



## Joint Implementation Action Group

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Dear colleagues and friends,

We would like to introduce the first newsletter from the JI Action Group. This newsletter will keep you informed on current activities of the JI Action Group and important developments on Joint Implementation. The JI Action Group is promoting JI as an effective market mechanism to reduce emissions, also beyond 2012. You are also more than welcome to explore our website [www.jiactiongroup.com](http://www.jiactiongroup.com)

Please feel free to share this newsletter with others.

With kind regards,

Jelmer Hoogzaad

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### **News**

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#### **JISC receives legal analysis on Gap Measures**

The JIAG provided a [legal assessment to the JISC](#) on the consequences that the absence of any agreement among countries on a second commitment period has on JI after 2012. Key conclusions are:

- ERUs relating to emission reductions achieved before 2013 can be issued, transferred and acquired after the end of the first commitment period on 31 December 2012.
- ERUs related to emission reductions after 2012 can be generated, issued and transferred in the same manner as pre-2013 ERUs ("late crediting") up until the end of the so called true-up period in 2015, as long as they are based on Assigned Amount Units (AAUs) from the first commitment period.
- To end the 'gap' debate, CMP as the decision-making body of the Kyoto Protocol is advised to confirm the details of the JI continuation during the Mexico conference at the end of 2010.

The full analysis and other submissions to the JISC is available at the [JIAG web-site](#).

### **JIAG calls for a prolongation of JI post-2012**

During a carbon conference in Moscow on 23 September Lennard de Klerk presented several measures to ensure continuation of JI projects after 2012. These so-called 'gap measures' will bridge the gap between the end of the Kyoto period in 2012 and the subsequent commitment period.

Further information: presentations in [Russian](#), in [English](#), an article by [Point Carbon](#) and the [conference coverage on Russia Today](#).

## ***Publications***

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### **The JISC launches a Question and Answer section on the future of JI**

Please visit the UNFCCC website to view the Question and Answer section prepared by JISC <http://ji.unfccc.int/FAQ/index.html>

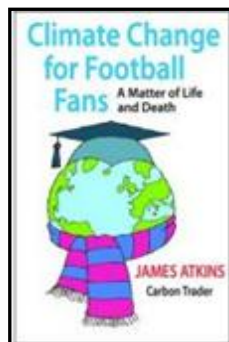
### **The AWG-KP publishes legal considerations on JI Gap Measures**

In August 2010 in Bonn, the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol published "Legal considerations relating to a possible gap between the first and subsequent commitment periods". On page 12 the AWG-KP concluded that "the institutional framework of joint implementation (...), [is] not expressly conditioned on the existence of a commitment period".

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### **James Atkins launches book 'Climate Change for Football Fans'**

Vertis Finance director James Atkins published his book "Climate Change for Football Fans: A Matter of Life and Death".

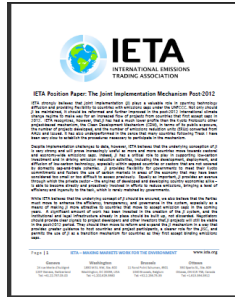


A short description: Climate change is a hot topic but dull: getting people to understand it is hard. This book makes it interesting. The book is funny, written in the earthy and irreverent language of the terraces, with a serious sub-text about climate change. It's a series of dialogues between a football-mad Burnley FC fan and Igor, a climate-obsessed professor.

The book is available at The Book Depository: [http://www.bookdepository.com/book/9781906860356/?a\\_aid=jamesatkins](http://www.bookdepository.com/book/9781906860356/?a_aid=jamesatkins)

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## IETA Position Paper on JI



IETA published its position paper on JI post-2012.

In its position paper from June last year IETA expressed strong support for JI and emphasizes the need to make the mechanism ready for developing countries that adopt emission targets.

[Download here.](#)

Earlier publications from the JIAG include:

- JIAG Position Paper on the future of JI ([download](#))
- A Legal Opinion on JI Projects from Kazakhstan and Belarus ([download](#))

## Meet the JIAG

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You can meet the JIAG members at the following events:

[Domestic Offset projects, achieving GHG emissions reductions](#) 23-24 Nov 10, Groningen, The Netherlands

[JIN](#) together with the [NEON](#) is organizing a 2 day workshop on domestic offsets parallel to the [Energy Delta Convention 2010](#)

[United Nations Climate Change Conference Cancun - COP 16 & CMP 6](#) 29 November-10 December 2010, Cancun, Mexico

Several JIAG members will attend the conference in Cancun to support the negotiations on the future of the flexible mechanisms under the Kyoto Protocol.

If you would like to meet the JIAG members, please send your request to [info@climatefocus.com](mailto:info@climatefocus.com) or contact the members directly.

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