

Decision 12/CMP.1

Guidance relating to registry systems under Article 7, paragraph 4, of the Kyoto Protocol

The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol,

Recalling decisions 15/CP.7, 16/CP.7, 17/CP.7, 18/CP.7, 19/CP.7, 24/CP.8, 19/CP.9 and 16/CP.10,

Welcoming the considerable progress that has been made by the secretariat, as the administrator of the international transaction log, with regard to the development of the international transaction log,

Noting that the international transaction log is essential to the implementation of the mechanisms under Articles 6, 12 and 17 of the Kyoto Protocol,

Noting that the planned date on which registry systems may begin initialization testing with the international transaction log, as indicated in the annual report of the administrator of the international transaction log (2005), is 31 October 2006,

1. *Takes note* of the annual report of the administrator of the international transaction log (2005) (FCCC/KP/CMP/2005/5);
2. *Adopts* the general design requirements for the technical standards for data exchange between registry systems under the Kyoto Protocol, as contained in the annex to decision 24/CP.8;
3. *Endorses* decision 16/CP.10 on issues relating to registry systems under Article 7, paragraph 4, of the Kyoto Protocol, including in relation to the role and functions of the administrator of the international transaction log;
4. *Requests* the administrator of the international transaction log to implement the international transaction log in 2006, with a view to allowing registry systems to successfully connect to the international transaction log by April 2007;
5. *Requests* the administrator of the international transaction log, in carrying out the tasks requested in decision 16/CP.10 and facilitating, in accordance with that decision, the cooperation among administrators of registry systems and the involvement of appropriate experts from Parties to the Kyoto Protocol not included in Annex I to the Convention, to plan the first meeting for March 2006;
6. *Requests* the administrator of the international transaction log to provide, at the meeting referred to in paragraph 5 above, sufficient information on the implementation and schedule of the international transaction log to ensure transparency and facilitate the planning of other registry systems, and the implementation of paragraphs 6 and 7 of decision 16/CP.10;
7. *Requests* the administrator of the international transaction log, once registry systems become available, to facilitate an interactive exercise, including with experts from Parties to the Kyoto Protocol not included in Annex I to the Convention, demonstrating the functioning of the international transaction log with other registry systems and the full conformity of the performance of the international transaction log with relevant decisions and specifications for the international transaction log, and to include information on this exercise in its annual report to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol;
8. *Expresses* its appreciation to Parties that have contributed to the UNFCCC Trust Fund for Supplementary Activities in relation to this work;

9. *Requests* the secretariat, at the earliest stage possible prior to the twenty-fourth sessions of the subsidiary bodies (May 2006), to inform Parties included in Annex I to the Convention that are Parties to the Kyoto Protocol of any further contributions to the UNFCCC Trust Fund for Supplementary Activities which are required in relation to the development and operation of the international transaction log and to provide a detailed specification of such funding requirements;

10. *Requests* the secretariat to report to the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, at its twenty-fourth session (May 2006), on progress made towards the implementation of the international transaction log, in particular in relation to the content and timing of the testing and initialization of registry systems;

11. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to consider, at its future sessions, annual reports of the administrator of the international transaction log, with a view to requesting the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol to provide guidance, as necessary, in relation to the operation of registry systems.

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