

Supplementary information under article 7 of the Kyoto Protocol

1. Introduction

Article 7.1 describes the supplementary information required under the Kyoto Protocol, to be submitted with the annual inventory. Where appropriate, reference is made to other sections of this NIR where more information can be found.

2. Greenhouse gas inventory information

Steps taken to improve estimates in areas that were previously adjusted.

The actions taken and (expected) results are described in the section on LULUCF (section 7.9) and planned improvements (section 10.4). The UN initial review team decided to apply an adjustment for the base year emissions of 'deforestation' (LULUCF sector). The Netherlands have accepted this adjustment. The Netherlands have started a study on whether and how changes in emission estimates in this sector and in the relevant background documentation should be implemented. The results are expected to be included in the NIR 2009.

3. Assigned amount information:

information on ERUs, CERs, tCERs, ICERs, AAs and RMUs

During the year 2007 the Netherlands was not yet eligible under the Kyoto Protocol and no assigned amount had yet been fixed. This implies that during 2007 no CPR was established, no units were registered in the registry under the Kyoto Protocol, no units were issued, no transactions took place, etc. The Netherlands expect that as of the next annual inventory the information under this sub item will be more applicable.

4. Changes in the National System

Extensive information on the national inventory system is described in this National Inventory Report under the appropriate sections as required by the UNFCCC guidelines. More extensive background information on the National System is also included in the Netherlands Initial Report. The Initial Review in 2007 concluded that the Netherlands National System has been established in accordance with the guidelines. There have been no changes in the National System since the last submission and since the initial report¹.

5. Changes in the National Registry

An extensive description and background information on the registry have been included in the Netherlands Initial Report, submitted to the UN. Additional information on the registry has been provided to the UN and the Initial Review team in the IAR report (independent assessment report). Since then, no changes have been applied to the registry system. Based on the results of the technical assessment, as reported in the IAR, the ERT concluded that the Netherlands' national registry is fully compliant with the registry requirements as defined by decisions 13/CMP.1 and 5/CMP.1, noting that registries do not have obligations regarding operational performance or public availability of information prior to the operational phase.

6. Other issues

The Netherlands do not make use of the possibility of earlier voluntary reporting on the other issues.

¹ As part of the national system and its annual evaluation cycle, each year some (reference) documents are updated, such as the monitoring protocols and the QA/QC programme (if needed). This process and its results are described in chapter 1 of this NIR (notably section 1.6) and chapter 10 (reflecting the response on findings of the UNFCCC review process). These have not yet resulted in any significant changes (only editorial changes, some updates of references, etc); some of the actions as follow-up of the UN review will likely take effect in the next NIR.