



COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE OF THE KYOTO PROTOCOL

CC/EB/40/2024/3 15 January 2025

ENFORCEMENT BRANCH

Fortieth meeting

24 October 2024 10:00 – 12:00 CEST Virtual Meeting Bonn, Germany

Report on the meeting

1. Opening of the meeting

- 1. The chairperson of the enforcement branch, Mr. Arne Riedel, opened the fortieth meeting of the enforcement branch and welcomed the members and alternate members of the branch to the meeting.
- 2. At the request of the chairperson, the secretariat provided information on the administrative, logistical and housekeeping arrangements. The secretariat also informed the meeting that a live broadcast link to the meeting had been posted on the UNFCCC website, where a recording of the meeting would also be available.

2. Adoption of the agenda and Organization of work

- 3. The enforcement branch adopted the provisional agenda without changes (<u>CC/EB/40/2024/2</u>) and agreed to conduct its work as presented by the chairperson in the indicative schedule of the meeting.
- 4. As per rule 9 of the rules of procedure of the Compliance Committee of the Kyoto Protocol (hereinafter, the "rules of procedure"), the branch conducted its business in open session and agreed to address agenda item 3 (Question of implementation with respect to Liechtenstein) in closed session.

3. Question of implementation with respect to Liechtenstein

- 5. The chairperson recalled that the Compliance Committee received a question of implementation raised by the expert review team (ERT) in the report on the review of the report upon expiration of the additional period for fulfilling commitments for the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol of Liechtenstein submitted in 2023.²
- 6. The chairperson further recalled that the question of implementation pertains to compliance with Article 3, paragraph 1 bis, of the Doha Amendment to the Kyoto Protocol (annex I to decision

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¹ Decision <u>4/CMP.2</u> as amended by decisions <u>4/CMP.4</u>, <u>8/CMP.9</u> and <u>6/CMP.17</u>.

² FCCC/KP/CMP/2023/TPR/LIE.





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1/CMP.8), as the ERT concluded that Liechtenstein's aggregate anthropogenic greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions for the second commitment period exceeded the quantity of Kyoto Protocol units in its retirement account for that period.

- 7. In accordance with section IX, paragraph 4, (a) and (b) of the procedures and mechanisms relating to compliance under the Kyoto Protocol (hereinafter, the "procedures and mechanisms"),³ the enforcement branch shall adopt a preliminary finding that the Party concerned is not in compliance with commitments under one or more of the articles of the Protocol referred to in section V, paragraph 4; or, otherwise, determine not to proceed further with the question.
- 8. The chairperson invited the secretariat to provide a brief summary of the status of the proceedings with respect to Liechtenstein. Thereafter, the representative of Liechtenstein was invited to address the branch. The branch then continued in a closed session to consider whether to adopt a preliminary finding on the question of implementation with respect to Liechtenstein.
- 9. In accordance with section II, paragraph 8, of the procedures and mechanisms, the adoption of decisions by the Committee requires a quorum of at least three-fourths of the members to be present.
- 10. Upon a request of the chairperson that the secretariat confirm the existence of quorum, the secretariat informed that there was no quorum for the adoption of decisions by the branch.
- 11. Therefore, pursuant to rule 11, paragraph 2, of the rules of procedure, and section II, paragraph 9, of the procedures and mechanisms, the branch proceeded on the arrangement that the preliminary finding on the question of implementation with respect to Liechtenstein will be circulated to members and alternate members of the branch on 25 October 2024 for adoption using electronic means.
- 12. The Chairperson declared the consideration of agenda item 3 closed, thanking representatives from Liechtenstein and the secretariat's review officers for their participation.

4. Other matters

13. No additional matters were raised under agenda item 4.

5. Closure of the meeting

14. The chairperson thanked everyone and declared the 40th meeting closed on 24 October 2024.

³ Decision 27/CMP.1, annex.