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# Joint Committee of the Joint Crediting Mechanism between Moldova and Japan First Meeting

# **Meeting Report**

# Agenda item 1. Opening

Dr. Aliona Rusnac, State Secretary of the Ministry of Environment, opened the first meeting of the Joint Committee (JC) of the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) and gave opening remarks.

H.E. Mr. Yamada Yoichiro, Ambassador, Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, to the Republic of Moldova, gave opening remarks.

## Table: Attendance

JC Members from Moldovan side	
Dr. Aliona RUSNAC	Ministry of Environment
Ms. Galina NOROCEA (Alternate)	Ministry of Environment
Mr. Aurel JUCOV	Ministry of Finance
Ms. Alina Elena VRABIE (Alternate)	Ministry of Economic Development and
	Digitalization
Ms. Aurelia CIORNEI	Ministry of Infrastructure and Regional
	Development
Mr. Nicolae MAGDÎL	Ministry of Energy
Mr. Ion TALMACI	Forest Research and Management Institute (ICAS)
Ms. Mariana GINCU	Ministry of Health
Ms. Silvia NELIPOVSCHI	Environmental Agency
Ms. Stela DRUCIOC	Institute of Chemistry, State University of Moldova
Mr. Anatol IRININ (Alternate)	Ministry of Environment
JC Members from Japanese side	
Ms. MORI Mariko	Embassy of Japan in Moldova
Mr. ADACHI Muneki (Alternate)	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Mr. KOIZUMI Naoki	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Mr. MITSUI Hiroyuki (Alternate)	Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI)
Mr. IINO Satoru	Ministry of the Environment

Mr. KINAME Kohei (Alternate)	Ministry of the Environment
Mr. HINO Shiki	Embassy of Japan in Moldova
Observers from Japanese side	
Mr. MIZUGUCHI Dai	New Energy and Industrial Technology
	Development Organization (NEDO)
Mr. TAKAHASHI Hiroshi	Global Environment Centre Foundation
Mr. KOMURA Yohei	Global Environment Centre Foundation

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#### Agenda item 1.1 Brief presentation of JCM

The Japanese side explained the overview of the JCM.

#### Agenda item 1.2 Rules of Procedures for the Joint Committee

The JC considered the draft "Joint Crediting Mechanism Rules of Procedures for the Joint Committee" including the draft "Conflict of Interest Declaration Form" and adopted them as contained in <u>Annexes 1 and 1.1</u> to this meeting report.

# Agenda item 2. Organizational matters

# Agenda item 2.1 Appointment of Co-Chairs

The Moldovan side appointed Dr. Aliona Rusnac as the Moldovan Co-Chair, and the Japanese side appointed Ms. Mori Mariko as the Japanese Co-Chair. The Co-Chairs jointly serve the JC of the JCM between Moldova and Japan.

#### Agenda item 2.2 Attendance

The JC consented to the participation of the attendees who were other than governmental officials at this JC meeting based on confirmation of the Conflict of Interest Declaration Forms submitted by the attendees.

#### Agenda item 2.3 Establishment of the JC secretariat

The JC established the JC secretariat. The Japanese side nominated Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting Co., Ltd. to serve as the JC secretariat from the Japanese side. The Moldovan side nominated Ms. Marina Lungu and Ms. Stela Drucioc, to serve as the JC secretariat from the Moldovan side.

# Agenda item 2.4 Adoption of the agenda

The JC adopted the agenda of the meeting.

# Agenda item 3. Rules and guidelines

The JC considered the draft version of the following documents and adopted them as contained in the annexes to this meeting report:

- Rules of Implementation for the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) (<u>Annex 2</u>);
- Joint Crediting Mechanism Project Cycle Procedure and 15 forms related to the procedure (Annex 3 and Annexes 3.1 to 3.15);
- ➢ Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Developing Proposed Methodology (<u>Annex 4</u>);
- Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Developing Project Design Document and Monitoring Report (<u>Annex 5</u>);
- Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Developing Sustainable Development Implementation Plan and Report (<u>Annex 6</u>);
- ▶ Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Designation as a Third-Party Entity (<u>Annex 7</u>);
- ➢ Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Validation and Verification (<u>Annex 8</u>);
- Common Specifications of the JCM Registry (<u>Annex 9</u>);
- ➢ Joint Crediting Mechanism Glossary of Terms (<u>Annex 10</u>).

# Agenda item 4. Japan's support for the JCM partner countries

The Japanese side explained the financing programmes for the JCM (the JCM model projects and the JCM F-gas recovery and destruction model projects), the demonstration programme for application of new decarbonizing technology, and the project development and outreach activities. The Japanese side also explained the JCM feasibility study by METI and the JCM demonstration program by NEDO.

# Agenda item 5. Other matters

The Japanese side explained the institutional arrangements for the Article 6 implementation in Japan and Japan's registry system. The Moldovan side explained the organizational structure and reporting of greenhouse gases in Moldova.

# Agenda item 6. Conclusion of the Meeting

The Co-Chairs gave closing remarks and closed the meeting.

#### Annexes to the report

- Annex 1 Joint Crediting Mechanism Rules of Procedures for the Joint Committee
  - Annex 1.1 Conflict of Interest Declaration Form
- Annex 2 Rules of Implementation for the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM)
- Annex 3 Joint Crediting Mechanism Project Cycle Procedure
  - Annex 3.1 Project Idea Note for JCM Project
  - Annex 3.2 JCM Modalities of Communication Statement Form
  - Annex 3.3 JCM Assessment of Reference Emissions Request Form
  - Annex 3.4 JCM Validation Report Form
  - Annex 3.5 JCM Percentage of Credit Allocation Form
  - Annex 3.6 JCM Project Registration Request Form
  - Annex 3.7 JCM Project Implementation Report Form
  - Annex 3.8 JCM Verification Report Form
  - Annex 3.9 JCM Credits Issuance Request Form
  - Annex 3.10 JCM Renewal of Crediting Period Request Form
  - Annex 3.11 JCM Approved Methodology Revision Request Form
  - Annex 3.12 JCM Post-Registration Changes Request Form
  - Annex 3.13 JCM Project Withdrawal Request Form
  - Annex 3.14 JCM Registration Request Withdrawal Form
  - Annex 3.15 JCM Issuance Request Withdrawal Form
- Annex 4 Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Developing Proposed Methodology
- Annex 5 Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Developing Project Design Document and Monitoring Report
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	Organization
Mr. TAKAHASHI Hiroshi	Global Environment Centre Foundation
Mr. KOMURA Yohei	Global Environment Centre Foundation
Mr. HEMMI Tatsushi	Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting Co., Ltd.
(Secretariat)	
Mr. YAMASAKI Soshi	Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting Co., Ltd.
(Secretariat)	
Mr. TAKENAKA Sotaro	Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting Co., Ltd.
(Secretariat)	

Table: Attendees who submitted the Conflict of Interest Declaration Form

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