAs and DOE liability:**
 - No time limit for review and a review can be raised by a DNA involved in the PoA or a Board member
 - Consequences of erroneous inclusion put all CPAs already submitted to be reviewed

Options/Recommendations

- In order to provide clarity on the applicable rules, the secretariat's draft revised procedure has merged the existing "guidance" and "procedures" document;
- The Procedures will now be the primary source of rules applicable to process the programmes of activities; and
- Any additional guidance which the Board considers necessary to issue in future meetings will be supplemental to these procedures.

Options/Recommendations

- **The revised procedures:**

- Clarify that additionality shall be demonstrated at the POA level, and that the eligibility criteria for inclusion of CPAs shall include details regarding how additionality is to be demonstrated;
- Clarify the rules pertaining to the POA if the applied methodology is revised;
- Allows the application of more than one approved methodology to a POA in cases where the combination of methodologies is applied in a consistent manner to all CPAs;
- Provides derogations from the debundling for provisions for POAs involving “micro-scale” applications, i.e. where the implemented units are 1% of the small-scale thresholds; and
- Provides a new and detailed procedure related to the review of erroneous inclusion, which is time bound and which does not result in an automatic “hold” on the entire POA.

With regard to the starting date of CPAs the secretariat has not at this point proposed any revisions, reflecting the discussions by the Executive Board at its 45th meeting.