Online RITS and review reports

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Objective and content of the presentation

- Objective: Provide guidance on how to use RITS and review report templates in coordination, in order to improve efficiency of the review process
- Content
 - Overview of RITS
 - Planned use of RITS in 2017
 - Use of RITS and ARR template in the review process
 - Creating a new issue in RITS
 - Workflow in RITS and ARR templates for
 - ▶ ERT assessment of previous recommendations
 - Findings based on Assessment Report
 - New findings by the ERT

Overview of RITS

- Review Issues Tracking System (RITS) is an online database tool to support GHG inventory reviews
- Can be accessed through iVTR by all ERT members, and it will replace the previously used review transcript from 2017 onwards (to be used by all ERTs)
- Used to create and manage review findings, ERT assessment, recommendations and encouragements
- LRs can use RITS to get a real-time overview of the status of the review work by each expert. This facilitates the LRs work, as they may
 - Identify need to provide further guidance to experts
 - Provide comments to text to be included in the ARR at an early stage
- RITS was used for the first time in the 2016 review cycle and was well received by the teams using it

Planned use of RITS in 2017

- The secretariat will pre-fill in RITS previous review recommendations and Party's responses to them in Assessment Report (AR)
 - ► The ERT will include its assessment of Party's implementation of previous recommendations in RITS
- The secretariat will pre-fill in RITS the findings from standardized data comparisons from AR and the Party's responses to them
 - The ERT will include its assessment regarding AR findings in RITS
- The ERT will open new issues in RITS for all new review findings and include recommendations and encouragements in RITS, where applicable

Use of RITS and ARR template in the review process

RITS

Before review week

- Work in RITS with previous recommendations, other AR findings and new ERT findings
- Draft ARR table 3 and 5 text in RITS

During review week

- Continue to work in RITS with previous recommendations, other AR findings and new ERT findings, taking into consideration Party's answers to ERT's questions
- Finalize ARR table 3 and 5 text in RITS

After review week

- Not necessary to work with RITS, focus on ARR
- ERT may update RITS based on QA/QC comments, Party's SP response if applicable and Party's comments on ARR

After ARR publication

 Update RITS to be in accordance with published ARR









ARR

Before review week

 Not necessary to work with ARR, focus in RITS

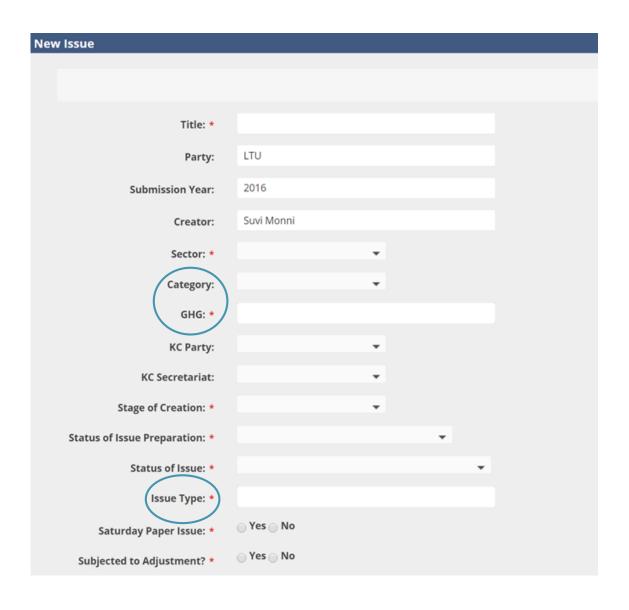
During review week

- Copy text to ARR tables 3 and 5 (in iVTR report preparation module) on the flow as issues are finalized
- All issues included in ARR by Saturday

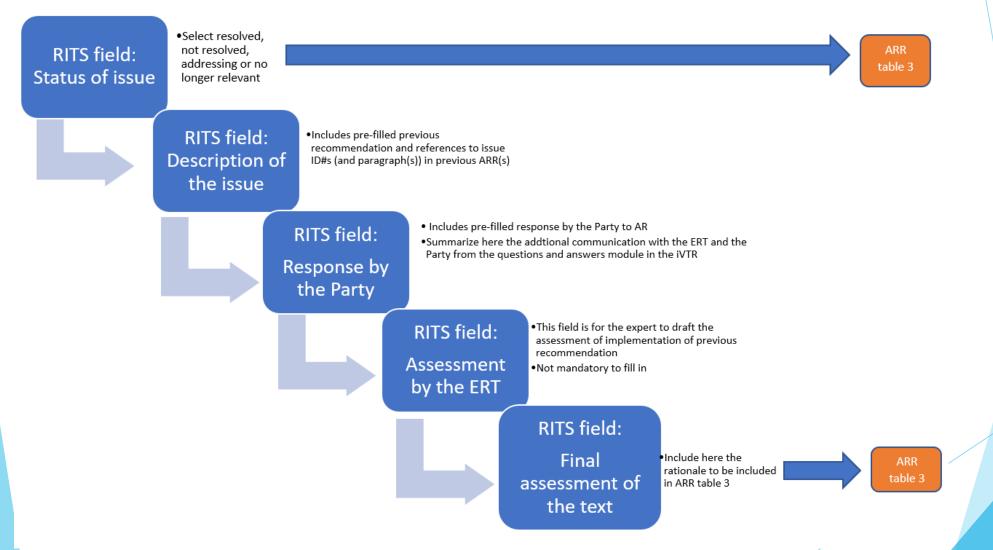
After review week

- Work in ARR to address and incorporate QA/QC comments, Party's SP response if appropriate and Party's comments on draft ARR
- Finalize ARR for publication

Creating a new issue in RITS



ERT assessment of previous recommendations



Findings based on Assessment Report

RITS field: Description of the issue

•Includes pre-filled description of the findings in AR (based on standardized data comparisons)

RITS field: Response by the Party

- Includes pre-filled response by the Party to AR
- •Summarize here the additional communication with the ERT and the Party from the questions and answers module in the iVTR

RITS field: Assessment by the ERT

- •Include here the ERT's assessment of the finding, considering the Party's response(s)
- •Not mandatory to fill in if the finding will be included in ARR table 5
- ·Mandatory to fill in if the finding will not be included in ARR table 5

RITS field: Recommendation by the ERT

- •This field is for the expert to draft the recommendation or encouragement
- •Not mandatory to fill in

RITS field:

of the issue

- •If the finding will not be included in ARR, leave blank Final description
 - •If the finding will be included in ARR, include here description of the finding

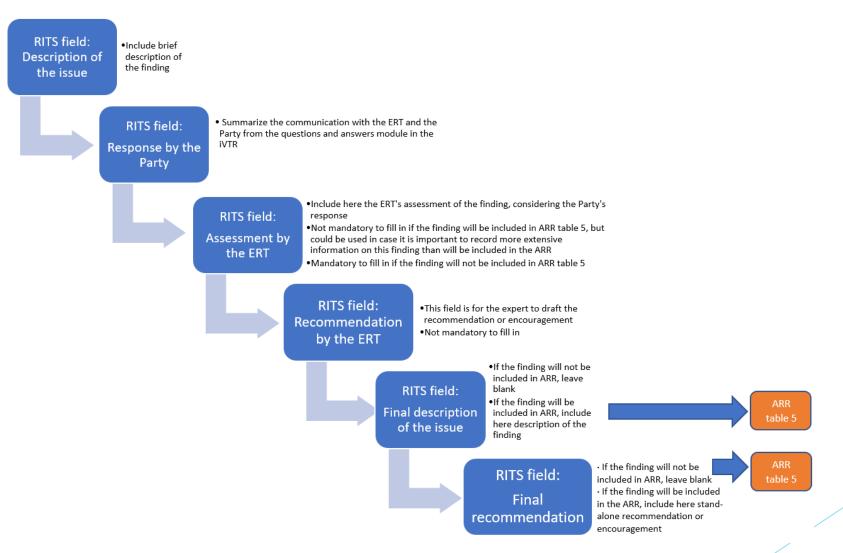
RITS field: Final recommendation

- · If the finding will not be included in ARR, leave blank
- · If the finding will be included in the ARR, include here standalone recommendation or encouragement



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New findings by the ERT



Thank you!