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### **Reporting from and review of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention**

**Status of submission and review of national  
communications and biennial reports from  
Parties included in Annex I to the Convention**

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**Note by the secretariat**



## Abbreviations and acronyms

Annex I Party	Party included in Annex I to the Convention
BR	biennial report
COP	Conference of the Parties
CTF	common tabular format
NC	national communication
SBI	Subsidiary Body for Implementation

1. This document provides information on the status of submission and review of NC8s and BR5s from Annex I Parties as at 6 May 2024.
2. COP 25 requested Annex I Parties to submit their NC8s and BR5s to the secretariat no later than 31 December 2022.<sup>1</sup> In addition, COP 17 adopted the “UNFCCC biennial reporting guidelines for developed country Parties” and decided that developed country Parties shall use them when preparing their BRs.<sup>2</sup> COP 18 adopted the CTF for those guidelines<sup>3</sup> and COP 21 revised it and decided that developed country Parties shall use the revised format when preparing and submitting their BRs in accordance with decision 2/CP.17.<sup>4</sup>
3. At the time of preparation of this document, the secretariat had received NC8s from 43 Annex I Parties; Ukraine had not yet submitted its NC8. A total of 28 Annex I Parties submitted their NC8s before the due date of submission. All NC8s received have been posted on the UNFCCC website.<sup>5</sup>
4. In addition, the secretariat had received BR5s from 43 Annex I Parties, of which 42 had also submitted their BR5 CTF tables. Ukraine had not yet submitted its BR5 or BR5 CTF tables and Hungary had not yet submitted its BR5 CTF tables. A total of 28 Annex I Parties submitted their BR5s and 27 Annex I Parties submitted their BR5 CTF tables before the due date of submission. All BR5s and BR5 CTF tables received have been posted on the UNFCCC website.<sup>6</sup>
5. COP 20 decided that the “Guidelines for the technical review of information reported under the Convention related to greenhouse gas inventories, biennial reports and national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention” shall be used for the review of BRs, starting with R2s in 2016.<sup>7</sup> The guidelines state that, in the years in which NCs and BRs are submitted together, both will be subject to an in-country review and that Annex I Parties with total emissions of less than 50 million tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (excluding land use, land-use change and forestry) according to their most recent greenhouse gas inventory submission, with the exception of Parties included in Annex II to the Convention, may choose for their NCs to undergo a centralized review.<sup>8</sup>
6. As at 6 May 2024, the secretariat had coordinated the reviews of 43 Parties’ NC8s and BR5s. Seven Annex I Parties with total emissions of less than 50 million tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (excluding land use, land-use change and forestry) according to their 2022 greenhouse gas inventory submission (Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Monaco, Slovakia and Slovenia) opted for a centralized review, which took place in Bonn from 27 to 31 March 2023.
7. In-country reviews were conducted for 5 Parties (European Union, Finland, Netherlands (Kingdom of the), Spain and United States of America) in February–March 2023, 7 Parties (Austria, Cyprus, France, Greece, Ireland, Malta and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) in April–May 2023, 8 Parties (Belgium, Czechia, Denmark, Germany, Italy, New Zealand, Romania and Sweden) in September–November 2023 and 14 Parties (Australia, Canada, Croatia, Hungary, Iceland, Japan, Kazakhstan, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Switzerland and Türkiye) in January–April 2024. The reviews of the NC8s and BR5s of Belarus and the Russian Federation, owing to the geopolitical situation in their region, were conducted in Bonn from 16 to 20 October 2023 following the in-country review format to the extent possible.
8. Following the reviews referred to in paragraph 6 above, 18 Parties resubmitted their NC8s, BR5s and BR5 CTF tables, 10 Parties resubmitted their NC8s and BR5s and 8 Parties resubmitted their BR5 CTF tables.

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<sup>1</sup> Decision 6/CP.25, para. 3.

<sup>2</sup> Decision 2/CP.17, paras. 12–13.

<sup>3</sup> Decision 19/CP.18, para. 1.

<sup>4</sup> Decision 9/CP.21, para. 8.

<sup>5</sup> <https://unfccc.int/NC8>.

<sup>6</sup> <https://unfccc.int/BR5>.

<sup>7</sup> Decision 13/CP.20, para. 2.

<sup>8</sup> Decision 13/CP.20, annex, paras. 18 and 116.

9. Of the reviewed Parties, 13 underwent multilateral assessment, to which the report on the technical review of the Party's BR5 serves as input, at SBI 59. For the rest of the reviewed Parties, 15 will be multilaterally assessed at SBI 60 and 15 at SBI 61.

10. The table below presents the dates of submission and review of the NC8s, BR5s and BR5 CTF tables, and of publication of the reports on the technical review thereof, as at the time of preparation of this document.

**Dates of submission and review of eighth national communications and fifth biennial reports, and of publication of the reports on the technical review thereof, as at 6 May 2024**

<i>Annex I Party</i>	<i>Date(s) NC8 received</i>	<i>Date(s) BR5 received</i>	<i>Date(s) BR5 CTF tables received</i>	<i>Language(s) of submission</i>	<i>Date(s) of receipt of resubmission(s) as a result of review</i>	<i>Dates of review week</i>	<i>Date of publication of technical review report</i>	<i>Document symbol of technical review report</i>
Australia	22 Dec. 2022	22 Dec. 2022	22 Dec. 2022	English	–	12–16 Feb. 2024	–	–
Austria	29 Dec. 2022 7 Apr. 2023	29 Dec. 2022 7 Apr. 2023	29 Dec. 2022 22 May 2023	English	22 May 2023 BR5 CTF tables	8–12 May 2023	23 Aug. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/AUT– FCCC/TRR.5/AUT
Belarus	30 Dec. 2022	30 Dec. 2022	30 Dec. 2022 1 Nov. 2023	Russian	–	16–20 Oct. 2023	7 Feb. 2024	FCCC/IDR.8/BLR– FCCC/TRR.5/BLR
Belgium	21 Dec. 2022	21 Dec. 2022	21 Dec. 2022	English	–	20–24 Nov. 2023	4 Mar. 2024	FCCC/IDR.8/BEL– FCCC/TRR.5/BEL
Bulgaria	23 Dec. 2022 31 Mar. 2023	23 Dec. 2022 31 Mar. 2023	23 Dec. 2022 31 Mar. 2023	English	31 Mar. 2023 NC8, BR5 and BR5 CTF tables	27–31 Mar. 2023	3 Jul. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/BGR– FCCC/TRR.5/BGR
Canada	31 Dec. 2022	31 Dec. 2022	31 Dec. 2022	English French	–	18–22 Mar. 2024	–	–
Croatia	20 Mar. 2024	20 Mar. 2023 28 Feb. 2024	28 Feb. 2024	English	3 May 2024 NC8, BR5 and BR5 CTF tables	4–8 Mar. 2024	–	–
Cyprus	30 Dec. 2022 7 Jun. 2023	30 Dec. 2022 7 Jun. 2023	3 Jan. 2023 7 Jun. 2023	English	–	15–19 May 2023	24 Aug. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/CYP– FCCC/TRR.5/CYP
Czechia	6 Jan. 2023	6 Jan. 2023	6 Jan. 2023	English	–	11–15 Sep. 2023	22 Nov. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/CZE– FCCC/TRR.5/CZE
Denmark	18 Aug. 2023 27 Aug. 2023	18 Aug. 2023 27 Aug. 2023	23 Aug. 2023	English	–	23–27 Oct. 2023	1 Feb. 2024	FCCC/IDR.8/DNK– FCCC/TRR.5/DNK
Estonia	29 Dec. 2022 3 Feb. 2023	30 Dec. 2022 3 Feb. 2023	30 Dec. 2022 3 Feb. 2023	English	30 Mar. 2023 NC8 corrigendum	27–31 Mar. 2023	3 Jul. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/EST– FCCC/TRR.5/EST
European Union	20 Dec. 2022	20 Dec. 2022	20 Dec. 2022 25 Sep. 2023	English	25 Sep. 2023 BR5 CTF tables	27 Feb. to 3 Mar. 2023	3 Jul. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/EU– FCCC/TRR.5/EU
Finland	22 Dec. 2022	22 Dec. 2022	22 Dec. 2022	English	–	20–24 Mar. 2023	13 Jul. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/FIN– FCCC/TRR.5/FIN

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France	6 Jan. 2023 12 Jul. 2023	6 Jan. 2023 12 Jul. 2023	2 Mar. 2023 31 Aug. 2023	English French	12 Jul. 2023 BR5; 12 Jul. 2023 31 Aug. 2023 BR5 CTF tables	22–26 May 2023	26 Oct. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/FRA– FCCC/TRR.5/FRA
Germany	3 Feb. 2023	3 Feb. 2023	23 Dec. 2022 28 Sep. 2023	English	29 Sep. 2023 NC8 corrigendum	11–15 Sep. 2023	4 Jan. 2024	FCCC/IDR.8/DEU– FCCC/TRR.5/DEU
Greece	14 Dec. 2022	14 Dec. 2022	14 Dec. 2022	English	–	15–19 May 2023	16 Aug. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/GRC– FCCC/TRR.5/GRC
Hungary	4 Aug. 2023	4 Aug. 2023	30 Apr. 2024	English	30 Apr. 2024 BR5	8–12 Apr. 2024	–	–
Iceland	24 May 2023	24 May 2023	24 May 2023 7 Feb. 2024	English	23 Feb. 2024 NC8 corrigendum	5–9 Feb. 2024	–	–
Ireland	20 Feb. 2023	20 Feb. 2023	20 Feb. 2023	English	11 May 2023 NC8, BR5 and BR5 CTF tables	24–28 Apr. 2023	18 Aug. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/IRL– FCCC/TRR.5/IRL
Italy	30 Dec. 2022	30 Dec. 2022	30 Dec. 2022	English	–	23–27 Oct. 2023	14 Feb. 2024	FCCC/IDR.8/ITA– FCCC/TRR.5/ITA
Japan	23 Dec. 2022	27 Dec. 2022	27 Dec. 2022	English	–	29 Jan. to 2 Feb. 2024	–	–
Kazakhstan	30 Dec. 2022 13 Feb. 2023	30 Dec. 2022 13 Feb. 2023	14 Feb. 2023 8 Feb. 2024	English Russian	7 Feb. 2024 Additional information NC8 and BR5	5–9 Feb. 2024	1 May 2024	FCCC/IDR.8/KAZ– FCCC/TRR.5/KAZ
Latvia	28 Dec. 2022	28 Dec. 2022	28 Dec. 2022	English	12 Apr. 2023 NC8, BR5 and BR5 CTF tables	27–31 Mar. 2023	11 Jul. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/LVA– FCCC/TRR.5/LVA
Liechtenstein	10 Jan. 2023	10 Jan. 2023	23 Jan. 2024	English	17 Apr. 2024 BR-CTF tables	15–19 Apr. 2024	–	–
Lithuania	5 Jan. 2023	5 Jan. 2023	6 Mar. 2023	English	–	27–31 Mar. 2023	12 Jul. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/LTU– FCCC/TRR.5/LTU
Luxembourg	29 Nov. 2023 24 Dec. 2023	29 Nov. 2023 24 Dec. 2023	5 Dec. 2023 29 Mar. 2024	English	29 Mar. 2024 Additional	11–15 Mar. 2024	–	–

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Malta	23 Dec. 2022 9 Jun. 2023	28 Dec. 2022 9 Jun. 2023	28 Dec. 2022 9 Jun. 2023	English	9 Jun. 2023 NC8, BR5 and BR5 CTF tables	22–26 May 2023	23 Aug. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/MLT– FCCC/TRR.5/MLT
Monaco	16 Dec. 2022	16 Dec. 2022	16 Dec. 2022 31 Mar. 2023	French	31 Mar. 2023 BR5 CTF tables	27–31 Mar. 2023	8 Aug. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/MCO– FCCC/TRR.5/MCO
Netherlands (Kingdom of the)	2 Dec. 2022	2 Dec. 2022	2 Dec. 2022 27 Mar. 2023	English	27 Mar. 2023 BR5 CTF tables	13–17 Mar. 2023	6 Jul. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/NLD– FCCC/TRR.5/NLD
New Zealand	22 Dec. 2022	22 Dec. 2022	22 Dec. 2022	English	–	30 Oct. to 3 Nov. 2023	13 Feb. 2024	FCCC/IDR.8/NZL– FCCC/TRR.5/NZL
Norway	21 Dec. 2022 30 Mar. 2023	21 Dec. 2022 30 Mar. 2023	21 Dec. 2022	English	–	8–12 Apr. 2024	–	–
Poland	28 Dec. 2022	28 Dec. 2022	28 Dec. 2022	English	–	8–12 Apr. 2024	–	–
Portugal	28 Dec. 2022	28 Dec. 2022	28 Dec. 2022	English	23 Feb 2024 BR-CTF tables	5–9 Feb. 2024	–	–
Romania	30 Dec. 2022	31 Dec. 2022	31 Dec. 2022	English	–	11–15 Sep. 2023	4 Jan. 2024	FCCC/IDR.8/ROU– FCCC/TRR.5/ROU
Russian Federation	31 Dec. 2022	31 Dec. 2022	31 Dec. 2022	Russian	–	16–20 Oct. 2023	17 Jan. 2024	FCCC/IDR.8/RUS– FCCC/TRR.5/RUS
Slovakia	3 Feb. 2023	3 Feb. 2023	3 Feb. 2023	English	–	27–31 Mar. 2023	27 Jun. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/SVK– FCCC/TRR.5/SVK
Slovenia	16 Feb. 2023	16 Feb. 2023	20 Feb. 2023	English	14 Apr. 2023 BR5 CTF tables	27–31 Mar. 2023	4 Jul. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/SVN– FCCC/TRR.5/SVN
Spain	14 Dec. 2022 30 Mar. 2023	14 Dec. 2022	14 Dec. 2022 30 Mar. 2023	Spanish	30 Mar. 2023 NC8 corrigendum and BR5 CTF tables	13–17 Mar. 2023	7 Jul. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/ESP– FCCC/TRR.5/ESP
Sweden	3 Mar. 2023	3 Mar. 2023	6 Mar. 2023	English	–	18–22 Sep. 2023	17 Jan. 2024	FCCC/IDR.8/SWE– FCCC/TRR.5/SWE
Switzerland	16 Sep. 2022	16 Sep. 2022	16 Sep. 2022	English	–	29 Jan. to 2 Feb. 2024	–	–

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Türkiye	23 May 2023	23 May 2023	30 May 2023	English	18 Apr. 2024 BR-CTF tables	18–22 Mar. 2024	–	–
Ukraine	Not yet submitted	Not yet submitted	Not yet submitted	–	–	–	–	–
United Kingdom	5 Aug. 2022 22 Dec. 2022	5 Aug. 2022 22 Dec. 2022	22 Dec. 2022 16 May. 2023	English	22 Dec. 2022 Additional information NC8; 15 May 2023 BR5 corrigendum; 16 May 2023 NC8 corrigendum and BR5 CTF tables	24–28 Apr. 2023	25 Jul. 2023	FCCC/IDR.8/GBR– FCCC/TRR.5/GBR
United States	29 Dec. 2022	29 Dec. 2022	29 Dec. 2022 24 Nov. 2023	English	24 Nov. 2023 BR5 CTF tables; 30 Nov. 2023 Additional information BR5; 4 Apr. 2023 NC8 and BR5 corrigenda	13–17 Mar. 2023	19 Jul. 2023	FCCC/IDR.7–8/USA FCCC/TRR.3–5/USA