

Perspective on consolidated methodologies & additionality tool

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Brief review

- Background of consolidation process
- Some critical aspects: additionality tool
- Some critical aspects: consolidated meths
- Lessons learnt

Background

Objectives of meth consolidation by EB:

- Reduce methodological uncertainty & accelerate the process of providing ‘approved’ methodological guidance
- Reduce transaction costs
- Clarify and, to some extent, simplify the application of methodologies in PDD development

Some critical aspects

Critical aspects of consolidation carried on by EB:

- “Consolidation” as distinct of “standardization”
- Transparency of the process & public comments
- Scope of consolidation: beyond approved methodologies/elements
- Trade-off: gain methodological certainty but accept some ‘arbitrary’ guidance

Additionality tool

Some critical methodological elements:

- Based on comprehensive step-wise approach
- Comprehensive, but intensive in information.
- When applied: redundant steps?
- Steps may be dropped due to project circumstances?
- Provides good guidance for qualitative assessments?

Additionality tool (2)

Some emerging issues:

- Additionality tool: despite not mandatory, precedent has been set for the development of other additionality assessment methods
- Incorporation of additionality tool in baseline methodologies: consistency ensured between (i) baseline scenario development and (ii) demonstration of project additionality?
- Feedback with ongoing EB work on treatment of national/sectoral policies & regulations

Consolidated meths

Some critical methodological elements of [ACM002](#):

- ‘Combined margin’ approach becomes standard approach?
- While broad applicability conditions, limited room for incorporating specific characteristics of system expansion & operation
- Calculation formulae include multiple ‘arbitrary’ thresholds/parameter values

Consolidated meths (2)

Some emerging issues:

- Pace of review of submitted/new methodologies will be affected?
- Enhanced involvement of official sector agencies (e.g. national dispatch centres)
- Role of DOEs vis-à-vis CDM-EB (e.g. minor/major adjustments of consolidated meths to better reflect national circumstances)

Lessons learnt...

- Ensure participation in meth review processes under the EB
- Enhance participation mechanisms established by the EB
- Assess implications of consolidated meths/additionality tool at the national level, as to accelerate PDD development & validation.

Thank you!