

***Key Outcomes of the Ninth
Conference of Parties to the
United Nations Framework
Convention on Climate Change
(COP9)***

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Recent Status of the Kyoto Protocol

Condition of entry into force (Article 25)

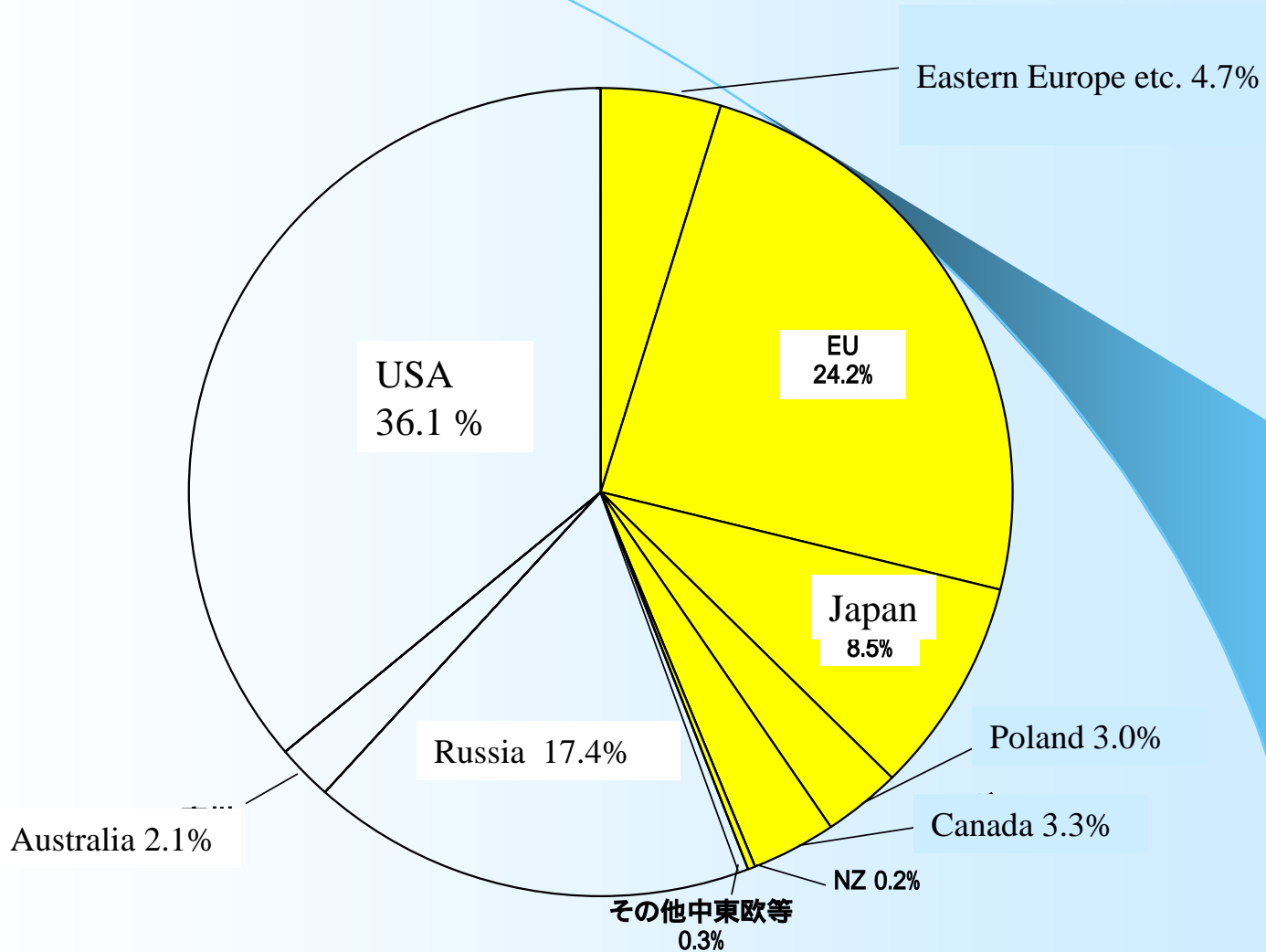
Ratification of both

- 1) Not less than 55 parties to the Convention.**
- 2) Annex I parties which accounted in total for at least 55 % of the 1990 total CO₂ emissions of Annex I parties.**

Now,

- 110 parties have ratified as of July 2003.**
- Emissions from ratified parties amount to 43.9% of those of Annex I parties.**

Annex I Parties' emission of CO2 in 1990



The Marrakesh Accords

- **Detailed rules of the Kyoto Protocol**
- **Adopted at COP7(2001) after 4 years negotiation**
- **Pave the way for many parties to ratify the Kyoto Protocol**

Funding

- **Three new funds are established**

(Under the Convention) :7/CP.7

- **Special Climate Change Fund**

(Area) Adaptation, Transfer of technology, Energy/Transportation/Industry/Agriculture/forestry and waste management, etc.

(Operation) GEF, under the guidance of the COP

- **Least Developed Countries (LDCs) Fund**

(Area) Support work program including National Adaptation Programs of Action

(Operation) GEF, under the guidance of the COP

Funding

(Under the Kyoto Protocol) :10/CP.7

- Adaptation Fund

(Area) Adaptation projects and programs

(Operation) GEF, under the guidance of the
COP/MOP

Development and Transfer of Technologies(4/CP.7)

- **Expert Group on Technology Transfer (EGTT)** was established.
- **Key themes and areas:**
 - Technology needs and needs assessments
 - Technology information
 - Enabling environments
 - Capacity building

Capacity Building(2/CP.7, 3/CP.7)

Scope of needs and areas

- Institutional capacity building**
- National communications**
- Clean Development Mechanism etc.**

Financial and technical resources should be made available through GEF.

LULUCF(11,12/CP.7)

Article 3.4

- forest management, cropland management, grazing land management, revegetation

-upper limits of sinks resulting from forest management were set for individual parties:

(Mt C/yr)

- Japan: 13 (3.9% of base-year emission)**
- Canada: 12 (7.3% of base-year emission)**
- Russia: 33 (4.0% of base-year emission)**

C O P 9

Date : **1 to 12 December, 2003**

Venue: **Milan (Italy)**

Main outcomes :

Decision on the rules of CDM-Sink

- **All the rules for the implementation of the Kyoto Protocol completed**
- **Need for the entry into force of the Protocol is increasing**

COP9 Decisions on CDM-Sink

Definition of Forestry Activities

- **Afforestation:** Activities which transfer lands where have not been forests for 50 years.
- **Reforestation:** Activities which transfer lands where have not been forests since 1989.

COP9 Decisions on CDM-Sink

Small Scale CDM-sink:

- **Projects whose CO₂-sinks are less than 8 kilotons.**
- **Projects which are planned or implemented by low-income communities in host-countries.**

Credits Term

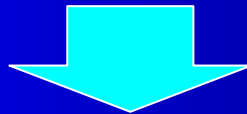
- **Max 20 years, renewable twice max. 60 years, or**
- **Max 30 years, not renewable**

Round-table Discussions among Ministers and other Heads of Delegations

Need for

- **Immediate entry into force of the Kyoto Protocol**
- **Rules applicable to all parties**
- **Adaptation activities**

was expressed.



**Momentum for Further Action on Climate
Change to Achieve the goal of the Framework
Convention.**

Side-Events during COP9

- **Discussion on a new commitment beyond the first period (2008-2012)**
- **Presentation & Discussion on long-term emission goals (around 2050)**
- **Development and transfer of technologies**
- **CDM/JI and Emission Trading**
- **LULUCF**
- **Inventories and National Communications**
- **Impacts & Adaptation**

Side-Events Discussion on post-2012

- **Shortcomings of the Kyoto Protocol.**
- **Proposal of new instruments:**
ex. R&D protocol,
regional climate agreements,
linkage to trade policy including
economic sanctions.
- **How do we think adaptation issues at the next stage?**

Side-Events Discussion on post-2012

- **Possible roads toward developing countries (DCs) participation where equity problems still remain: differentiation among DCs? start from voluntary commitments? step-by-step participation based on “graduate index”?**
- **No possibility for DCs to accept emission targets per capita convergence or per GDP target?**
- **What become incentives for DCs:
Link to basic human needs?
sustainable development?**

Side-Events Discussion on post-2012

- **Are there any miracle solutions apart from the Protocol? Are we going back to INC and AGBM negotiations?**
- **Index targets according to national circumstances?**
- **Combination of a long-term goal and short-term commitments for longer term (more than 5 years)? Multi-stage approach?**

COP10

- **Will be held in Buenos-Aires, Argentina, in December? 2004.**
- **Hopefully the Kyoto Protocol will enter into force at that time.**
- **Official discussions on post-2012 may start.**