

TEMPLATE

1 Deviation request form

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A. To be completed by Gold Standard

1 | Decision

1.1 | Date – 12/01/2023

1.2 | Decision

The deviation has been APPROVED based on the conditions below:

- The PD shall note that this is not a permanent approval. The PD must make sure to submit the Annual Reports latest by end of the following year as stipulated in PRINCIPLES & REQUIREMENTS - Version 1.2 § 5.1.39 to 5.1.44. in future.
- The PD must ensure that continuity in the project's monitoring activities is maintained, and PD is able to justify that no monitoring gaps exist (especially for SDG parameters) within the Monitoring Period(s). However, if gap(s) exist, the project shall justify that conservative approach(es) have been applied in line with the Deviation Approval Requirements.

The PD shall document the deviation request, its implications, and GS' decision in the appropriate section of the GS Monitoring Report (for the relevant MP). The verifying VVB shall, through appropriate means at its disposal, evaluate the Project's compliance

with the above two condition(s) and provides its opinion in the Verification Report. SustainCERT shall review both the PD's response and the VVB's assessment/ opinion of the same and take appropriate steps.

1.3 | Is this decision applicable to other project activities under similar circumstances?

NO

B. To be completed by the Project Developer/Coordinating and Managing Entity and/or VVB requesting deviation

2| Background information

The verification of the SUTAS KARACABEY BIOGAS PLANT will be completed in the next period. The annual reports for the missing years, that are stated in the table below, will be submitted with their current verification report.

Deviation Reference Number	DEV_360	
Date of decision	12/01/2023	
Precedent (YES/NO)	N/A	
Precedent details	NO	
Date of submission	29/12/2022	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID – GS1223
	<input type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID – GSXXXX
	<input type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID – GSXXXX
Project/PoA/VPA title	SUTAS KARACABEY BIOGAS PLANT	
Date of listing	-	
GS Standard version applicable		
Date of transition to GS4GG (if applicable)		
Date of transition to Gold Standard from another standard (e.g. CDM) (if applicable)//	N/A	
Date of design certification/inclusion (if applicable)	-	
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Host country(ies) Turkey	
Scale of the project/PoA/VPA	<input type="checkbox"/> Microscale <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small scale <input type="checkbox"/> Large scale	
Gold Standard Impact Registry link of the project/PoA/VPA	https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/135	
Status of the project/PoA/VPA	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Listed <input type="checkbox"/> Certified design <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certified project	
Title/subject of deviation	Annual Report Deviation	
Specify applicable rule/requirements/methodology, with exact paragraph reference and version number	AMS-I.C.: Thermal energy production with or without electricity --- Version 22.0 AMS-III.D.: Methane recovery in animal manure management systems --- Version 21.0	
Specify the monitoring period for which the request is valid (if applicable)	1st Monitoring Period (01/12/2018-30/11/2020) (AR:2019-2020) 2nd Monitoring Period (01/12/2020-31/08/2021) (AR:2020-2021)	
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	Project participant: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Validation and Verification body (VVB opinion shall be included, where required by the applicable rules/requirements or request is submitted by the VVB).	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes; VVB name: VVB Staff name(s):
Any previous deviations approved for the same project activity/PoA/VPA(s)?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

3 | Deviation detail

3.1 | Description of the deviation:

3.1.1 | Deviation detail (to be completed by Project developer):

The project owners do not conduct verification in each year (due to DOE costs, etc.) but rather need verification consultancy in each 2-3 years. In this case, the project developer and project owners sign the agreement for the verification of the past several years. When the project developer starts verification process, the annual reports are most often not submitted to GS yet. Hence, we kindly request a deviation for the missing years of ARs.

3.1.2 | VVB opinion (to be completed by VVB, if applicable):

N/A

3.2 | Assessment of the deviation:

3.2.1 | Deviation assessment (to be completed by Project developer):

There is no gap or problem with the projects' stakeholder communication. The logbooks are kept getting any grievance/comment related to the project implementation. If there is any comment, PP and DOE of these projects take it into account during verification. Other ways of communication are also valid such as face-to-face communication. Lack of annual reports does not create a problem in terms of project implementation.

VVB opinion (to be completed by VVB, if applicable):

N/A

3.3 | Impact of the deviation:

3.3.1 | Impact assessment (to be completed by Project developer):

The deviation does not have an effect on any SDG contribution, project implementation, monitoring plan, etc. The verifications are done periodically during the crediting period and will continue to keep monitoring in coming years. The points assessed in annual reports are monitored in the monitoring reports in more detail.

3.3.2 | VVB opinion (to be completed by VVB, if applicable):

N/A

3.4 | Documents:

Version number	Release date	Description
5	11.04.2022	Additional information added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - date of listing, design certification, transition - standard version - specific reference to a requirement deviated from - any previous deviations/design changes approved Guidance on VVB opinion
4	14.01.2021	
3	16.07.2020	
2	03.05.2018	
1	01.07.2017	Initial adoption