

Decision 20/CP.21

Technical review in 2016 of greenhouse gas inventories from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 12/CP.9, 24/CP.19 and 13/CP.20,

Emphasizing the importance of ensuring that the Conference of the Parties has adequate and reliable information on annual greenhouse gas inventories from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention (Annex I Parties),

Recognizing that owing to a delay in the availability of a functioning CRF Reporter, not all Annex I Parties were able to submit their 2015 greenhouse gas inventories in time to start the review process of those inventories in 2015,

1. *Requests* the secretariat to organize, for Parties included in Annex I to the Convention (Annex I Parties) that did not undergo a review of their annual greenhouse gas inventory in 2015, the review of their 2015 greenhouse gas inventory submission under the Convention in conjunction with the review of their 2016 greenhouse gas inventory submission, ensuring that the reviews are organized in accordance with decision 13/CP.20;
2. *Decides* that the expert review teams shall review identical information only once, and that the expert review teams shall produce a separate, complete review report for each Party for each year, but may replicate the same review text in both review reports concerning identical information in both years' inventories;
3. *Also decides* that the exceptional measures taken under paragraph 1 above to review the greenhouse gas inventories for Annex I Parties for the years 2015 and 2016 shall not be precedent-setting for future work;
4. *Requests* the secretariat to make every effort to facilitate future reviews in accordance with decision 13/CP.20 and any subsequent relevant decisions, without exception;
5. *Also requests* the secretariat to continue to make improvements to the CRF Reporter functionality, prioritizing the resolution of outstanding issues related to transparency and accuracy, noting that the CRF Reporter is not yet fully functioning.

*10th plenary meeting
10 December 2015*