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Relations with Designated Operational and Applicant Entities

Topics

- **No Comments to Annexes of the Annotated Agenda**
- **Payment of accreditation assessments**
- **One issue on which support by EB/secretariat is requested**

Payment of accreditation assessments

Various DOEs expressed concerns on the practice how to pay costs for accreditation assessments

- Individual invoices by all involved AT members;
- Information available at time when receiving invoices
- Accounting systems of many large enterprise require issues like:
 - Purchase orders (incl. a PO number)
 - Vendor registration (incl. a vendor ID)
 - Pre-determined payment periods
- Not easy to manage with a pool of many individuals
- Recent approach creates administrative burden (and costs)

Payment of accreditation assessments (contd.)

Suggestion:

- Complete invoice by UNFCCC secretariat, while AT members get paid by UNFCCC secretariat;
- Create of a single purchase order at start of an assessment
- Secretariat registers as vendor, if required

Use of CDM (infrastructure) by other schemes

Recent development at some schemes raise concerns at DOE side

- (draft) VCS version 4:
it only foresees recognition of validation/verification bodies (VVBs) accredited to ISO 14065 by an accreditation body that is a member of the International Accreditation Forum (IAF);
- Colombia; Decree 926 of 2017 on carbon tax system:
While the system is accepting CERs as offsets, it also requires accreditation by the National Accreditation Body of Colombia - ONAC or an accreditation body which is signatory member of the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) that has in its offer of services the accreditation program of the GHG Emissions Verification Body under the requirements of ISO 14065

Use of CDM (infrastructure) by other schemes (contd.)

Concerns

- Value of CDM accreditation goes down → some entities may consider withdrawal;
- There are only few NABs that have relevant experience with ISO14064 part 2 → concerns on comparability of quality;
- Misguiding signal to other emerging schemes

Use of CDM (infrastructure) by other schemes (contd.)

Requested action by EB/secretariat

- Seek contact to decision makers of mentioned schemes and promote use of DOEs;
- Promote success of the MRV approach of the CDM (including work of DOEs)
- Alternatively:
Consider options to make UNFCCC an IAF member and include ISO 14065 in the accreditation process;

Thank you for your attention!

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