

## Information note

### **Workshop on assumptions and conditions related to the attainment of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets by developed country Parties, as requested by decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 38**

#### **Mandate**

1. The Conference of Parties (COP), at its sixteenth session, in Cancun, Mexico, took note of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets to be implemented by Annex I Parties as communicated by them.<sup>1</sup> These targets are published in document FCCC/2011/SB/INF.1.
2. The COP further requested the secretariat to organize workshops to clarify the assumptions and the conditions related to the attainment of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets by developed country Parties, including the use of carbon credits from market-based mechanisms and land use, land-use change and forestry activities, and options and ways to increase their level of ambition.<sup>2</sup>
3. The COP urged developed country Parties to increase the ambition of their targets and requested the secretariat to prepare a technical paper with the aim of facilitating understanding of the assumptions and conditions related to the attainment of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets by developed country Parties and comparison of the level of emission reduction effort.<sup>3</sup> This technical paper will be issued shortly as document **FCCC/TP/2011/1**.
4. The first one of the workshops mentioned in paragraph 2 above was held on 3 April 2011 in Bangkok, Thailand, in conjunction with the sessions of the AWGs scheduled for 5 to 8 April. The presentations made during the workshop are available at: <http://unfccc.int/meetings/awg/items/5928.php>. The report on the workshop has been prepared as document **FCCC/AWGLCA/2011/7** and is available on the web page mentioned above.

#### **General objectives and approach to the workshops**

5. As outlined in the mandate for these workshops, the objective is to provide an opportunity for developed country Parties to clarify their quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets, the assumptions and the conditions related to the attainment of these targets, including the use of carbon credits from the market-based mechanisms and land use, land-use change and forestry, and options and ways to increase their level of ambition.
6. All Parties are invited to engage and contribute to the interactive exchange at the workshop. Developed country Parties who may be considering making presentations or specific interventions are encouraged to consider, when preparing for their participation in the workshop, paragraph 38 of decision 1/CP.16<sup>4</sup>, the report of the first workshop, as well as the presentations and questions discussed during the first workshop.

*“38. Requests the secretariat to organize workshops to clarify the assumptions and the conditions related to the attainment of these targets, including the use of carbon credits from the market-based mechanisms and land use, land-use change and forestry activities, and options and ways to increase their level of ambition”.*

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<sup>1</sup> Decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 36.

<sup>2</sup> Decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 38.

<sup>3</sup> Decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 39.

### **Organization of work and expected outcome**

7. The agenda for the workshop is presented in the annex to this information note.
8. The workshop will be built around presentations by Parties. All Parties are invited to contribute to the interactive exchange at the workshop. Series of four presentations will be followed by a 10 minutes question and answer session. Parties who may be considering making presentations at the workshop are invited to make either brief and focused presentations (no more than 5 minutes and, if needed, up to 3 slides) or short interventions (no more than two minutes). Parties intending to make presentations are invited to inform the secretariat in advance so that presentations on related topics may be grouped together.
9. Parties wishing to make presentations are invited to contact the secretariat at <lcaworkshops@unfccc.int> as soon as possible but not later than 3 June 2011.
10. The expected outcome of the workshop will be an oral report by the Co-Chairs of the workshop to the plenary meetings of the AWG-LCA and SBI upon their invitation. A written report will be issued after the session.

### **Date and venue**

11. The second part of the fourteenth session of the AWG-LCA will be held from 6 to 17 June 2011 at the Hotel Maritim, Bonn, Germany.
12. The workshop on assumptions and conditions related to the attainment of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets by developed country Parties will be held at Hotel Maritim, Bonn, on 9 June, 2011.

Annex

**Workshop on assumptions and conditions related to the attainment of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets by developed country Parties, as requested by decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 38**

*Agenda*

10:00<sup>5</sup> - 13:00

- Opening remarks by the Co-Chairs;
- Presentations by Parties, Q&A;

Break

15:00 - 18:00

- Presentations by Parties, Q&A;
- Closing remarks by the Co-Chairs.

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<sup>5</sup> The start time may change, please check the start time in daily programme.