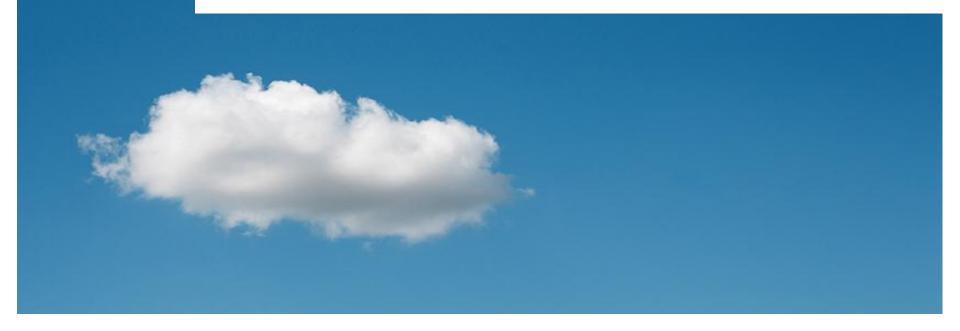


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# Break-out session on Accreditation & Verification - key outcomes, issues and next steps -

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#### **Overview**

- What have we done during yesterday's break out session?
  - Objectives, activities and achievements of the TF A&V in 2013/2014 (TF Manager Margreet Kleijn, NEA)
  - Summary of the key outputs from the 2014 A&V Forum and EA perspective (Niels-Christian Dalstrup, EA - European co-operation for Accreditation)
  - Tour de Table on experiences Member States made with the AVR
  - Priorities/Issues for the future work of the TF (TF Manager Margreet Kleijn, NEA)
- Key outputs/issues (incl. outputs the 2014 A&V Forum)
- Next steps



## Summary of the key outputs from the 2014 A&V Forum

- Peer review process of NABs almost completed, pending procedure regarding 1 NAB only
- EA EU ETS Network Group established and working on further harmonisation of accreditation/surveillance procedures
- EA published a link to NAB databases of accredited verifiers
   <u>http://www.european-accreditation.org/information/national-accreditation-bodies-having-been-successfully-peer-evaluated-by-ea</u>
- NABs encouraging/asking CAs to make use of the information exchange in order to contribute to surveillance activities



#### Tour de table

- A complete tour de table has shown that...
  - MS made positive experiences with the first EU ETS compliance cycle of phase III and with the application of the AVR
  - Most MS even observed an increased quality of verification services
  - A good/close cooperation between CAs and NABs on the national level has been established (or consolidated)
- However, it has also been reported...
  - That there are still some open / unsolved issues
  - There is still room for improvement regarding the
    - Quality of verification services/verification reports
    - Cooperation with regard to NABs from other MS



## Key outputs & issues identified for the TF and/or COM

- Observed misclassifications of misstatements/non-conformities/noncompliance/recommendations for improvement verification reports
  - FAQ published by EU COM should address these terms again including best-practice examples
  - Input still welcome
- Further harmonisation of the information exchange from the CA to the NAB, e.g. regarding the level of detail in the CAs reports (templates)
- Exchanging experiences regarding waiver of site visits and the application of the conditions for such waivers



### Key outputs & issues identified for the TF and/or COM

- Clarifications regarding the role of the verifier in checking the procedures according to Art. 12 (3) MRR and identifying changes to the capacity, activity level and operation of installations (Art. 24 Dec. 2011/278/EU)
- Making a proposal for the TWG "Benchmarking" regarding an update of GD 4 (verification of allocation related data)
  - Accreditation of verifiers according to scope 98 of the AVR Annex I
  - Verification requirements concerning data in the applications for the free allocation of allowances of New Entrants



#### **Next steps**

- For the TF A&V:
  - Keep working!
  - Updating the work plan with regard to the outputs of the 2014 A&V Forum as well as the 2014 Compliance Conference
- For all MS representatives:
  - Reassess whether you can contribute to the intended FAQ addressing the misclassifications in verification reports
  - Consider to join the TF A&V. Please feel invited!
  - TF manager: <u>Margreet.Kleijn@emissieautoriteit.nl</u>
- For the rapporteur?



#### Thank you for your attention!

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