# ROMANIAN EXPERIENCE ON EU ETS VERIFIERS ACCREDITATION

BASED ON REGULATION (EU) NO 600/2012 & EN ISO 14065:2013

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## 1. History

- Period I & II accreditation granted by the Ministry of Economy,
- Specific procedure for accreditation approved by the Government (Government Decision)
- ▶ The procedure prepared by the Ministry was based only on EA 6/03-2010
- The procedure reffered to initial accreditation + yearly surveillance
- Scopes according to the Annex of the Directive 2003/87/CE
- Verification Bodies accredited only legal persons (organizations)
- ▶ 9 VBs accredited, including aviation (3 VBs) + 10a: D 278/2011 (6 VBs)

## 2. Third EU ETS trading period

- RENAR National Accreditation Body of Romania since 1998 and according to Regulation (EC) 765/2008 since 2009, based on Government Ordinance 23/2009
- RENAR act under Ministry of Economy coordination
- ► February 2013 RENAR empowered by the Government (GD no. 66/2013) to accredit the VBs according to EN ISO 14065 & AVR
- VBs accreditation is coordinated by Ministry of Environment & Climate Change (as Competent Authority)
- ▶ EU ETS accreditation new accreditation scheme developed by RENAR
- Successful EA Peer evaluation in April 2013, including witness to a VB
- RENAR is EA MLA signitory for EU-ETS from 3 October 2013

- 7 VB accredited in 2013, acting only in Romania only legal persons (organizations)
- ▶ 1 VB under accreditation process in 2014
- Surveillance in 2014 (May June) for all 7 VBs
- Witness audits for all 7 VBs undertaken during January & February 2014
- Reference documents for accreditation available on RENAR's website
- ▶ 14 activity groups/31 scopes of accreditation in Annex I of AVR
- VBs accreditation covers 12 activity groups/25 scopes of accreditation according to AVR
- Verification activity covers about 200 installations & 36 aircraft operators



There are 6 scopes non accredited – no request for them

### Cooperation with the Competent Authority

- Agreement with Competent Authority (CA)
  - Set up rules of colaboration between RENAR CA
  - Includes exchange of information according to AVR
  - CA representative can be invited to participate in different stages of the accreditation process (application review, on site evaluation, witness, surveillence)
- ▶ RENAR and CA meet each time necessary to discuss aspects related to the verification process (i.e. this year at the end of the verification period there was organised a meeting to discuss the aspects related to the reporting)

#### RENAR's EU ETS accreditation scheme:

- ► Level 1: SR EN ISO/CEI 17011 + Regulation (EC) 765/2008
- ► Level 2: **Verification**
- ► Level 3: **SR EN ISO 14065**
- ► Level 4: **Regulation (EU) 600/2012**

#### Documents on EU ETS accreditation used by RENAR:

- RENAR prepared a Specific Regulation for VB accreditation endorsed by the Competent Authority:
  - Based on EN ISO 14065:2013
  - Regulation (EU) no. 600/2012
  - European Comisssion Guidance documents
  - ► EA 6/03-2013
- RENAR has policies, general regulations and procedures for accreditation applicable for EU ETS
- RENAR has set up a Forum for VB (internet discussion group: VBs + RENAR + CA) which is intended for information exchange, including COM guidance documents

#### Public available information

- Information on accredited VBs on RENAR's website
  - VBs list include:
    - Contact details
    - Accreditation certificate, issue date, expiry date
    - Annex of the accreditation cerificate specifying the scopes of accreditation: activity groups and accreditation scope according to AVR
    - ▶ All VBs operate only in Romania

## Personnel competence

- Requirements for RENAR personnel:
  - ► Fulfillment of art. 58 of AVR concerning the competence requirements for assessors
  - Knowledge on EN ISO 14065 and AVR
  - Experience in EU ETS area
  - Participation in COM workshops (Compliance Forum in 2011, 2012, 2013)

## Personnel competence (2)

- Qualification process of RENAR personnel
  - Selection of personnel based on the requirements established for EU ETS
  - ▶ Training of selected personnel on:
    - ▶ EN ISO 14065, AVR, MRR and Directive 2003/87/EC
    - ▶ COM guidance documents
    - ► RENAR's policies, regulations, procedures
  - Monitoring the trained personnel by tutors during on-site assessment
  - Examination
  - Accepted personnel introduced in RENAR's assessors data base

## Personnel competence (3)

- RENAR personnel involved in EU ETS accreditation scheme at the moment:
  - 2 Lead assessors
  - ▶ 3 Assessors
  - 8 Technical experts, including aviation and 98

#### **Accreditation Procedure:**

- Application based on accreditation standard EN ISO 14065 and AVR
- Records and document review
- On-site assessment:
  - ▶ Office: management system, impartiality, competence of personnel, verification process etc.
  - Witness: sampling based on the number of activity groups coverd by the scopes of accreditation and the full coverage of scope within an accreditation cycle
- Decision: taken by the Accreditation Council after all the non-conformities were closed
- Issue of Accreditation Certificate + Annex, against EN ISO 14065 and AVR

Manage of accreditation process in 2013

- ▶ All 7 VBs applying for accreditation previously accredited by the Ministry of Economy, being active in EU ETS Trading scheme since 2007
- Applications received after GD 66/2013 publication:
  - ▶ 1 in February, 1 in March, 3 in April, 1 in June and 1 in September
- Accreditation carried on against EN ISO 14065 and AVR, EA and Commission guidance documents
- ▶ First accreditation granted in July 2013, 2 in October and 4 in December

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