# PROCEDURE FOR MODIFICATION OR ADDITION FOR COMMON NOMENCLATURE UNDER ARTICLE 6.2 OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT (Version 01.0)

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# I. Introduction

- 1. This document presents an initial version of the procedures for Parties participating in Article 6.2 mechanism to propose, review, and monitor modifications to the common nomenclature related to Article 6.2 mechanism pursuant to decision 6/CMA.4, annex I, Chapter II.B.
- 2. The common nomenclature is a critical tool for ensuring the integrity and transparency of the Article 6.2 mechanism.
- 3. The process is designed to be transparent, inclusive, and effective, reflecting the Paris Agreement's principles and fostering a collective approach to global climate action.

# II. Process

# A. Proposal Submission

- 4. Parties are encouraged to submit proposals detailing suggested modifications to the common nomenclature.
- 5. Proposals should include a clear rationale and focus on the TACCC principles: transparency, accuracy, completeness, comparability and consistency, and environmental integrity of the mechanisms.
- 6. A standard template for submissions is available on the CARP (Centralized Accounting and Reporting Platform) website. This template requires information on the proposed modification, the rationale behind it, and any supporting evidence or references.
- 7. The process for submitting proposals for modifications to the common nomenclature is as follows:
- (a) Parties' representative for 6.2 will need to download the corresponding template.
  - (b) Fill out the template.
- (c) Email the completed template to the UNFCCC secretariat at <u>CARP-support@unfccc.int</u>.

# **B.** Technical review process

- 8. UNFCCC experts will review the proposals to assess the technical implications of proposed modifications.
- 9. The assessment will identify any inconsistencies among the submission, such as similar entries that are essentially identical.
- 10. The goal of this technical review is to prevent scenarios where different parties refer to the same concept in different terms, which could lead to inconsistencies during the consistency check procedure.
- 11. Feedback from parties will be collected via email.

- 12. If the change, addition, or modification affects a specific cooperative approach, all participating parties in it will be notified.
- 13. If Parties do not request clarifications, submit objections, or suggest corrections within the next 30 natural days following the publication of the proposed modifications, the proposal will be automatically approved for publication on the secretariat's website for future use and made available through the API.
- 14. In the event that parties submit objections or corrections within the next 30 natural days following the publication of the proposed modifications:
- (a) If the nomenclature clashes with the one proposed by another Party, a consensus must be reached and communicated to the secretariat for final publication.
- (b) Until consensus is achieved, the modification will be incorporated into the common nomenclatures under the provisional status. For instance, consider a scenario where two parties name a sector differently; when an ITMO is transferred from one Party to another, the Article 6 database will recognize this as a change of sector, and hence it will rise an inconsistency during the consistency checks procedure.
- (c) If the proposed nomenclature, suggestion, or correction proposed by a Party does not clash with an existing nomenclature the proposed change should be adopted.
- 15. The secretariat will only rise objections when there is a clear clash with an existing nomenclature that can affect the consistency check procedure.
- 16. When different nomenclatures are authorized for use under a specific field, Parties involved in the corresponding cooperative approaches will decide which value to use.
- 17. If participating Parties in a cooperative approach decide to change a nomenclature or use a modification of an existing nomenclature, the parties must ensure that all previously submitted annual information is consistent with the new nomenclature to avoid discrepancies in consistency checks.
- 18. To amend a nomenclature affecting previous submission must be resubmitted with the corresponding changes to prevent inconsistencies in the consistency check procedure.

# C. Implementation and communication

19. The latest version of the common nomenclatures will be available on the CARP webpage in a text format and through an open API for information systems to query.

#### **Document information**

| Version   | Description   |
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| Version 1 | First version of the procedure for modification or addition of common nomenclatures |