

# Programme of Activities Current Status

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## To the point

- The EB is supposed to discuss and to agree on procedures for Programmes of Activities (PoA) TODAY.
- Therefore, it is difficult to exactly define the current status of PoAs at the very moment. It might be outdated by tomorrow.
- The latest public document is from EB28. In the meanwhile the EB worked a lot on the concept. Several requirements that would have made the practical implementation difficult have been removed.  
( This presentation takes into account the EB status of thinking of YESTERDAY.)

- PoA still limited to one single methodology.

>> Recommendation: PoAs shall be free to either use one or a set of approved methodologies.

## Do you like the wealth of acronyms in the CDM...?

(you are probably mastering acronyms like: CDM, PDD, NM, AM, DNA, DOE)

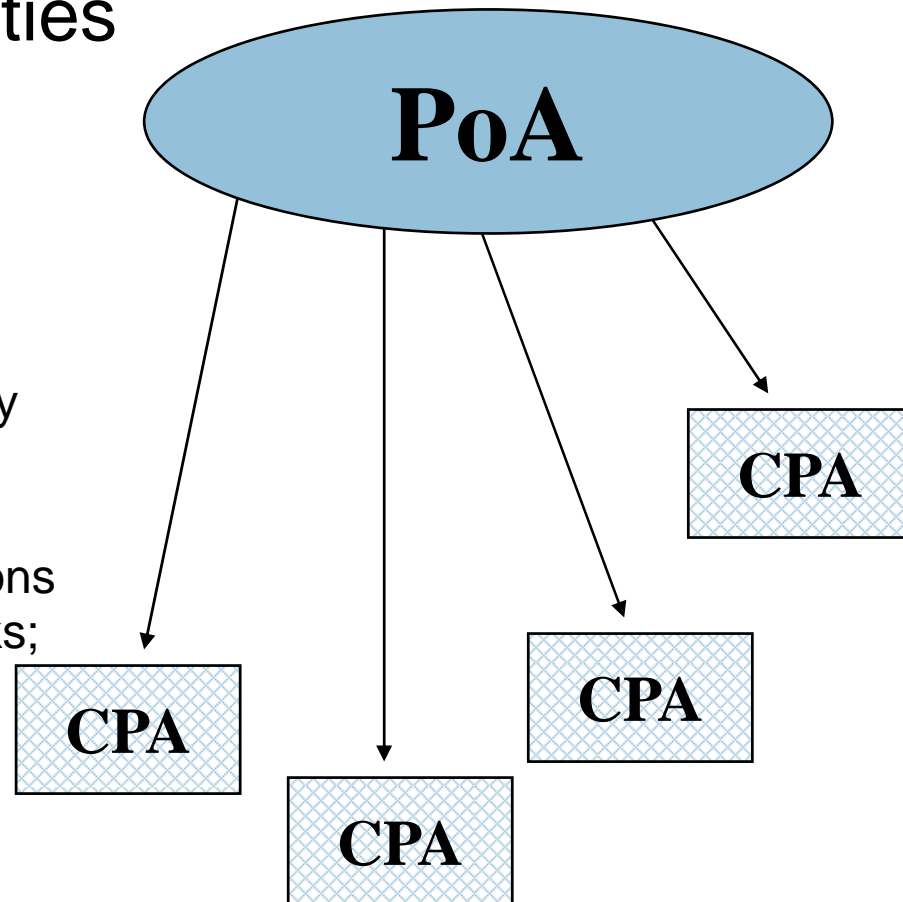
## ...if yes, you will love Programmes of Activities!

- PoA = Programme of Activities
- CPA = CDM Program Activity
- CDM PoA DD = CDM Programme of Activities Design Document
- CDM CPA DD = CDM Program Activity Design Document

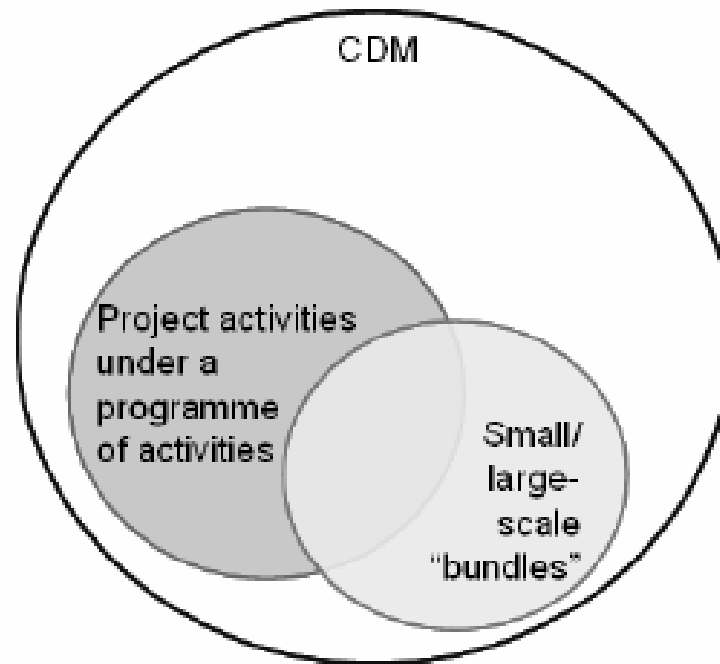
# PoA - Programme of Activities

**Voluntary coordinated action by a private or public entity**

- which coordinates and implements any policy/measure or stated goal ...
- which leads to GHG emission reductions or increase net GHG removals by sinks;
- that are additional to any that would occur in the absence of the PoA:
- via an unlimited number of CDM project activities (CPAs).



There is potential overlap between “bundles” and “programmes” of activities.



Source:Ellis (2006): ISSUES RELATED TO A PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES, OECD and IEA

## PoA: One coordinating agent needed but several host countries can be involved

### **One coordinating agent**

- Private or public
- Project participant- communicates with the Board
- Does not necessarily implement all actions but does promote others to do so
- Provides incentives to achieve reductions
- Ensures no double counting

### **Physical boundary can extend beyond one country**

- Letter of approval from each host country and Annex I country

# PoA: Registration requirements ask for one single methodology

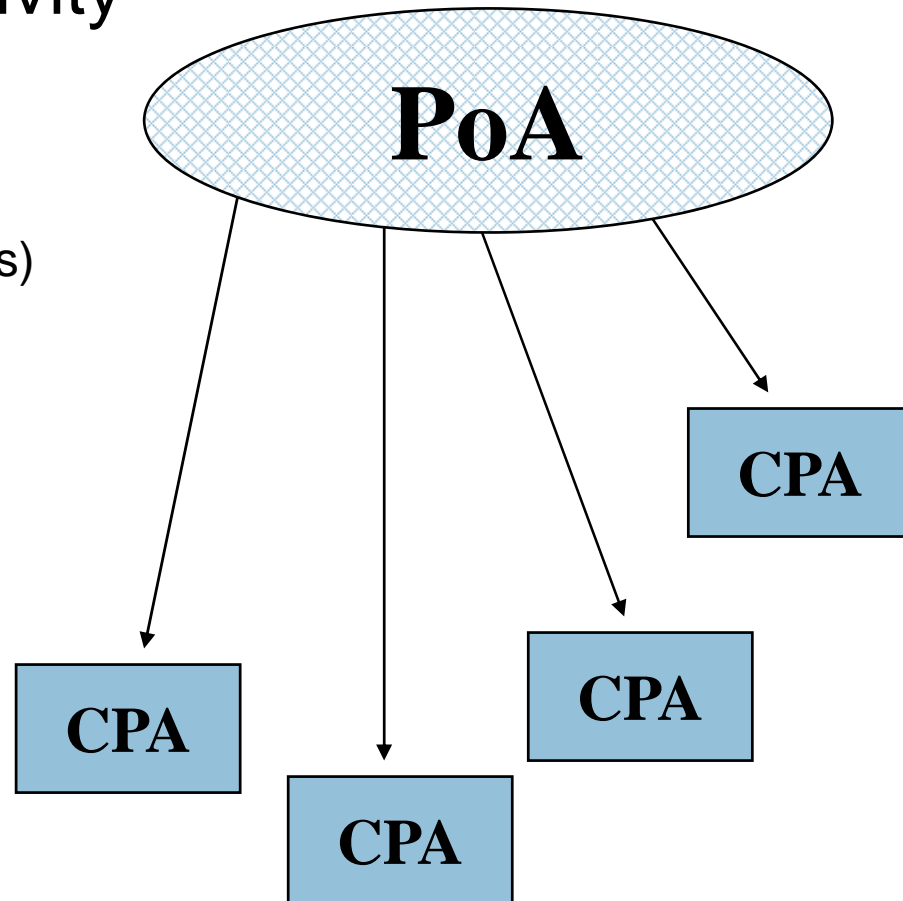
## Key registration requirements

- Managing entity and other PPs
- Boundary
- Policy/measure or goal
- Additionality
  - PoA would not be implemented, or
  - Policy/measure would not be enforced, or
  - PoA leads to greater enforcement
- At least one typical CPA
- Eligibility criteria for inclusion of other CPAs in PoA
- One baseline & monitoring methodology for all CPAs
- Sampling methodology for verification, if appropriate

# CPA - CDM Program Activity

A single or set of interrelated measure(s)

- to reduce GHG emissions
- applied within a designated area
- defined by a CDM methodology.



## CPA: Can be added to PoA at any time

- Can be implemented by many entities/owners
- One approved baseline and monitoring methodology for all CPAs
- Demonstration of additionality
- Unambiguous identification
- Can be added to PoA at any time during duration of PoA
- All CPAs end when PoA ends
- Crediting period of 10 or 7x3
- All CPAs are monitored as per monitoring plan
- Verification can be done by sampling

# Summary

## Key changes since EB28 guidance

- Several measures allowed (not just one technology);
- CPA can be a defined area (city, etc) not just one location;
- Can use currelty approved methdologies for CPAs;
- Once the PoA is registered, each additional CPA can be added after DOE check. No quasi-registration process.

## Remaining key limitation

- Restriction to one single methodology for a CPA

## Decisions expected from EB28

- Procedures for registration
  - PoA Design Document (CDM PoA DD)
  - CDM program activity Design Document (CDM CPA DD)
- >> PoA “may be revised as the body of knowledge expands...”

# Thank you very much!

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