



Guidance for reporting on projection parameters under Regulation (EU) No 525/2013

The Monitoring Mechanism Regulation (MMR, Regulation EU No 525/2013) calls for Member States to report, along with their greenhouse gas projections, the parameters used for preparing these projections. The Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 749/2014 provides the tabular format for this purpose.

1. Articles

The following two articles specify necessities when it comes to reporting parameters:

REGULATION (EU) No 525/2013

Article 14

(...)

4. *Member States shall make available to the public, in electronic form, their national projections of greenhouse gas emissions by sources and removals by sinks along with relevant technical reports that underpin those projections. Those projections **should** include descriptions of the models and methodological approaches used, definitions and **underlying assumptions**.*

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) No 749/2014¹

Article 23

1. *Member States **shall report the information on projections** of anthropogenic greenhouse gases emissions by sources and removals by sinks referred to in Article 14 of Regulation (EU) No 525/2013 **in accordance with the tabular formats set out in Annex XII** to this Regulation, using the reporting template provided and the submission process introduced by the Commission.*

In a nutshell:

- Member States should report on underlying assumptions (=parameters), and
- shall report this information by using the specified tabular format.

The tabular format for reporting parameters is laid out in **Annex XII Table 3**, titled: *Reporting on parameters for projections used*.

This tabular format has been translated into an Excel table, which has been made available to Member States via Eionet/MMR help folder: <http://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/help/mmr>

¹ <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32014R0749&from=EN>



2. Guidance

Please consult the European Commission guidance on recommended parameters for reporting on GHG projections in 2019, shared with Member States 15 June, available from:

<http://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/help/mmr>

From part 1 of this document, guidance for filling the excel Table 3 can be derived:

- **Parameters to report:**
 - It is recommended to only report those parameters which have been used when preparing the projections (input parameters).
 - Table 3 may include elements which may be outputs for certain models or sectors and are reported alongside the greenhouse gas projections. If such an element is listed, it is recommended to fill the corresponding cells.
 - For all other elements listed in Table 3, i.e. parameters which have not been used (nor are output alongside greenhouse gas emissions) when preparing projections, it is recommended to use appropriate notation keys in each cell (specified in footnote 8 of Table 3 in Annex XII):
 - IE (included elsewhere)
 - NO (not occurring)
 - C (confidential)
 - NA (not applicable)
 - NE (Not estimated/Not used) may be used, as appropriate. The use of the notation key NE (Not estimated) is for cases where the suggested parameter is neither used as a driver nor reported along with the Member States Projections.
 - Cells highlights in yellow in table 3 highlight mandatory reporting years (including the base year/reference year and an indication which year that is)
- **Units to use – column B, C:**
 - The table provides default units in column B.
 - It is recommended to report parameters in these default units. This facilitates QA/QC and comparability across projections.
 - If, for any reason, it is not possible to report in default units, it is recommended to provide the unit the parameter is reported in in **column C**.
- **Base year /reference year (year) – column D:**
 - Column D asks for reporting on the reference year of the projection.
 - Please provide in this column the historical year, which serves as a reference year to the greenhouse gas projection (e.g. the latest inventory year).
- **Years to report – columns E, F-AE:**
 - Mandatory reporting years are highlighted in yellow, this includes the value for the base year/reference year (column E).
 - It is recommended to report at least the values for all mandatory years.
 - It is suggested to also report on any year in between mandatory reporting years to facilitate better QA/QC and aggregation to EU-wide projections.