

## **AOSIS input to technical spin-off group on International Assessment and Review (IAR) 3.2.1**

### **Content**

- The goal of the enhanced reporting and review process, and the process for international assessment and review, should be to ensure a place for open consultation among all Parties with respect to Annex I Parties' progress in achieving emission reductions that can complement substantive provisions for review under Articles 5, 7, 8 and 18 of the Protocol.
- Decision 1/CP.16 should not be interpreted to relax in any way reporting obligations and review mechanisms that are in place for Kyoto Parties under the Protocol.
- Enhanced reporting and review provisions under the Convention should extend to all Annex I Parties these reporting and review elements for annual inventories and national communications now in place under Articles 5, 7 and 8 of the Kyoto Protocol, while at the same time maintaining these provisions in place under the Protocol. To these provisions should be added stringent guidelines for the review of biennial reports.
- All portions of the existing Article 8 review should be extended to all Annex I Parties, including:
  - the review of annual inventories;
  - review of holdings of assigned amounts, ERUs, CERs, AAUs, RMUs, and other tradable units;
  - review of national systems;
  - review of national registries;
  - review of information on minimization of adverse impacts under Article 3.14;
  - review of national communications and supplementary information for purposes of ensuring compliance; and
  - procedure for review of eligibility to use the mechanisms.
- Building on the current review process under Article 8 of the Kyoto Protocol (see 22/CMP.1), the objectives of the review process, and corresponding guidelines, should be to:
  - produce a thorough, objective and comprehensive technical assessment of all aspects of the implementation of targets,
  - promote consistency and transparency in the review of information submitted by Parties,
  - assist Annex I Parties in improving the reporting of supplementary information and information on implementation of commitments, and
  - provide the Conference of the Parties with a technical assessment of progress on targets and whether these targets are on track to be met.
- The review should identify problems of transparency, consistency, comparability, completeness and accuracy with respect to inventory information and

supplementary information required, which should be reported to the Conference of the Parties.

## Process

- To advance the IAR modalities and procedures by 2012, joint back-to-back workshops across developed and developing country Parties should be organized to facilitate discussions on process options for IAR and for ICA
- Secretariat should prepare a background paper on the process now in place for Annex I Parties under Convention and Kyoto Protocol, as well as on experiences with review processes in other multilateral fora and options derived from these experiences on potential designs for enhanced developed country international assessment and review processes and developing Party ICA processes.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Outputs</b>
June session	Timeline of activities	Schedule of events towards Durban
June session	Agreement on supplementary information	Base year, metrics, base period, gases/sectors, accounting units
Sept/Oct session	Provisions for support	Secretariat to provide technical input into CRF tables. Submissions from parties on inputs needed for this.
Sept/Oct session	Guidelines for biennial update reports	Prepare draft guidelines for biennial update reports
Sept/Oct session	Guidelines for enhanced AI national communications	Prepare revised guidelines for AI national communications
Sept/Oct session	Workshop on International Assessment and Review	Progress on IAR and schedule Secretariat paper on IAR in other multilateral fora
COP17	Provisions for support	Adopt CRF tables for support COP17
COP17	Guidelines for Biennial update reports	Adopt AI biennial reporting guidelines COP17
COP17	Guidelines for enhanced AI national communications	Adopt revised AI National Communication guidelines COP17
COP18	IAR	Adopt IAR Guidelines