

3. A project activity shall be validated only if it meets all of the following requirement:

- a) All Parties involved have approved the project activity.
- b) All public and/or private entities involved in the project activity demonstrate that they are entitled to participate in the CDM according to Para 17.
- c) The project participants provide a determination of baselines to the operational entity in accordance with Appendix A upon which the environmental additionality of the project activity is calculated. It must be demonstrated that the emission reductions from the project activity are real, measurable and long-term and that the emissions occurring with the project activity are lower than the emissions that would have occurred in the absence of the project activity. The latter are the baseline for the project and shall be determined according to the guidance provided for in Appendix A.
- d) If public funds are used, the project participants provide information on the funding of the project activity proving that CDM investment will not result in a diversion of or competition with ODA and GEF funding.
- e) The Party not included in Annex I involved in the project activity confirms in a written statement how the project activity
 - assists that Party in achieving sustainable development taking into account its economic, environmental and social conditions according to its own priorities and needs and the need to minimize adverse environmental, social and economic effects taking into account existing guidance for sustainable development;
 - contributes to the ultimate objective of the UNFCCC.
- f) The project activity and its results are consistent with all relevant international agreements relating to sustainable development to which the Parties involved are a Party.
- g) The project participants provide information to the operational entity on their procedures for accurate, systematic and periodic monitoring of the project in accordance with the guidance provided for in Appendix C.
- h) Operational entities publish their decisions on the validation of project activities in a suitable manner.

Para 5 Certification of emission reductions

1. Certification is the binding assessment by an operational entity upon request of a project participant of how many additional, real, measurable and long-term emission reductions have resulted from a validated project activity. The certification process concludes with the issuing of certificates for these emission reductions.