



**Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania**

**Report upon expiration of the additional period  
for fulfilling commitments by Lithuania**

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## **I. Introduction**

1. This report, submitted by Lithuania on 29th December 2015, contains the information required to be reported upon the expiration of the additional period for fulfilling the commitments for the first commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol (hereinafter referred to as the true-up period),<sup>1</sup> in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol.<sup>2</sup>
2. The information contained in this report covers the period 1 January to 18 November 2015, as well as the period 1 January to 31 December 2014, in accordance with decision 15/CMP.1, annex, paragraph 20.
3. The information required to be included in the report is presented using the standard electronic format (SEF) tables in accordance with decision 3/CMP.10, paragraph 3.
4. In addition to the SEF tables, the information required to be included in the report in accordance with decision 15/CMP.1, annex, paragraphs 12–16 is presented in reports R2–R5.<sup>3</sup>

## **II. Information provided before the submission of the report**

5. The SEF tables of Lithuania (with the file name RREG1\_LT\_2014.xlsx) covering the period 1 January to 31 December 2014 have been submitted previously and can be found at [http://unfccc.int/national\\_reports/annex\\_i\\_ghg\\_inventories/national\\_inventories\\_submissions/items/8812.php](http://unfccc.int/national_reports/annex_i_ghg_inventories/national_inventories_submissions/items/8812.php).
6. The reports R2–R5 covering the period 1 January to 31 December 2014 are not relevant for Lithuania.

## **III. Information incorporated into the report**

7. The SEF tables of Lithuania (with the file name RREG1\_LT\_2015\_20151118\_FINAL.xlsx) covering the period 1 January to 18 November 2015 are part of this report.
8. The reports R2–R5 covering the period 1 January to 18 November 2015 are not relevant for Lithuania.

## **IV. Other information contained in the report**

9. In addition to the information presented in sections II and III above, Lithuania also reports the following information:
  - a) **Information on actions to correct discrepancies, changes to the national registry to prevent discrepancies from reoccurring and resolution of previous questions of implementation pertaining to transactions**

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<sup>1</sup> Section XIII of decision 27/CMP.1 (Procedures and mechanisms related to compliance under the Kyoto Protocol) defines the additional period for fulfilling commitments.

<sup>2</sup> Decisions 5/CMP.1, 13/CMP.1, 15/CMP.1, 22/CMP.1, 27/CMP.1, 1/CMP.8 and 3/CMP.10.

<sup>3</sup> Report R2 (list of discrepant transactions) provides information on any discrepancies identified by the international transaction log, and additional information required under paragraph 12 of the annex to decision 15/CMP.1; report R3 (list of clean development mechanism (CDM) notifications) provides information on any notification received by the Party from the Executive Board of the CDM, directing the Party to replace long-term certified emission reductions, in accordance with paragraphs 13–14 of the annex to decision 15/CMP.1; report R4 (list of non-replacements) provides information on any record of non-replacement identified by the international transaction log, and the additional information required under paragraph 15 of the annex to decision 15/CMP.1; report R5 (list of invalid units) provides information on the quantities of Kyoto Protocol units held in the national registry that are not valid for use towards compliance with commitments under Article 3, paragraph 1, in accordance with paragraph 16 of the annex to decision 15/CMP.1.

10. In accordance with paragraph 17 of the annex to decision 15/CMP.1, Lithuania reports that no discrepancies have been identified by the international transaction log during the period 1 January to 18 November 2015 or the period 1 January to 31 December 2014; therefore, there was no need to take any action or make any change to its registry with regard to this issue.
11. In accordance with paragraph 17 of the annex to decision 15/CMP.1, Lithuania notes that a question of implementation pertaining to its transactions has been previously identified, but has now been resolved.

On 21 December 2011 the Enforcement branch of the Compliance Committee concluded that Lithuania was not in compliance with the guidelines for national systems (annex to decision 19/CMP.1). In particular, national system of Lithuania failed to perform some of the general and specific functions required by the guidelines for national systems and that the national system was not able to ensure that areas of LULUCF activities under Article 3, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Kyoto Protocol are identifiable in accordance with paragraph 20 of the “Definitions, modalities, rules and guidelines relating to land use, land-use change and forestry activities under the Kyoto Protocol” (Ref.: CC-2011-3-8/Lithuania/EB [http://unfccc.int/files/kyoto\\_protocol/compliance/questions\\_of\\_implementation/application/pdf/cc-2011-3-8\\_lithuania\\_eb\\_final\\_decision.pdf](http://unfccc.int/files/kyoto_protocol/compliance/questions_of_implementation/application/pdf/cc-2011-3-8_lithuania_eb_final_decision.pdf)).

In response to decision of the Enforcement branch Lithuania developed plan, outlining measures required to implement in order to reinstate its eligibility and demonstrated improvements of national system during the Expedited review, which took place on 28-29 September 2012. In the expedited review report (FCCC/EXP/2012/LTU) ERT concluded that Lithuania has in place all institutional arrangements and compiles all necessary data to identify the lands subject to activities under Article 3, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Kyoto Protocol and to enable accurate estimates of greenhouse gas emissions and removals associated with these activities; Lithuania's archiving system is fully in line with the relevant requirements of the guidelines for national systems; and Lithuania has fully addressed the relevant issues for improvement raised in the review reports of Lithuania's 2010 and 2011 annual submissions and in the decision of the enforcement branch of the Compliance Committee. On 24 October 2012, the Enforcement branch decided that there no longer continues to be a question of implementation with respect to Lithuania's eligibility, and that Lithuania is fully eligible to participate in the mechanisms under Articles 6, 12 and 17 of the Kyoto Protocol (Ref.: CC-2011-3-18/Lithuania/EB;

[http://unfccc.int/files/kyoto\\_protocol/compliance/questions\\_of\\_implementation/application/pdf/cc-2011-3-18\\_ltu\\_eb\\_decision\\_on\\_reinstatement.pdf](http://unfccc.int/files/kyoto_protocol/compliance/questions_of_implementation/application/pdf/cc-2011-3-18_ltu_eb_decision_on_reinstatement.pdf)).

**b) Commitment period reserve**

12. The commitment period reserve (CPR) of Lithuania is 108,113,775 t CO<sub>2</sub> eq. The calculation of Lithuania's CPR is contained in chapter G.2 of the “Report on the individual review of the annual submission of Lithuania submitted in 2014”<sup>4</sup> and was agreed by the relevant expert review team.

**c) Total quantity of units in the retirement account**

13. Table 1 presents the total quantity of Kyoto Protocol units in Lithuania's retirement account at the end of the true-up period, in accordance with paragraph 49(b) of the annex to decision 13/CMP.1.

**Table 1. Total quantity of Kyoto Protocol units in the retirement account**

AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs	Total
97066552	3477985	5893563	3348131	0	0	109786321

<sup>4</sup> FCCC/ARR/2014/LT, paragraph 87.

*Abbreviations:* AAUs = assigned amount units, CERs = certified emission reductions, ERUs = emission reduction units, RMUs = removal units, tCERs = temporary certified emission reductions, ICERs = long-term certified emission reductions.

14. The information regarding the serial numbers of the units mentioned in table 1 can be found at [http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/strategies/progress/kyoto\\_1/documentation\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/strategies/progress/kyoto_1/documentation_en.htm)

**d) Total quantity of units requested to be carried over to the second commitment period**

15. Table 2 presents the total quantity of emission reduction units, certified emission reductions and assigned amount units that Lithuania requests to be carried over to the second commitment period, in accordance with paragraph 49(c) of the annex to decision 13/CMP.1.

**Table 2. Total quantity of Kyoto Protocol units requested to be carried over from the first to the second commitment period**

<b>AAUs</b>	<b>ERUs</b>	<b>CERs</b>
71822887	2327000	246966

*Abbreviations:* AAUs = assigned amount units, CERs = certified emission reductions, ERUs = emission reduction units.

16. The information regarding the serial numbers of the units mentioned in table 2 can be found at [http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/strategies/progress/kyoto\\_1/documentation\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/strategies/progress/kyoto_1/documentation_en.htm)