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**AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON FURTHER COMMITMENTS  
FOR ANNEX I PARTIES UNDER THE KYOTO PROTOCOL**

**Fifth session**

**Bangkok, 31 March to 4 April 2008, and Bonn, 2–12 June 2008**

**In-session workshop**

**Means to reach emission reduction targets**

**1–3 April 2008**

## **In-session workshop on means to reach emission reduction targets**

**Information note by the secretariat**

### **I. Mandate**

1. The Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (AWG), at its resumed fourth session, requested the secretariat to organize, under the guidance of the Chair of the AWG, an in-session thematic workshop on the means that may be available to Annex I Parties to reach their emission reduction targets, including:

- Emissions trading and the project-based mechanisms under the Kyoto Protocol;
- The rules to guide the treatment of land use, land-use change and forestry;
- The greenhouse gases, sectors and source categories to be covered;
- Possible approaches targeting sectoral emissions.

The workshop should also cover the identification of ways to enhance the effectiveness of these means and their contribution to sustainable development.

2. At its third session, the AWG invited Parties and accredited observer organizations to submit to the secretariat, by 15 February 2008, information and views on the matters referred to above. At its resumed fourth session, the AWG further invited Parties to include in these submissions their views on the topics to be covered and the experts/organizations to be invited to participate in this workshop. These submissions are contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/MISC.1.

### **II. Purpose of the workshop**

3. The workshop will initiate work on the analysis of the means that may be available to Annex I Parties to reach their emission reduction targets. It will provide an informal setting to invite the input from experts and for Parties to present their views on the issues to be addressed for each of the means as well as on options to enhance the effectiveness of these means and their contribution to sustainable development.

4. The workshop will aim to answer, for each of the means, the following questions:
  - Will the means continue to be applied after the first commitment period?
  - Are changes to the rules for each of the means needed, either for legal reasons or to enhance their effectiveness and contribution to sustainable development?
  - What specific changes are proposed?

### **III. Date and venue**

5. The first part of the fifth session of the AWG will be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from 31 March to 4 April 2008, at the conference premises of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific. The in-session workshop will be held during this meeting, from Tuesday, 1 April, to Thursday, 3 April.

### **IV. Expected outcome**

6. The Co-chairs will produce a summary report before the end of the meeting listing possible issues to be addressed for each of the means as well as providing an initial compilation of options put forward by Parties for addressing the identified issues. Any new means identified by Parties will also be listed in this report.

### **V. Organization of work**

7. The workshop will be structured around the four means to reach emission reduction targets, as listed in paragraph 1 above. Four thematic sessions will be organized to address each of the means individually.
8. Overview presentations by experts and presentations by representatives from Parties on their perspectives on each of the means will be invited for each thematic session. These presentations will be followed by an in-depth discussion on the issues to be addressed for each of the means as well as options to enhance the effectiveness of these means and their contribution to sustainable development.
9. The workshop will be co-chaired by Mr. Harald Dovland (Norway), Chair of the AWG, and Mr. Mama Konate (Mali), Vice-Chair of the AWG.
10. A preliminary structure for the workshop is presented in the annex. A detailed schedule will be issued in due course.

Annex

*Preliminary schedule for the in-session workshop on means to reach emission reduction targets*

**Tuesday, 1 April**

*10.00–10.30*

**Opening**

- Objectives and expected outcomes

*10.30–13.00 and 15.00–18.00*

**Thematic session 1. Emissions trading, the clean development mechanism and joint implementation**

- A. Overview: Perspectives for the Kyoto mechanisms
  - Presentations and discussion
- B. Emissions trading
  - Presentations and discussion
- C. The clean development mechanism and joint implementation
  - Presentations and discussion

**Wednesday, 2 April**

*10.00–13.00 and 15.00–16.30*

**Thematic session 2. Land use, land-use change and forestry**

- Overview presentations by experts
- National experiences and views from Parties
- Discussion

*16.30–18.00*

**Thematic session 3. Possible approaches targeting sectoral emissions**

- Presentations and discussion

**Thursday, 3 April**

*10.00–12.30*

**Thematic session 4. Greenhouse gases, sectors and source categories**

- Overview presentations by experts
- Views from Parties
- Discussion

*12.30–13.00*

**Closing**

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