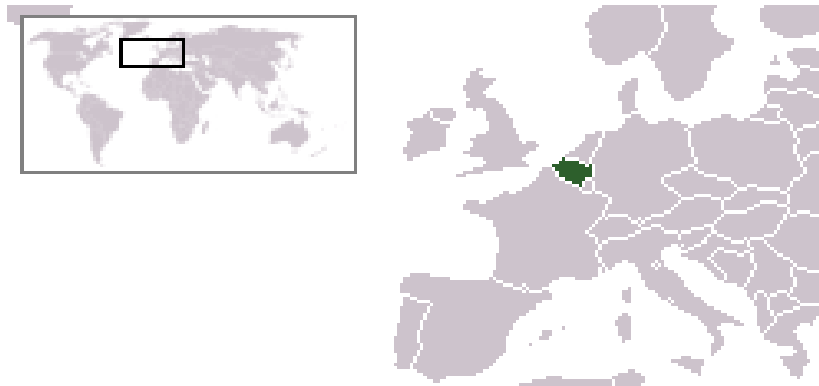


Development of a Trade Union criteria for CDM and JI projects



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Who? & What ?

Climate Change

Belgian tender for the acquisition of GHG emissions through JI and CDM projects



The FGTB comprises nearly 1.2 million workers who have come together to defend their rights & also fight for a more just world.



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Why?

Setting up a tool for GHG emission reductions under the Kyoto-protocol while supporting sustainable development.

- New Belgium policy
 - Belgian government wants 'Flexible mechanisms' (the CDM and JI) to contribute to sustainable development goals.
 - €9.3 million from JI/CDM projects
 - Payment will initially be generated from an electricity consumption tax.
- Composition of Technical Committee
 - Composed of Administration, Trade Union, Employer & NGO representatives.
 - Social criteria included in terms of call for tenders to purchase GHG emission quotas were established thanks to the union representatives from the FGTB en CSC.

What?

Project must:

- Respect:
 - Principles of the OECD's Guidelines for Multinationals
 - The eight basic Conventions of the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work
 - ILO Conventions 155 on Occupational Health and Safety & 169 on Indigenous & Tribal Peoples.
- Observe employment rates, quality & skills development.
- Show compliance to labour standards.
- Ensure access to essential services, including energy.
- Develop a plan for monitoring environmental, social & economic impact of the project.
- Involve Trade Union in monitoring where pre-financing of the project is desired.

When?

- The call for Expressions of Interest under the first Belgian JI/CDM closed on September 23, 2005.
- 36 Expressions of Interest were received
 - 18 successfully passed first phase screening.
 - Included 6 JI projects & 12 CDM projects.
 - Proposed projects located in Congo, India, Kenya, El Salvador, Vietnam, Cyprus, New Zealand, Hungary, Germany and Russia.
- Selected candidates now invited to submit a Proposal under second phase of the tender procedure, including:
 - The PDD (Project Design Document)
 - Validation/determination Report, for which they will receive a financial contribution of at least €27,500.
- Following the success of first tender, Belgian federal government will decide on the modalities of a second JI/CDM tender in early 2006.