The future of JI

- the Romanian perspective -

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Overview

- Jl today
- Romanian JI experience
- Future of JI
 - short term
 - post-2012

JI "Genesis"...

- KP Art. 6.1 "... any Party included in Annex I may transfer to, or acquire from, any other such Party emission reduction units resulting from projects aimed at reducing anthropogenic emissions by sources or [...] removals by sinks of GHG in any sector of the economy..."
- (a) approval of the Parties involved
- (b) additionality of the emission reductions
- (c) compliance of Parties in reporting and accounting
- (d) supplementarity to domestic actions

JI potential

- ~ 40 countries (Annex I) especially 13 "EITs"
- first KP flexible mechanism used
- fast start (2000) earlier than CDM
- rules in Marrakech Accords
- technical and institutional capacity built fast
- early acceptance in host countries (political)
- many project opportunities in different sectors
- interest from potential buyers

JI today...

- all countries are eligible
- approval procedures in place mostly Track 2
- ◆ Track 1 approval procedure Ro, Hu, RF, Ukr...
- ◆ ETS double-counting→reduced potential in new EU MS However, only:
- ◆ 110 JI "early mover" projects (UNEP Risoe, Apr. 2007)
- ◆ 167 JI PDDs for comments (JISC website, Nov. 2008)
- ◆ 7 determination reports presented to JISC (5 deemed final, 1 rejected, 1 under discussion)
- 1 verification report published (deemed final)

Romanian JI experience

- Early start (2000) JI Unit established with Dutch support
- Responsible institution: Ministry of Environment (DFP)
- ◆ JI projects 16 approved (LoA) + 30 in first phase (LoE)
- Most projects DHS, renewables, energy eff, landfills, N₂O)
- The only JI LULUCF project in the world (PCF WB)
- Track 2 procedure approved in Sep. 2006 based on JISC
- Track 1 procedure approved in Mar. 2008:
 - Increase certainty for project participants and buyers
 - Maintain the same level of confidence (models, additionality, AIEs)
 - Reduce transaction costs and accept "early mover" projects
- Only MS with JI "set aside" in NAP for unidentified projects

Future of JI (short term)

- Enhance approval at national level (important players)
- Start accreditation of the IEs on different scopes
- Promote JI (Track 1 and Track 2) in all host countries and allow switching between tracks
- Identify projects in all sectors (esp. non-ETS in MS)
- Increase the number of projects & emission reductions
- Allow programmatic JI
- Enhance capacity and expertise at national level
- Increase awareness on JI benefits (success stories)

Future of JI (post-2012)

- Ensure existence and continuity
- Welcome new participants (host countries)
- Expand the scope (domestic, sectoral, programmatic)
- Simplify the procedures (international and national)
- Increase the number of projects & emission reductions
- Enhance/create a regulatory framework (efficient, predictable, consistent, standardized)
- Reduce paper work and transaction costs without affecting the quality of projects

Thank you

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