The CDM Loan Scheme Background and basic requirements

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Background

- The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties (CMP), adopted the guidelines and modalities for the operationalization of a loan scheme at CMP.6 in Cancun, Mexico.
 - In countries with fewer than 10 registered project activities
 - To cover for the costs of:
 - Development of PDDs
 - Validation
 - First verification
- Potential to benefit approximately 80 countries
- Funds from the interest accrued on the CDM Trust Fund, and voluntary contributions



- UNFCCC secretariat conducted a procurement process for selecting an implementing agency
 - Maintain independency in the loan recipient selection process
 - Open to UN agencies and other bidders (private sector)
- As a result of the selection process, the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) was selected, in a joint proposal with the UNEP Risoe Centre at the Danish Technical University.
- Administrative arrangements in place, and ready to go.
- Funds available: USD 5,7 million (incl. administrative costs)



UNFCCC secretariat's role

- UNFCCC secretariat will:
 - Approve annual business plans by UNOPS/URC
 - Review quarterly reports
 - Approve annual financial and operational reports
- Review the performance of the Loan Scheme and take action as necessary
- Report to the CDM Executive Board and implement modifications requested by the Board or CMP



Thank you.

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