



Accreditation & Verification Forum

Introductory Remarks:

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What has led us to the A&V Forum 2013?

- *1st EU ETS Verification Forum: 19 June 2007*
- *2nd EU ETS Verification Forum: 25 April 2008*
- *3rd EU ETS Verification Forum: 19 November 2008*
- *Phase 2 requirements, but also the prelude for revision of Article 15 EU ETS Directive, in particular paragraph 4:*

*By 31 December 2011, the Commission shall adopt a **regulation** for the **verification** of emission reports based on the principles set out in Annex V and for the **accreditation and supervision of verifiers**. It shall specify conditions for the accreditation and withdrawal of accreditation, for **mutual recognition** and **peer evaluation** of accreditation bodies, as appropriate.*

Aims of the 2013 A&V Forum

- *Confirmed understanding of the requirements affecting EU ETS from Phase III (emissions from 1st January 2013)*
- *Raised awareness of available guidance and templates*
- *Reassurance of on-going activities supporting implementation:*
 - **Progress on peer review of NABs**
 - **Progress on accreditation of verifiers**
 - **Progress of verifiers towards timely Year 1 verification reports**

*Platform to **share** concerns and hear solutions (CA, NAB and verifier representatives)*

Opportunities

- *For everybody to make interventions, especially in the **Roundtable session***
- *Initial agenda split into distinct sessions covering:*
 - **MRR/AVR Guidance**
 - **Accreditation**
 - **Competent Authority involvement**
 - **Challenges concerning verification**
- *Presentations to highlight key information and issues*
- ***However, it is your day. Please contribute/speak up***
- ***Take messages back to the colleagues you are representing***