

14 Feb 2011 Update on transitional measure: Spain's EU ETS registry to resume operations on 16 February

The national emissions registry of Spain will resume normal operations on 16 February 2011 at 8am CET. This decision follows completion by the Commission of its review of the report from Spain's national registry on the adequacy of its security measures. With the report submitted, Spain has provided reasonable assurances that the minimum security requirements are in place.

Spain's registry is the seventh to resume normal operations following the suspension from 19 January 2011 of transactions, except for the allocation and surrender of allowances, in all EU ETS national registries due to cases of cyber theft. The registries of France, Germany, the Netherlands, Slovakia, the UK and Portugal have already resumed operations.

Cooperation with national authorities is constructive and the Commission expects several more reports to be submitted in the coming days.

The Commission will continue to provide updates on the situation and will announce the planned re-activation of each national registry 24 hours in advance.