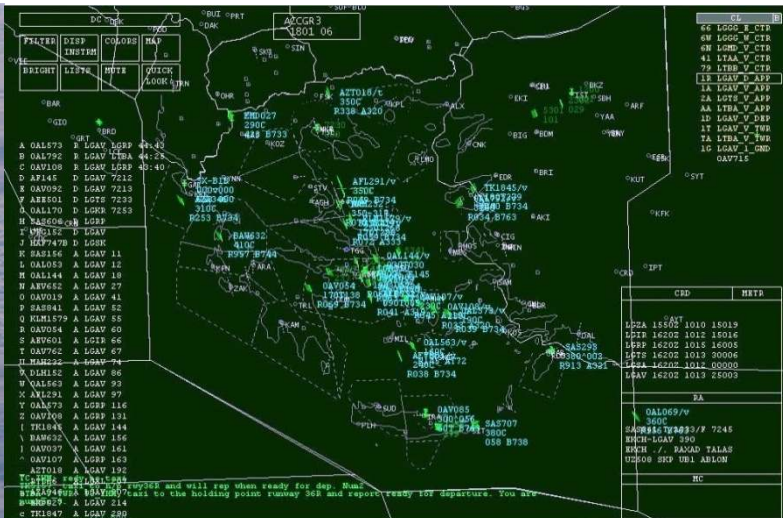




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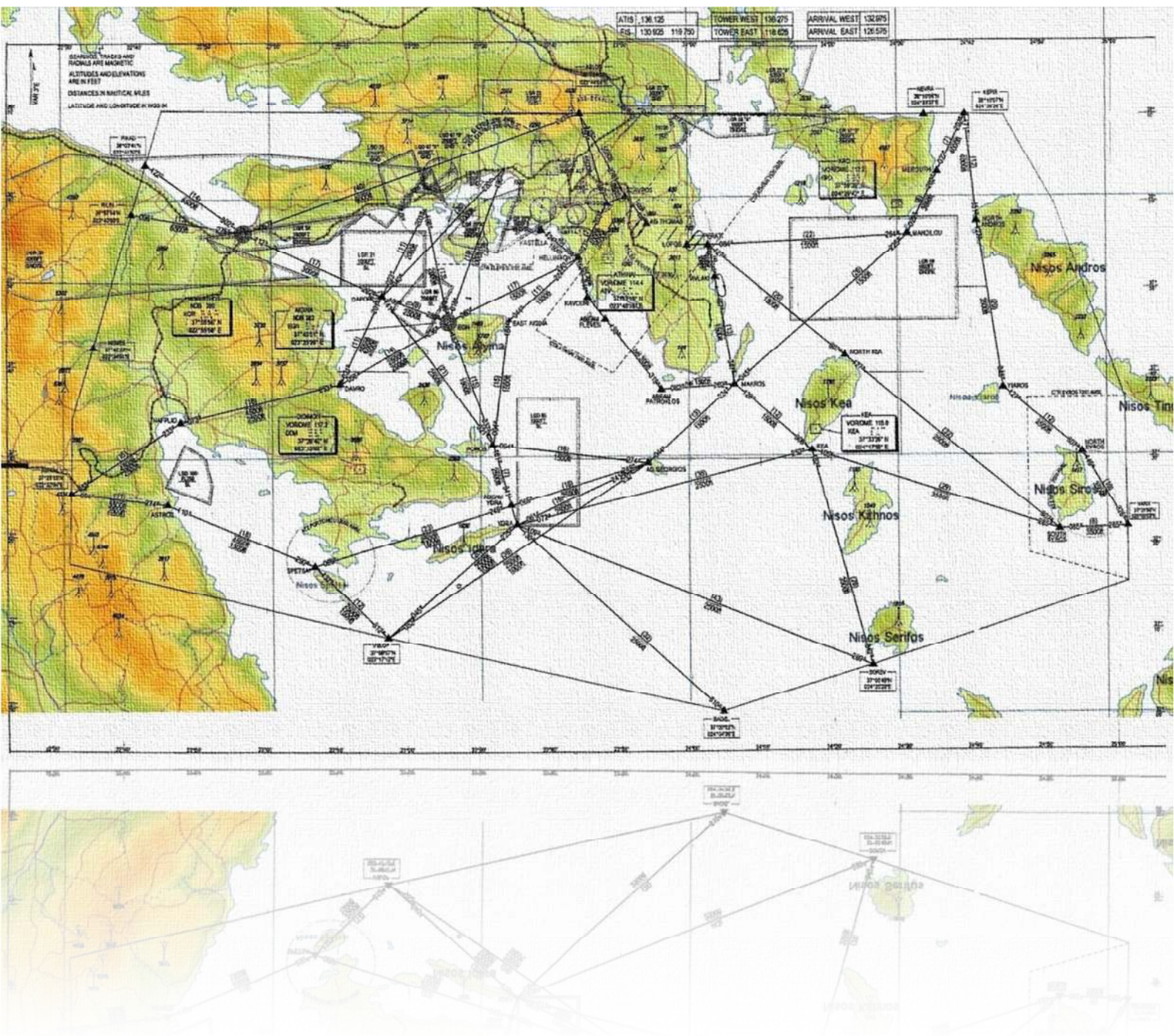
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INTRODUCTION



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1. General Information

- a) Greece is a member of the European Union since 1981 and a founding member of the European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC). ECAC is an intergovernmental organisation covering the widest grouping of Member States¹ of any European organisation dealing with civil aviation. It is currently composed of 44 Member States, and was created in 1955.
- b) ECAC States share the view that environmental concerns represent a potential constraint on the future development of the international aviation sector, and together they fully support ICAO's ongoing efforts to address the full range of these concerns, including the key strategic challenge posed by climate change, for the sustainable development of international air transport.
- c) Greece, like all of ECAC's forty-four States, is fully committed to and involved in the fight against climate change, and works towards a resource-efficient, competitive and sustainable multimodal transport system.
- d) Greece recognises the value of each State preparing and submitting to ICAO a State Action Plan on emissions reductions, as an important step towards the achievement of the global collective goals agreed at the 37th Session of the ICAO Assembly in 2010.
- e) In that context, it is the intention that all ECAC States submit to ICAO an Action Plan², regardless of whether or not the 1% de minimis threshold is met, thus going beyond the agreement of ICAO Assembly Resolution A/37-19. This is the Action Plan of Greece.
- f) Greece shares the view of all ECAC States that a comprehensive approach to reducing aviation emissions is necessary, and that this should include:
 - i. emission reductions at source, including European support to CAEP work
 - ii. research and development on emission reductions technologies, including public-private partnerships

¹ Albania, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, and the United Kingdom

² **[Comment: Insert this footnote only if necessary, i.e. if emissions reporting is not included in this Action Plan]** ICAO Assembly Resolution A37-19 also encourages States to submit an annual reporting on international aviation CO₂ emissions. This is considered by Europe an important task, but one which is different in nature and purpose to the Action Plans, which are strategic in their nature. For that reason, the reporting to ICAO on international aviation CO₂ emissions referred to at paragraph 9 of ICAO Resolution A37/19 is not part of this Action Plan. This information will be provided to ICAO separately.

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- iii. the development and deployment of low-carbon sustainable alternative fuels, including research and operational initiatives undertaken jointly with stakeholders
 - iv. the optimisation and improvement of Air Traffic Management, and infrastructure use within Europe, in particular through the Single European Sky ATM Research (SESAR), and also beyond European borders, through the Atlantic Initiative for the Reduction of Emissions (AIRE) in cooperation with the US FAA.
 - v. Market-based measures, such as open emission trading schemes (ETS), which allow the sector to continue to grow in a sustainable and efficient manner, recognising that the measures at (i) to (iv) above cannot, even in aggregate, deliver in time the emissions reductions necessary to meet the global goals. This growth becomes possible through the purchase under an ETS of CO₂ allowances from other sectors of the economy, where abatement costs are lower than within the aviation sector.
- g) In Europe, many of the actions which are undertaken within the framework of this comprehensive approach are in practice taken at a supra-national level, most of them led by the EU. They are reported in Section 1 of this Action Plan, where Greece's involvement in them is described, as well as that of stakeholders.
- h) In Greece a number of actions are undertaken at the national level, including by stakeholders, in addition to those of a supra-national nature. These national actions are reported in Section 2 of this Plan.
- i) In relation to actions which are taken at a supranational level, it is important to note that:
- i. The extent of participation will vary from one State and another, reflecting the priorities and circumstances of each State (economic situation, size of its aviation market, historical and institutional context, such as EU/ non EU). The ECAC States are thus involved to different degrees and on different timelines in the delivery of these common actions. When an additional State joins a collective action, including at a later stage, this broadens the effect of the measure, thus increasing the European contribution to meeting the global goals.
 - ii. Nonetheless, acting together, the ECAC States have undertaken to reduce the region's emissions through a comprehensive approach which uses each of the pillars of that approach. Some of the component measures, although implemented by some but not all of ECAC's 44 States, nonetheless yield emission reduction benefits across the whole of the region (thus for example research, ETS).

2. Current State of Aviation in Greece

2.1. Background information on greenhouse gas inventories, climate change and supplementary information required under Article 7, paragraph 1, of the Kyoto Protocol

The impact of all human activities on the climate of earth has been recognized as the greatest global environmental challenge involving the whole international community. The mitigation of the effects of this problem requires responses from governments, economic sectors and all societal actors working together.

Naturally occurring greenhouse gases (GHG) include water vapour, carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), nitrous oxide (N₂O) and ozone (O₃). In the last few years, a new category of greenhouse gases has emerged that includes hydrofluorocarbons (HFC), perfluorocarbons (PFC) and sulphur hexafluoride (SF₆). These gases are man-made and are mainly used in a number of industrial activities in replacement of CFCs. Other naturally occurring gases, which do not contribute directly to the greenhouse effect, are carbon monoxide (CO), oxides of nitrogen (NO_x), non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC) and sulphur dioxide (SO₂).

2.2. Background information on climate change United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

In response to the emerging evidence that climate change could have a major global impact, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (henceforth the Convention) was adopted on 9 May 1992 and was opened for signature in Rio de Janeiro in June 1992. Greece signed the Convention in Rio and ratified it in 1994 (Law 2205/94).

The ultimate objective of the Convention is the stabilisation of greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere at a level that would prevent dangerous anthropogenic interference with the climate system. The Convention recognizes that the developed countries should take the lead in combating climate change and calls these countries to:

- Adopt policies and measures to mitigate climate change.
- Return, individually or jointly, to 1990 levels of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gas by the year 2000
- Provide technology transfer and financial resources to help developing countries so as to confront climate change impacts and to develop, ensuring at the same time the environmental protection through the restraint of GHG emissions.

Kyoto Protocol

Recognizing early the need for an effective instrument to provide confidence in addressing the climate change challenge, the Parties at the third meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the Convention, held in Kyoto (1-11 December 1997), finalised negotiations related to the establishment of such a legal instrument, the Kyoto Protocol on Climate Change (henceforth the Protocol). The Protocol provides a foundation upon which future action can be intensified. It establishes, for the first time, legally binding targets for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and it also confirms the capacity of the international community to cooperate in action to deal with a major global environmental problem. The Protocol calls for legally binding commitments of the developed countries to reduce, individually or jointly, emissions of 6 greenhouse gases (CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, HFC, PFC and SF₆) by more than 5% in the period 2008 to 2012, below their 1990 level. The EU and its Member States agreed to a -8% reduction.

For the achievement of these targets, the Protocol provides for the use of the following:

- Adoption of national policies and measures.
- Establishment of an emissions trading regime.
- Establishment of the joint implementation mechanism.
- Establishment of a clean development mechanism and
- Protection and promotion of sinks to enhance CO₂ removals.

Detailed rules for the implementation of the Protocol were set out at the 7th Conference of the Parties (in Marrakesh) and are described in the Marrakesh Accords adopted in 2001.

The Protocol entered into force on 16 February 2005, after its ratification from 141 Parties including developed countries with a contribution of more than 55% to global CO₂ emissions in 1990.

At the first Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol (COP/CMP) held in Canada (December 2005) the rules for the implementation of the Protocol agreed at COP7 were adopted.

The same COP/CMP established a working group, called the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (AWG-KP), to discuss future commitments for industrialized countries under the Kyoto Protocol.

The Conference of the Parties (COP) in 2007, by its decision 1/CP.13 (the Bali Action Plan) launched a comprehensive process to enable the full, effective and sustained implementation of the Convention through long-term cooperative action, now, up to and beyond 2012, to be conducted under a subsidiary body under the Convention, the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-Term Cooperative Action under the Convention (AWG-LCA).

National commitments

Within the framework of the Convention, the Greek government, after taking into consideration both economic and social parameters, agreed that a realistic target for Greece was the restriction of the overall increase of carbon dioxide emissions to $15\% \pm 3\%$ by 2000 compared to 1990 levels.

The measures taken in order to achieve this restriction in the CO₂ emissions were described in the 1st Greek National Action Plan for the abatement of CO₂ and other greenhouse gases emissions (MINENV / NTUA 1995).

With respect to the EU target under the Kyoto Protocol (i.e. reduction of emissions at 8% for the period 2008-2012), EU has stated that this will be achieved jointly by EU Member-States under the provisions of Article 4 of the Protocol. The Burden-Sharing agreement between all Member States was finalised during the Environment Council in June 1998 and entered into force with Decision 2002/358/EC concerning the approval, on behalf of the European Community, of the Kyoto Protocol. According to this agreement, Greece is committed to limit its GHG emissions increase for the period 2008 – 2012 to +25% compared to base year emissions (1990 for CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O emissions – 1995 for F - gases). Greece ratified the Protocol in 2002 (Law 3017/2002) and adopted the 2nd National Programme for Climate Change (MINENV, 2002) for achieving the abovementioned commitment by a decision of the Council of Ministers (DCM5/2003).

2.2.1. Background information on greenhouse gas inventories

Annual inventories of greenhouse and other gases emissions form an essential element of each national environmental policy-making process. They can be used to derive information on emissions trends, with reference to a pre-selected base year, and can assist in monitoring the progress of existing abatement measures for the reduction of greenhouse gases emissions and the fulfilment of the KP target.

According to Article 4 of the Convention, Annex I Parties have the obligation to submit national inventories of GHG emissions and removals. At COP2, the annual submission of inventories was decided (Decision 9/CP.2), while the use of the "Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories" (henceforth IPCC Guidelines) was adopted with Decision 2/CP.3. In order to enhance the transparency of the GHG inventories submitted and improve comparability across sectors and different countries, the use of Common Reporting Format (CRF) tables for the submission of the emissions/removals estimates per source/sink category was adopted at COP5 (Decision 3/CP.5).

At the 12th session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), the use of the IPCC "Good Practice Guidance and

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Uncertainty Management in National Greenhouse Gas Inventories" (henceforth IPCC Good Practice Guidance) for inventories due in 2003 and beyond was decided. The IPCC Good Practice Guidance is considered as an elaboration of the IPCC Guidelines.

New reporting guidelines, together with a structure of the National Inventory Report (NIR) were adopted at COP8 (Decision 18/CP.8) for use in reporting annual inventories due in 2004 and beyond. Overall annual national inventories submissions include the submission of both the Common Reporting Format tables and the National Inventory Report by the 15th of April.

At COP9 the use of the IPCC "Good Practice Guidance for Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry" (henceforth LULUCF Good Practice Guidance) for inventories due in 2005 and beyond was adopted (Decision 13/CP.9). Moreover, new Common Reporting Format tables for LULUCF, to be used for a trial period covering inventory submissions due in 2005, were adopted with the same decision.

The Conference of the Parties (COP), by its decision 14/CP.11, adopted the tables of the common reporting format and their notes for reporting on land use, land-use change and forestry (LULUCF) sector, to be used for the purpose of submission of the annual inventory due in and after 2007. Greece, as an Annex I signatory Party to the Convention, has to comply with the above-mentioned reporting requirements.

Parallel commitments also exist under the European Council Decision 280/2004/EC concerning a mechanism for monitoring Community greenhouse gas emissions and for implementing the Kyoto Protocol. With the present report, which contains estimates of GHG emissions for Greece for the years 1990-2009, and the mandatory supplementary information required for the 2011 submission under the Kyoto Protocol, the above obligations are addressed.

2.2.2. Background information on supplementary information required under Article 7, paragraph 1, of the Kyoto Protocol

Greece, as an Annex I Party that is also Party to the Kyoto Protocol is also required to report supplementary information required under Article 7, paragraph 1, of the Kyoto Protocol, with the inventory submission due under the Convention, in accordance with paragraph 3(a) of decision 15/CMP.1. Part II of this report (Chapters 10-14) provides information on activities under Article 3, paragraph 3 (Afforestation, Reforestation, Deforestation) and the elected activity under Article 3, paragraph 4 (Forest Management), on accounting of Kyoto units, on changes in the national system and the national registry and information on the minimization of adverse impacts of climate change in accordance with Articles 3.14.

2.3. Overview of institutional, legal and procedural arrangements for compiling GHG inventory and supplementary information required under Article 7, paragraph 1, of the Kyoto Protocol

In article 5, paragraph 1 of the Protocol, it is specified that "Each Party included in Annex I shall have in place, no later than one year prior to the start of the first commitment period, a national system for the estimation of anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks of all greenhouse gases not controlled by the Montreal Protocol". A national system includes all institutional, legal and procedural arrangements made within an Annex I Party of the Convention that is also a Party to the Protocol for estimating anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks of all greenhouse gases not controlled by the Montreal Protocol, and for reporting and archiving inventory information.

The Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate Change, MEECC (former Ministry for the Environment, Physical Planning and Public Works) is the governmental body responsible for the development and implementation of environmental policy in Greece, as well as for the provision of information concerning the state of the environment in Greece in compliance with relevant requirements defined in international conventions, protocols and agreements. Moreover, the MEECC is responsible for the co-ordination of all involved ministries, as well as any relevant public or private organization, in relation to the implementation of the provisions of the Kyoto Protocol, according to the Law 3017/2002 with which Greece ratified the Kyoto Protocol.

Figure 2.1 provides an overview of the organizational structure of the National Inventory System.

The entities participating in it are:

- The **MEECC** designated as the national entity responsible for the national inventory, which keeps the overall responsibility, but also plays an active role in the inventory planning, preparation and management.
- The **National Technical University of Athens (NTUA) / School of Chemical Engineering**, which has the technical and scientific responsibility for the compilation of the annual inventory.
- **Governmental ministries and agencies** through their appointed focal persons, ensure the data provision.

The compilation of the LULUCF inventory (UNFCCC and Kyoto Protocol) is a responsibility of the General Directorate for the Development and Protection of Forests and Natural Environment (GDDPFNE) of MEECC and is conducted by external consultant.

International or national associations, along with individual public or private industrial companies contribute to data providing and development of methodological issues as appropriate.

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The legal framework defining the roles-responsibilities and the co-operation between the MEECC Climate team, the NTUA Inventory team and the designated contact points of the competent Ministries was formalized by circular 918/21-4-08 released by MEECC (former MINENV) entitled "Structure and operation of the National Greenhouse Gases Inventory System- Roles and Responsibilities" and modified accordingly. The above-mentioned circular includes a description of each entity's responsibilities, concerning the inventory preparation, data providing or other relative information. This formal framework has improved the collaboration between the entities involved, assuring the timely collection and quality of the activity data required and solving data access restriction problems raised due to confidentiality issues.

According to the Presidential Decree No 189 dated 5th November 2009 the new Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate change retains the responsibilities regarding the Environment, and Physical Planning of the former Ministry for the Environment, Physical Planning and Public Works. Furthermore, the General Directorate of Energy and Natural Resources, previously belonging to the Ministry of Development as well as the General Directorate of Forest Development and Protection and Natural Resources, previously belonging to the Ministry of Rural Development and Food, are transferred to the Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate Change. The Public Works General Secretariat was transferred to the new Ministry of Infrastructure, Transport and Networks.

2.4. GHG inventory, data collection, processing and storage

The preparation of the Greek GHG emissions inventory is based on the application of the Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, as elaborated by the IPCC good practice guidance.

The compilation of the inventory is completed in three main stages (Figure 2.2), while the timetable for the completion of those stages in the annual inventory cycle is presented in Figure 2.3.

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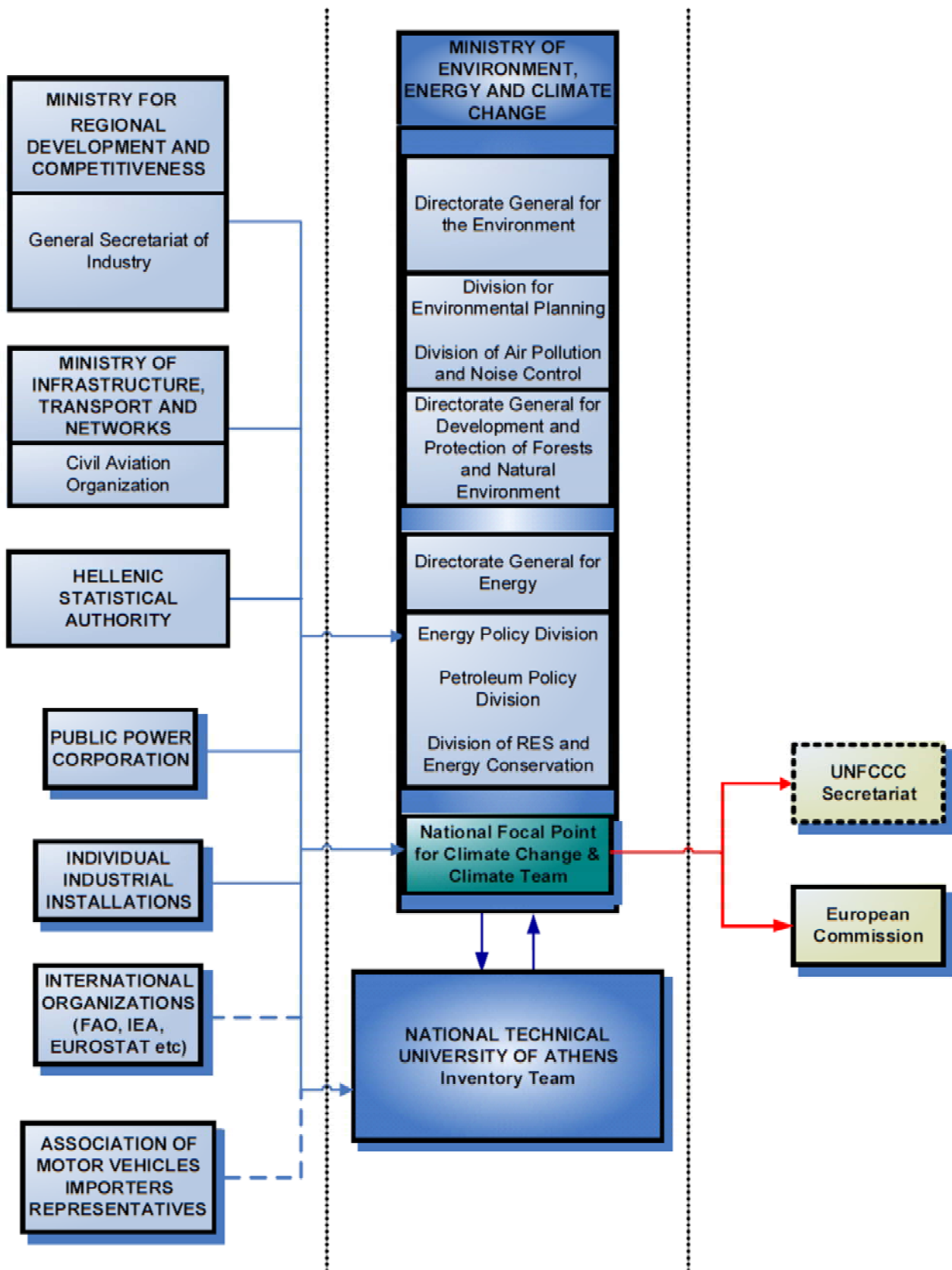


Figure 2.1 Organizational Structure of the National Inventory System

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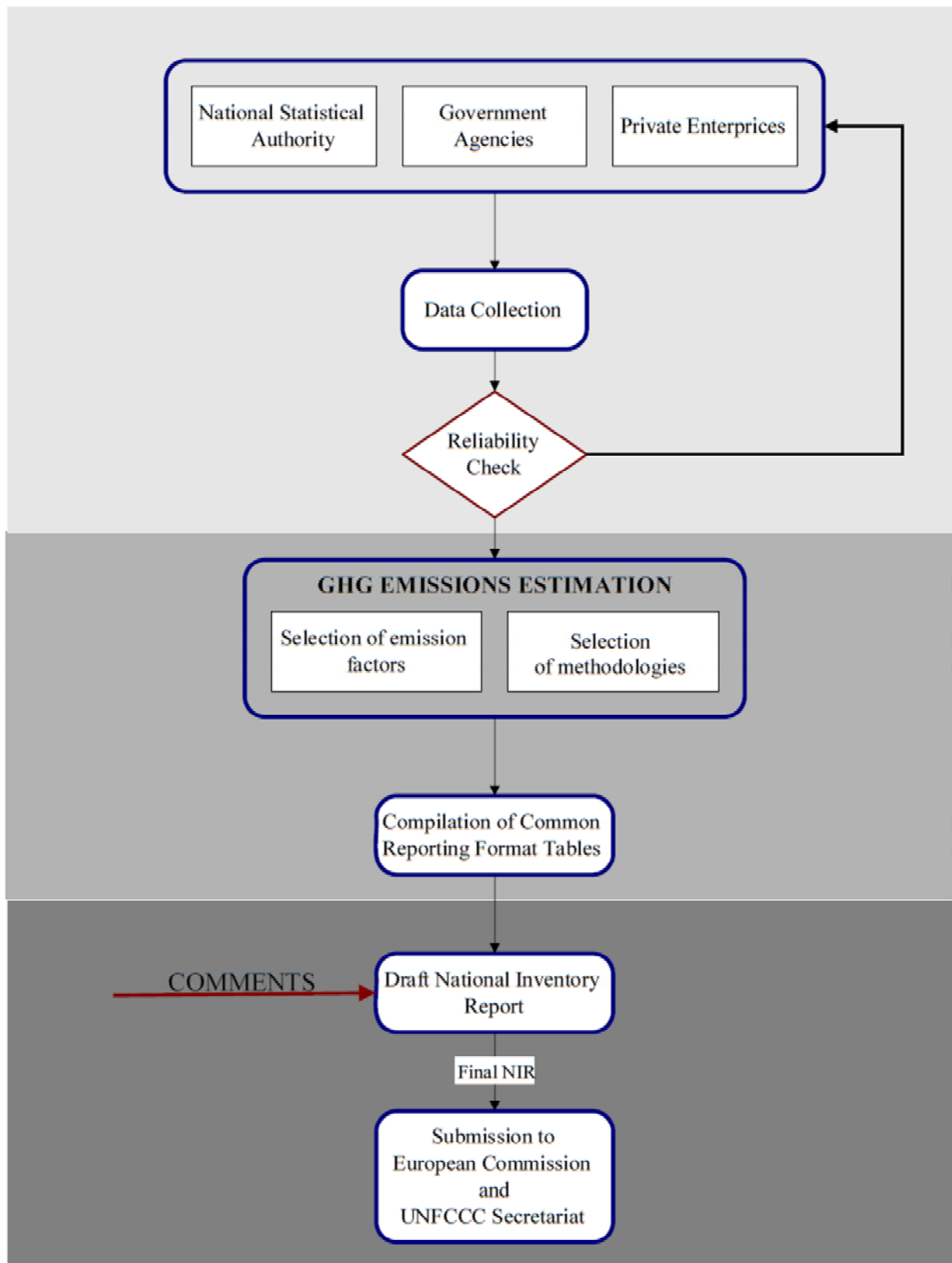


Figure 2.2 GHG emissions inventory preparation process in Greece

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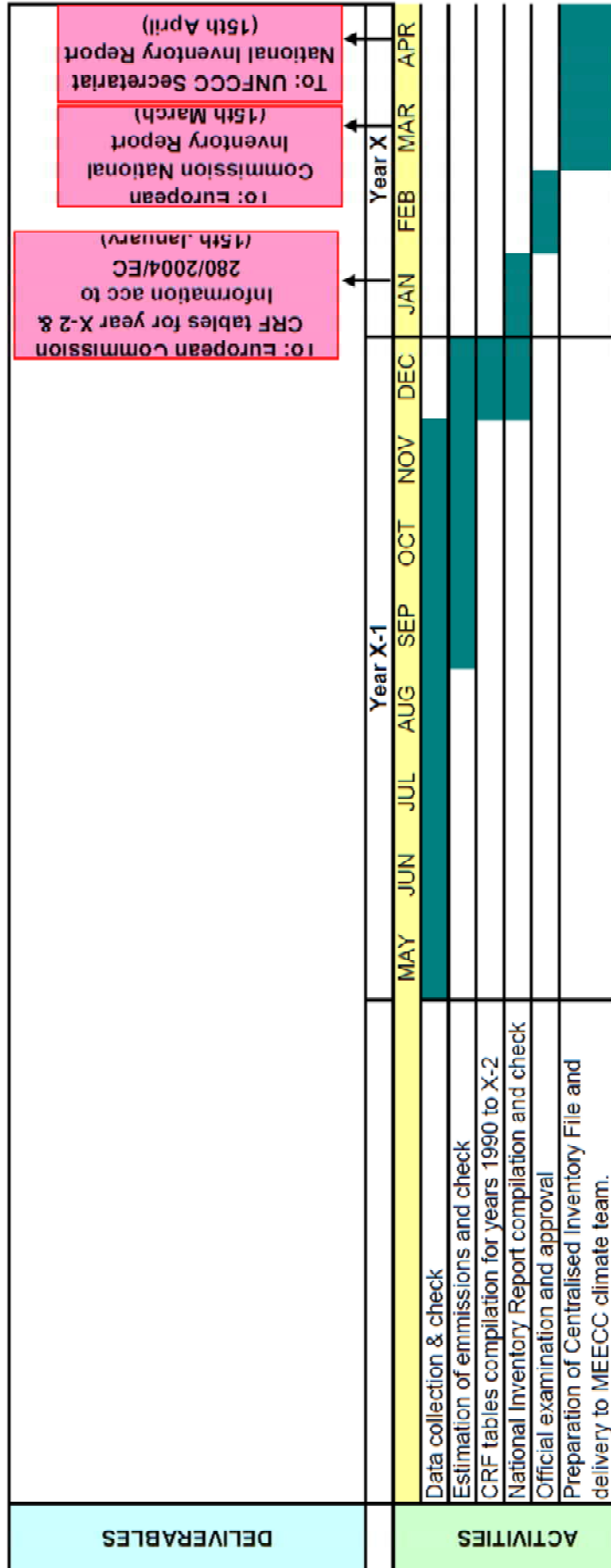


Figure 2.3 Timetable for the preparation and submission of GHG emissions/removals inventory in Greece

2.5. Emissions trends for aggregated greenhouse gas emissions

The GHG emissions trends (CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, HFC, PFC and SF₆) for the period 1990 - 2010 are presented in Table 2.4a & b (in kt CO₂ eq).

It is noted that according to the IPCC Guidelines, emissions estimates for international marine and aviation bunkers were not included in the national totals, but are reported separately as memo items.

Base year GHG emissions for Greece (1990 for CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O - 1995 for F-gases) were estimated at 107.23 Mt CO₂ eq. Given that LULUCF was a net sink of GHG emissions in 1990 (and for the rest of the reporting period) the relevant emissions / removals are not considered in estimating base year emissions for Greece.

In 2010, GHG emissions (without LULUCF) amounted to 118.29 Mt CO₂ eq showing an increase of 10.27 % compared to base year emissions and of 12.65% compared to 1990 levels. If emissions / removals from LULUCF were to be included then the increase would be 10.43 % (from 102.46 Mt CO₂ eq in 1990 to 115.64 Mt CO₂ eq in 2010).

Carbon dioxide emissions accounted for 82.40% of total GHG emissions in 2010 (without LULUCF) and increased by approximately 17.01% from 1990. Methane emissions accounted for 8.28% of total GHG emissions in 2010 and decreased by 5.1% from 1990, while nitrous oxide emissions accounted for 6.22 % of the total GHG emissions in 2010 and decreased by 28.44% from 1990. Finally, F-gases emissions that accounted for 3.1% of total GHG emissions in 2010, increased by 9.02% from 1995 (base year for F-gases).

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	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
A. GHG emissions per gas (excluding LULUCF)											
CO ₂	83301.00	83016.87	84718.81	84064.68	86339.80	86800.09	88917.19	93763.23	98671.77	98068.26	103210.17
CH ₄	10321.96	10276.63	10387.23	10369.93	10554.04	10580.86	10810.16	10716.54	10950.65	10865.81	10817.83
N ₂ O	10281.00	9978.05	9825.67	8952.02	8767.50	9033.48	9262.34	9042.57	8986.12	8898.09	8571.72
HFC	935.06	1106.82	908.39	1609.35	2150.52	3304.78	3844.18	4138.19	4638.51	5453.41	4345.18
PFC	163.37	164.17	161.21	96.98	60.37	53.97	46.14	107.67	133.04	90.32	105.09
SF ₆	3.07	3.16	3.26	3.35	3.45	3.59	3.68	3.73	3.78	3.87	3.99
Total	105005.46	104545.70	106004.57	105096.30	107875.68	109776.76	112883.69	117771.93	123383.87	123379.76	127053.98
B. GHG emissions/removals from LULUCF											
CO ₂	-2571.00	-2657.11	-2958.90	-3313.84	-2937.17	-3274.50	-2857.52	-2742.97	-3057.28	-3216.25	-2935.72
CH ₄	26.90	16.76	50.13	39.99	39.20	19.61	15.50	28.31	67.64	6.05	95.19
N ₂ O	2.73	1.70	5.09	4.06	3.98	1.99	1.57	2.87	6.86	0.61	9.66
Total	-2541.37	-2638.65	-2903.68	-3269.80	-2893.99	-3252.89	-2840.46	-2711.79	-2982.78	-3209.58	-2830.87
C. GHG Emissions from International Transport											
CO ₂	10475.30	9478.60	10665.71	12212.33	13251.52	13862.55	12399.31	12343.16	13595.02	12685.32	13857.13
CH ₄	179.14	165.19	188.14	203.36	174.84	180.14	165.31	161.24	129.75	152.92	181.06
N ₂ O	574.83	545.18	646.67	704.95	693.40	767.69	661.37	651.82	597.71	616.43	686.81
Total	11229.27	10188.97	11500.52	13120.64	14119.76	14810.38	13225.99	13156.23	14322.47	13454.67	14725.01

Table 2.4(a) Total GHG emissions in Greece (in kt CO₂ eq) for the period 1990-2000

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
A. GHG emissions per gas (excluding LULUCF)										
CO ₂	105569.73	105216.19	109351.32	109635.71	113407.80	111928.39	114442.27	110707.29	104472.44	97468.85
CH ₄	10028.24	10047.00	10073.90	10113.24	10148.37	10189.71	10032.42	9988.42	9731.05	9794.61
N ₂ O	8395.15	8313.59	8236.60	8244.17	7942.56	7728.75	7911.16	7514.51	7058.04	7357.59
HFC	3964.27	4130.47	3930.35	4014.57	4086.28	2229.07	2574.46	2956.54	3356.11	3557.92
PFC	71.16	69.14	72.47	68.99	69.89	66.35	76.22	89.12	69.87	101.61
SF ₆	4.06	4.25	4.25	4.47	6.45	8.37	9.92	7.53	5.26	6.14
Total	128032.61	127780.65	131668.89	132081.14	135661.35	132150.62	135046.45	131263.40	124692.77	118286.73
B. GHG emissions/removals from LULUCF										
CO ₂	-2786.57	-3079.29	-2766.77	-2965.92	-2896.74	-2957.87	-2383.65	-2751.34	-2836.79	-2649.58
CH ₄	15.37	2.49	3.40	8.53	4.90	9.64	167.23	20.26	20.94	7.06
N ₂ O	1.56	0.25	0.35	0.87	0.50	0.98	16.97	2.06	2.13	0.72
Total	-2769.64	-3076.55	-2763.02	-2956.53	-2891.34	-2947.25	-2199.45	-2729.02	-2813.72	-2641.81
C. GHG Emissions from International Transport										
CO ₂	13351.40	12214.71	13150.47	13327.28	11463.77	12661.00	12935.62	12808.67	10909.12	10735.60
CH ₄	184.97	225.09	200.39	234.39	114.04	123.87	158.13	119.77	104.31	16.39
N ₂ O	637.77	679.30	623.84	675.80	413.35	444.07	493.66	414.76	368.40	218.96
Total	14174.15	13119.10	13974.71	14237.47	11991.16	13228.95	13587.42	13343.19	11381.83	10970.96

Table 2.4(b) Total GHG emissions in Greece (in kt CO₂ eq) for the period 2001-2010

2.6. Transport

Internal aviation, road transportation, railways and internal navigation are included in the transport sector. Emissions from international marine and aviation bunkers are not included in national totals, but are calculated and reported separately as Memo items.

In total, GHG emissions from transport (Table 2.5(a,b)) in 2010 increased by approximately 58% compared to 1990 emissions (from 14.77 Mt CO₂ eq in 1990 to 23.33 Mt CO₂ eq in 2010).

The average annual rate of emissions increase from transport for the period 1990 – 2010 was approximately 3%, however, in 2008, an approximately 5% decrease of total emissions was observed compared to 2007 emissions. A more intense decrease (>10%) occurred in 2010 compared to 2009 emissions as a result of the economic recession.

In 2010, the majority of GHG emissions derived from road transport, the contribution of which increased from 80% in 1990 to approximately 84% of total emissions of the sector, as a result of two contradictory parameters: a) the significant increase of the number of vehicles in the country and b) the considerable progress in antipollution technology of the vehicles engines.

The share of internal navigation in the emissions of the transport sector fluctuated from 9-13% during the whole time period with almost 10% in 2009. Additionally, the contribution of internal aviation ranges from almost 5% in 1990 to 6% in 2010, while the contribution of railways decreased from 1.5% in 1990 to less than 0.3% in 2010. The contribution of other transport (pipeline transportation) is negligible.

Finally, the aggregated contribution of transport in total National GHG emissions is 21%.

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	Year	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
	Emissions (kt)										
Aviation	CO ₂	717	621	679	745	771	818	877	997	1014	1212
	CH ₄	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
	N ₂ O	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04
Road transport	CO ₂	11742	12589	12890	13189	13372	13803	14465	14801	15550	15828
	CH ₄	4.80	4.87	4.83	4.91	4.91	4.98	5.02	5.09	5.21	5.38
	N ₂ O	0.47	0.51	0.60	0.71	0.81	0.91	0.96	1.05	1.15	1.28
Railways	CO ₂	200	156	149	153	165	137	143	133	149	130
	CH ₄	0.11	0.09	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.07
	N ₂ O	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.05
Navigation	CO ₂	1825	1851	1899	1738	1831	1744	1493	1812	2793	2761
	CH ₄	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.12	0.13	0.13	0.11	0.14	0.21	0.22
	N ₂ O	0.46	0.48	0.47	0.47	0.44	0.39	0.32	0.33	0.50	0.42
Other	CO ₂	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
	CH ₄	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
	N ₂ O	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
kt CO₂	Total	14487	15219	15620	15827	16142	16504	16982	17746	19506	19931
kt CH₄	Total	5.05	5.10	5.06	5.13	5.15	5.20	5.23	5.32	5.53	5.69
kt N₂O	Total	1.03	1.08	1.15	1.26	1.35	1.39	1.37	1.48	1.75	1.80
kt CO_{2eq}	Total	14911	15661	16084	16326	16667	17043	17515	18315	20164	20608

Table 2.5(a) GHG emissions in the transportation sector per category for the period 1990 – 1999

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	Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	Emissions (kt)											
Aviation	CO ₂	1331	1227	1052	1185	1227	1213	1280	1347	1296	1452	1308
	CH ₄	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
	N ₂ O	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.05
Road transport	CO ₂	16020	16365	16964	17998	18108	18308	18895	19785	19066	20964	18907
	CH ₄	5.54	5.65	5.63	5.60	5.62	5.46	5.34	5.12	4.84	4.54	4.14
	N ₂ O	0.85	0.87	0.89	0.90	0.93	0.89	0.94	0.95	0.93	0.81	0.61
Railways	CO ₂	130	130	130	130	130	129	132	119	116	97	63
	CH ₄	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.04
	N ₂ O	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.02
Navigation	CO ₂	1580	2145	1937	1923	2153	2054	2262	2107	1885	2808	2286
	CH ₄	0.11	0.16	0.14	0.14	0.16	0.15	0.17	0.16	0.14	0.23	0.18
	N ₂ O	0.36	0.48	0.45	0.42	0.43	0.45	0.49	0.44	0.42	0.40	0.39
Other	CO ₂	NO	2.06	5.43	3.62	2.21	3.81	4.91	7.44	14.32	0	0
	CH ₄	NO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	N ₂ O	NO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
kt CO₂	Total	19060	19869	20088	21240	21620	21708	22574	23365	22378	25331	22573
kt CH₄	Total	5.75	5.90	5.86	5.84	5.88	5.70	5.60	5.36	5.06	4.84	4.37
kt N₂O	Total	1.31	1.44	1.43	1.41	1.45	1.44	1.53	1.49	1.44	1.30	1.07
kt CO_{2eq}	Total	19585	20439	20654	21800	22194	22273	23165	23939	22931	25837	22996

Table 2.5(b) GHG emissions in the transportation sector per category for the period 2000 – 2009

2.7. Internal aviation

GHG emissions from domestic aviation are calculated according to the Tier 2a methodology suggested by the IPCC Guidelines, which is based on the combination of energy consumption data and air traffic data (Landing and Take-off cycles, LTOs). The emission factors used and the distribution of consumption in LTOs and cruise are the suggested CORINAIR values (SNAP 080501 & 080503 – EEA 2001) for average fleet.

The data on energy consumption derive from the national energy balance, while data on LTOs are provided by the Civil Aviation Authority. However, some inconsistencies were identified, as according to the Civil Aviation Authority the number of LTOs increased by 71% from 1990 to 2004 while energy consumption (as recorded in the national energy balance) for the same time period decreased by 15.6%. For this reason adjustments have been made to the energy consumption data of the whole time period.

More specifically, during the in-country review of the initial report of Greece (Report FCCC/IRR/2007/GRC/28Dec2007), the ERT informed Greece of the potential problem of an overestimation in the base year for CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O emissions from civil aviation. After the in-country review, Greece provided additional information on domestic LTOs and number of passengers travelling on domestic flights. The number of passengers, travelling on domestic flights, increased by 40 per cent over the period 1990-2004. The ERT identified that there is a potential overestimation of CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O emissions from civil aviation in the base year and decided to calculate and apply an adjustment.

To determine whether fuel consumption and consequently emissions of CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O were overestimated in 1990 or underestimated in 2004, the ERT estimated fuel consumption for 2004 based on number of LTOs, and the average share (10.20 per cent) of LTO emissions in relation to total emissions from domestic flights (as provided in the Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines). This approach depends mainly on the length of the domestic flight, which depends on the size of the country. As almost all domestic flights from Athens are in the range of 100-500 km, and flights from Greece to the Greek islands are relatively short, the share of LTOs in total flight fuel consumption would be expected to be closer to the upper part of the range or even higher than the range indicated in the Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines. For example, the share of LTOs in total fuel consumption for domestic flights reported by Italy (with larger distances between major domestic hubs) was 25.4 per cent in 1990 and 25.0 per cent in 2004. Applying the upper part of the IPCC range (20 per cent) to reported fuel consumption in 2004 for Greece resulted in 383 kg of fuel per LTO. The ERT considered that this would be the expected amount of fuel consumption for Greece for fleets operating domestic routes. Furthermore the ERT compared Greece's ratio, fuel consumption/domestic flight (0.085 TJ/flight), in 2004 with data from a cluster of comparable countries and concluded that Greece's data were closely aligned with the cluster of countries selected (United Kingdom 0.08 TJ/flight, Italy 0.12 TJ/flight, Norway 0.05 TJ/flight). The ERT agreed that fuel consumption in

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2004 as reported in the NIR is a solid starting point for extrapolation back to 1990. The adjusted estimate for CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O emissions from civil aviation in the base year amounts to 593.691 Gg CO₂ eq., compared to the 1,469.238 Gg CO₂ eq. reported by Greece in the 2006 GHG inventory submission. Since the discrepancies between the number of LTOs and the corresponding fuel consumption still persist, the above adjustment continues to be applied.

GHG emissions from internal aviation increased by 82% since 1990 with an average annual increase rate of approximately 4% (Table 2.7(a,b)).

Total Domestic Air Traffic					
Year	Flights Arr+Dep	Passengers		Freight (tonnes)	
		Arrivals	Depart.	Arrivals	Depart.
1990	121070	4077892	3979100	28700	28707
1991	105306	3318846	3318712	27389	25396
1992	115898	3340391	3341487	27081	27081
1993	127499	3271677	3271813	27342	27342
1994	127565	3395661	3389672	29763	29765
1995	135252	3660572	3653970	30640	30683
1996	145115	4064377	4055412	28616	27540
1997	164879	4621880	4620680	27871	27675
1998	167701	4427465	4389715	21815	21675
1999	200527	5219042	5162982	19567	19685
2000	222962	6024624	6100445	22188	22004
2001	199529	5233269	5344853	20382	26427
2002	171441	4562874	4672378	17015	18801
2003	195948	4968967	5061410	19841	20480
2004	212216	5615088	5620146	15462	21968
2005	200672	5652345	5733562	16017	20144
2006	211854	6004154	6075932	17073	20516
2007	222848	6569217	6642967	17797	19841
2008	214364	6473941	6521907	17008	19720
2009	240126	6802618	6845291	14357	16141
2010	216203	6200867	6266594	13857	15847

Table 2.6 Allocation of LTOs to domestic aviation for the period 1990-2010.

Year	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
	Emissions (in kt CO₂)									
CO ₂	717	621	679	745	771	818	877	997	1014	1212
CH ₄	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
N ₂ O	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.04
TOTAL (in kt CO ₂ eq)	725	628	687	753	780	827	887	1008	1025	1226
<i>Energy Consumption</i> (TJ)										
<i>Kerosene</i>	10.152	8.792	9.623	10.554	10.926	11.583	12.428	14.120	14.362	17.173
<i>Aviation gasoline</i>	118.55	102.66	112.37	123.24	127.58	135.26	145.12	164.88	167.70	200.53

Table 2.7(a) GHG emissions (in kt CO₂ eq) and energy consumption (in TJ) for the period 1990–1999

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Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	Emissions (in kt CO₂)										
CO ₂	1331	1227	1052	1185	1227	1213	1280	1347	1296	1452	1308
CH ₄	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
N ₂ O	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.05
TOTAL (in kt CO ₂ eq)	1345	1240	1064	1198	1241	1226	1294	1362	1310	1468	1322
Energy Consumption (TJ)											
Kerosene	18.846	17.373	14.901	16.781	17.394	17.185	18.143	19.084	18.358	20.572	18.275
Aviation gasoline	220.07	202.87	174.00	195.95	203.11	200.67	211.85	222.85	214.36	240.21	240.46

Table 2.7(b) GHG emissions (in kt CO₂ eq) and energy consumption (in TJ) for the period 2000–2010

2.8. International bunker fuels

GHG emissions from international aviation and marine bunkers are calculated with the same methodologies as described for internal aviation and navigation. The allocation of fuel consumption between domestic and international transportation is based on the data of the national energy balance, as declared by oil trading companies. Finally, the allocation of LTOs between domestic and international aviation is based on data provided by the Hellenic Civil Aviation Authority (Table 2.7(a) & (b)).

After ERT recommendation, revised emission estimates for CH₄ and N₂O emissions from liquid fuels in navigation, which are based on EFs from the Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines are provided in this submission.

GHG emissions from international bunkers (Table 2.8 a & b) increased by about 4% since 1990. The substantial decrease of 20% in 2010 international aviation emissions is associated with financial recession.

Memo items 1) – International bunkers										
Emissions (kt CO ₂ eq)										
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
International aviation	2474	2134	2227	2370	2812	2637	2526	2444	2565	2880
International marine	8755	8055	9274	10751	11307	12173	10700	10713	11758	10575

Table 2.8(a) GHG emissions in the transportation sector per category for the period 1990 – 1999

Memo items 1) – International bunkers											
Emissions (kt CO ₂ eq)											
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
International aviation	2527	2349	2349	3056	3142	2409	2890	2953	3071	2641	2113
International marine	12198	11825	10770	10919	11096	9582	10339	10634	10272	8740	8858

Table 2.8(b) GHG emissions in the transportation sector per category for the period 2000 – 2010

1) Emissions from international transport are not included in national emissions

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Scheduled International Total Air Traffic					
Year	Flights Arr+Dep	Passengers		Freight (tonnes)	
		Arrivals	Depart.	Arrivals	Depart.
1990	55311	2593659	2685631	32722	29148
1991	48322	2006211	2161270	29581	25586
1992	58729	2534813	2609484	33609	27676
1993	62218	2785220	2845421	36971	29788
1994	62946	3013663	3058202	38346	31269
1995	64958	3179508	3214930	39156	31029
1996	63154	3013260	3048968	32480	24814
1997	81558	4079016	3989301	42154	33726
1998	72783	3427697	3405221	35373	29102
1999	81147	3513706	3569003	35433	27350
2000	89210	4045504	4235394	36229	32882
2001	90120	4150600	4320101	34550	25475
2002	91247	4393370	4393393	34005	25300
2003	91232	4449892	4374846	52834	28952
2004	103872	4852866	4857876	56355	30763
2005	98251	5156615	5180225	55969	30963
2006	104132	5508381	5537776	57463	33179
2007	113508	6007499	6093985	55129	34846
2008	110736	6120008	6164710	56750	35536
2009	112747	5904531	5965433	47372	31437
2010	107721	5940503	5985947	43100	30702

Table 2.9. Scheduled international aviation for the period 1990-2010.

Non-scheduled International Total Air Traffic					
Year	Flights Arr+Dep	Passengers		Freight (tonnes)	
		Arrivals	Depart.	Arrivals	Depart.
1990	68295	4408677	4402368	2006	722
1991	69752	4402324	4380442	2500	922
1992	84477	5544759	5490660	2484	338
1993	87180	5743571	5734596	3117	888
1994	98028	6730408	6726518	3825	1310
1995	92155	6184894	6195371	5367	3172
1996	82836	5896436	5750536	5119	3676
1997	86054	5575128	5184830	23252	3871
1998	102930	6669147	6136970	22223	5037
1999	114950	7725796	7614206	27677	5517
2000	115137	7847818	7978099	25320	4720
2001	106543	8216819	8292869	26500	3200
2002	97594	7690181	7765973	26505	3875
2003	108593	7552936	7617175	3105	1301
2004	103763	7121727	7172088	4429	2253
2005	104240	7321137	7402952	1401	880
2006	113433	7747214	7840055	876	968
2007	118843	7953122	8047589	1615	802
2008	115814	7751606	7804747	2413	1590
2009	104833	7038956	7088657	1410	4510
2010	104939	6941977	6967685	655	469

Table 2.10. Non-scheduled international aviation for the period 1990-2010.

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Airport Name	JANUARY - DECEMBER 2011							
	COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC						GENERAL TOTAL FLIGHTS	
	DOMESTIC			TOTAL INTERNATIONAL			2011 ARR+DEP	2010 ARR+DEP
	FLIGHTS ARR+DEP	PASSENGERS ARRI. DEP.		FLIGHTS ARR+DEP	ΕΠΙΒΑΤΕΣ ARR. DEP.			
ARAXOS	36	485	332	766	37583	37097	802	914
AKTIO	871	2453	2438	1857	144058	145207	2728	2758
ALEX/POLIS	3518	116642	119532	24	1173	918	3542	3958
ASTYPALAIA	743	6508	6841	1	0	1	744	740
N.ANCHIALOS	119	906	1014	899	45514	45140	1018	568
ZAKYNTHOS	1219	11886	13305	5703	447885	447625	6922	6782
IRAKLEION	14971	447279	473357	29549	2161577	2164794	44520	42396
THESSALONIKI	20585	712390	775582	22845	1251433	1219070	43430	44938
IKARIA	1546	18291	19243	0	0	0	1546	964
IOANNINA	1605	44016	44255	15	150	176	1620	2190
KAVALA	2244	45742	47529	1374	79651	79385	3618	4506
KALAMATA	936	13905	14094	716	35502	35950	1652	1776
KALYMNOS	920	11376	12873	0	0	0	920	854
KARPATOS	2659	29222	30210	969	60668	60984	3628	3382
KASOS	1038	2249	2617	0	0	0	1038	1034
KASTELORIZO	486	4555	4168	0	0	0	486	452
KASTORIA	592	2294	2955	0	0	0	592	310
KERKYRA	4280	128746	135592	11022	789546	790289	15302	14636
KEFALLINIA	1767	22753	25556	2025	148858	149230	3792	4144
KOZANH	408	1622	1991	0	0	0	408	202
KYTHIRA	643	11953	12953	63	1202	1283	706	692
KOS	4607	107819	113102	12125	851489	853813	16732	14872
LEROS	1470	14096	16804	2	0	6	1472	1428
LIMNOS	3193	39364	40802	181	6248	6538	3374	3794
MILOS	1286	16822	13529	0	0	0	1286	1350
MYKONOS	3600	106295	117830	2318	130974	127710	5918	6142
MYTILINI	5782	169003	175577	974	62008	62792	6756	7992
NAXOS	873	11562	12913	37	711	597	910	800
PAROS	1914	22205	14066	0	0	0	1914	1800
RODOS	11394	332505	343958	23268	1734418	1737505	34662	31558
SAMOS	3495	83834	88838	1853	118274	117774	5348	6314
SANTORINI	4612	173496	203977	3390	202139	205935	8002	7914
SITEIA	1786	19029	20575	0	0	0	1786	1806
SKIATHOS	653	10095	10378	1719	113125	113060	2372	2472
SKYROS	538	2045	2435	2	4	4	540	524
SYROS	568	4183	5674	6	5	10	574	680
CHANIA	5591	217817	231394	8325	656791	668706	13916	13852
CHIOS	3701	99593	110068	259	9885	9954	3960	5510
ATHENS	73124	2499717	2364458	88567	4667223	4794107	161691	181859
TOTAL	189373	5564753	5632815	220854	13758094	13875660	410227	428863

Table 2.11 Allocation of LTOs to domestic and international aviation per airport for the period January to December 2011.

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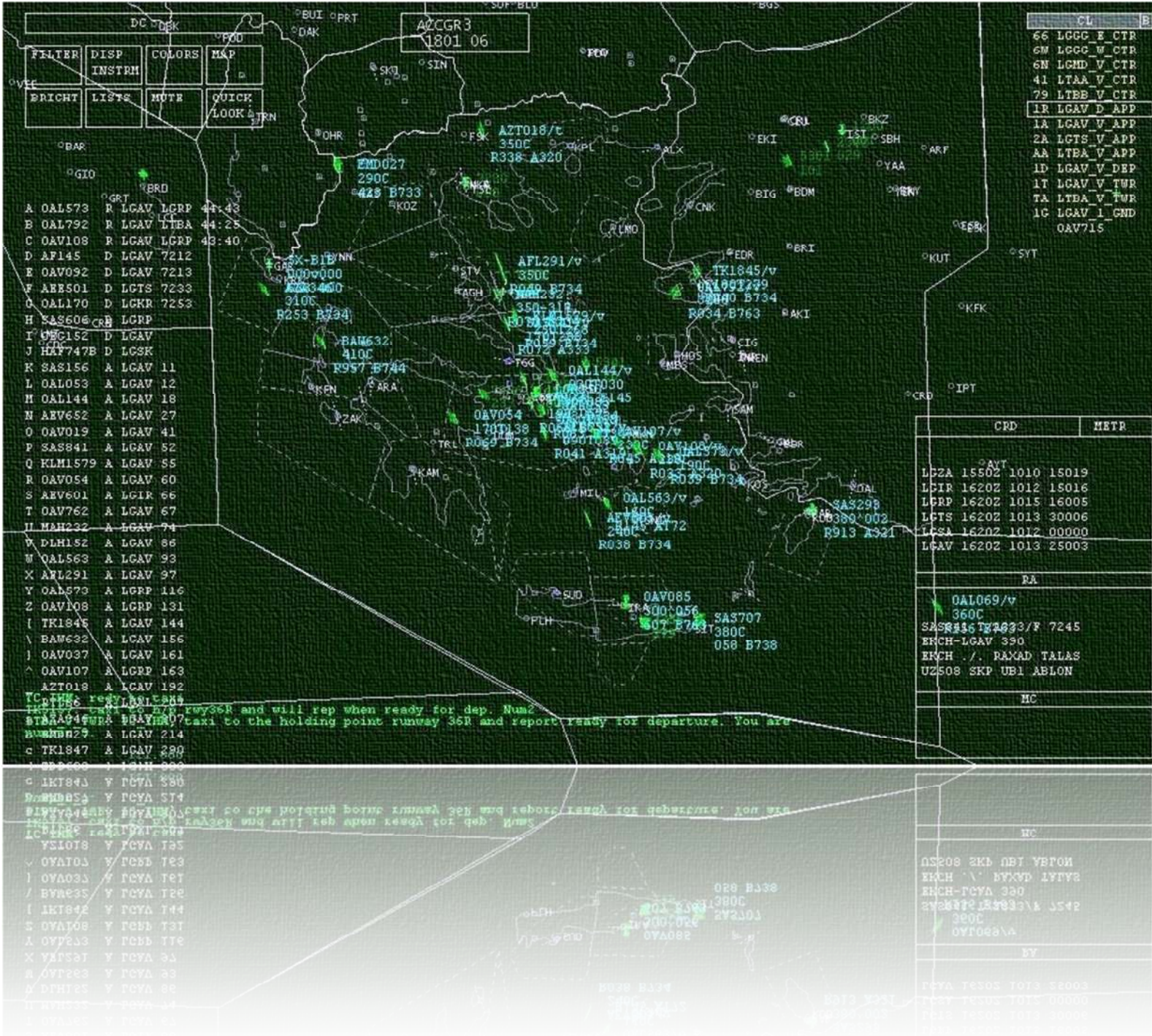
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1	1 Source			EL.145.0043				
2	3D			EL.145.0057	EL.MG.0042			
3	Aegean Airlines	GR-007		EL.145.0008	EL.MG.0004			
4	Aeolian Airlines	GR-043		EL.145.0068	EL.MG.0048			
5	Aerocandia Aviation Services			EL.145.0060				
6	Aeroland	GR-022			EL.MG.0011			
7	Aeroservices			EL.145.0035	EL.MG.0023			
9	Air1				EL.MG.0050			
10	Air Business International				EL.MG.0047			
11	Air Cbs				EL.MG.0003			
12	Air Intersalonika		GR-016		EL.MG.0018			
13	Air Lift		GR-017	EL.145.0031	EL.MG.0008			
14	Amjet Executive	GR-044		EL.145.0063	EL.MG.0044			
15	Apella			EL.145.0032				
16	Astra Airlines	GR-028		EL.145.0053	EL.MG.0027			
17	Athena Airlift				EL.MG.0025			
18	Athens Aeroservices			EL.145.0069				
19	Athens Helicopters			EL.145.0066	EL.MG.0049			
20	Aviator	GR-009		EL.145.0018	EL.MG.0001			
21	Balkan Aircraft Maintenance Center				EL.MG.0045		EL.MF.0001	
22	Blue Bird Airways	GR-034		EL.145.0050	EL.MG.0029			
23	Blue Bird Techniques				EL.MG.0041			
24	Cosmos Aeroservices			EL.145.0067				
25	Dedalus Aviation Services				EL.MG.0037		EL.MF.0003	
26	Didavia							
27	Egnatia Aviation						EL.MF.0002	
28	Epsilon Aviation	GR-010		EL.145.0011	EL.MG.0007			
29	Fas Rhodes Pilots Academy	GR-032		EL.145.0052	EL.MG.0031			
30	First Airways				EL.MG.0033			
31	Flight Simulator Centre Ltd							
32	Flyway Maintenance Services			EL.145.0048				
33	Gain Jet	GR-024		EL.145.0044	EL.MG.0020			
34	Global Air Services SA				EL.MG.0039		EL.MF.0004	
35	Greek Air Aviation Services SA			EL.145.0038	EL.MG.0038			
36	Greek Airman							
37	Hellenic Aerospace Industry			EL.145.0003		EL.147.0002		EL.21G.0001
38	Hellenic Airline Maintenance Engineering Training					EL.147.0008		
39	Head Start Aviation Systems			EL.145.0064	EL.MG.0036			
40	Hellenic Aviation Training Academy					EL.147.0007		
41	Hellenic Imperial Airways	GR-025		EL.145.0046	EL.MG.0022			
42	Hermes Airlines	GR-038			EL.MG.0051			
43	ICSS S.A.			EL.145.0047	EL.MG.0035			
44	I-FLY Aviation Services		GR-046		EL.MG.0053			
45	Interisland Airways				EL.MG.0054		EL.MF.0005	
46	Interjet Airplanes	GR-012		EL.145.0012	EL.MG.0014	EL.147.0003		
47	Interjet Helicopters		GR-018		EL.MG.0015			
48	Jet Stream							
49	K2 Smart Jets	GR-026			EL.MG.0024			
50	Life Line Aviation	GR-027		EL.145.0045	EL.MG.0026			
51	Meelad Air				EL.MG.0046			
52	Minoan Air	GR-030			EL.MG.0052			
53	Olympic Air	GR-030		EL.145.0055	EL.MG.0030			
54	Olympic Airlines				EL.MG.0010			
55	Olympic Engineering			EL.145.0058		EL.147.0006		
56	Premier Aviation Services	GR-033		EL.145.0054	EL.MG.0040			
57	Sky Express	GR-021		EL.145.0041	EL.MG.0002			
58	Sky Wings	GR-023		EL.145.0049	EL.MG.0019			
59	Skyline Avionics			EL.145.0061				
60	Superior Air	GR-040		EL.145.0051	EL.MG.0034			
61	Swift Air Hellas	GR-004		EL.145.0042	EL.MG.0006			
	Total	22	4	34	44	5	5	1

Suspended or Expired

Table 2.12. List of Greek Operators / Organizations

SECTION I

Supra-national measures, including those led by the EU



1. Aircraft Related Technology Development

Aircraft emissions standards

European states fully support the ongoing work in ICAO's Committee on Aviation Environmental Protection (CAEP) to develop an aircraft CO₂ standard. Assembly Resolution A37-19 requests the Council to develop a global CO₂ standard for aircraft aiming for 2013. It is recognized that this is an ambitious timeframe for the development of a completely new ICAO standard. Europe is contributing to this task notably through the European Aviation Safety Agency providing the co-rapporteurship of the CO₂ task group within CAEP's Working Group 3.

In the event that a standard, comprising certification requirement and regulatory level, is adopted in 2013, it is likely to have an applicability date set some years in the future. The contribution that such a standard will make towards the global aspirational goals will of course depend on the regulatory level that is set, but it seems unlikely that an aircraft CO₂ standard could have any significant effect on the fuel efficiency of the global in-service fleet until well after 2020.

Research and development

Clean Sky is an EU **Joint Technology Initiative** (JTI) that aims to develop and mature breakthrough "clean technologies" for air transport. By accelerating their deployment, the JTI will contribute to Europe's strategic environmental and social priorities, and simultaneously promote competitiveness and sustainable economic growth.

Joint Technology Initiatives are specific large scale EU research projects created by the European Commission within the 7th Framework Programme (FP7) in order to allow the achievement of ambitious and complex research goals. Set up as a Public Private Partnership between the European Commission and the European aeronautical industry, Clean Sky will pull together the research and technology resources of the European Union in a coherent, 7-year, €1.6bn programme, and contribute significantly to the 'greening' of aviation.

The Clean Sky goal is to identify, develop and validate the key technologies necessary to achieve major steps towards the Advisory Council for Aeronautics Research in Europe (ACARE) environmental goals for 2020 when compared to 2000 levels:

- Fuel consumption and carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions reduced by 50%
- Nitrous oxides (NO_x) emissions reduced by 80%
- Perceived external noise reduction of 50%
- Improved environmental impact of the lifecycle of aircraft and related products.

Three complementary instruments are used by Clean Sky in meeting these goals:

Technologies.

These are selected, developed and monitored in terms of maturity, or "technology readiness level" (TRL). A detailed list of more than one hundred key technologies has been set. The technologies developed by Clean Sky will cover all major segments of commercial aircraft.

Concept Aircraft.

These are design studies dedicated to integrating technologies into a viable conceptual configuration, and assessing their potential and relevance. They cover a broad range of aircraft: business jets, regional and large commercial aircraft, as well as rotorcraft. They have been grouped and categorised in order to represent the major future aircraft families. Clean Sky's environmental results will be measured and reported upon principally by Concept Aircraft.

Demonstration Programmes.

Some technologies can be assessed during their development phase, but many key technologies need to be validated at an integrated vehicle or system level via dedicated demonstrators. These demonstrators pull together several technologies at a larger "system" or aircraft level. Airframe, Engine and Systems technologies are monitored through in-flight or large scale ground demonstrations. The aim is to validate the feasibility of these technologies in relevant (in-flight or operating) conditions. Their performance can then be predicted in areas such as mechanical or in-flight behaviour. This in turn will help determine the true potential of the technologies and enable a realistic environmental assessment. Demonstrations enable technologies to reach a higher level of maturity (or TRL: technology readiness level), which is the "raison d'être" of Clean Sky.

The environmental objectives of the programme are determined by evaluating the performance of concept aircraft in the global air transport system (when compared to 2000 level technology and to a "business as usual" evolution of technology). The ranges of environmental improvements result from the sum of technologies which are expected to reach TRL5-6 within the programme timeframe. While not all of these technologies will be developed directly through the Clean Sky programme, it is neither feasible nor relevant at this stage to isolate the benefits derived purely from Clean Sky technologies, as Clean Sky will achieve a significant synergy effect in European Aeronautics Research by maturing closely linked technologies to a materially higher TRL through demonstration and integration.

Clean Sky activities are performed within six "**Integrated Technology Demonstrators**" (ITDs) and a "**Technology Evaluator**".

The three vehicle-based ITDs will develop, deliver and integrate technologies into concrete aircraft configurations. The two "transversal"

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ITDs are focused on propulsion and systems, and will deliver technologies, which will be integrated in various aircraft configurations by the vehicle ITDs. A further ITD will focus specifically on the life cycle assessment and 'eco-design' philosophy.

Smart Fixed Wing Aircraft (SFWA) – co-led by Airbus and SAAB - will deliver innovative wing technologies together with new aircraft configurations, covering large aircraft and business jets. Key enabling technologies from the transversal ITDs, for instance Contra Rotating Open Rotor, will be integrated into the demonstration programmes and concept aircraft.

Green Regional Aircraft (GRA) – co-led by Alenia and EADS CASA - will develop new technologies for the reduction of noise and emissions, in particular advanced low-weight & high performance structures, incorporation of all-electric systems, bleed-less engine architecture, low noise/high efficiency aerodynamics, and finally environmentally optimised mission and trajectory management.

Green Rotorcraft (GRC) – co-led by Agusta Westland and Eurocopter - will deliver innovative rotor blade technologies for reduction in rotor noise and power consumption, technologies for lower airframe drag, environmentally friendly flight paths, the integration of diesel engine technology, and advanced electrical systems for elimination of hydraulic fluids and for improved fuel consumption.

Sustainable and Green Engines (SAGE) - co-led by Rolls-Royce and Safran - will design and build five engine demonstrators to integrate technologies for low fuel consumption, whilst reducing noise levels and nitrous oxides. The 'Open Rotor' is the target of two demonstrators. The others address geared turbofan technology, low pressure stages of a three-shaft engine and a new turboshaft engine for helicopters.

Systems for Green Operations (SGO) - co-led by Liebherr and Thales - will focus on all electrical aircraft equipment and system architectures, thermal management, capabilities for environmentally-friendly trajectories and missions, and improved ground operations to give any aircraft the capability to fully exploit the benefits of the "Single European Sky".

Eco-Design - co-led by Dassault and Fraunhofer Gesellschaft - will support the ITDs with environmental impact analysis of the product life-cycle. Eco-Design will focus on environmentally-friendly design and production, withdrawal, and recycling of aircraft, by optimal use of raw materials and energies, thus improving the environmental impact of the entire aircraft life-cycle.

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Complementing these six ITDs, the **Technology Evaluator (TE)** is a dedicated evaluation platform cross-positioned within the Clean Sky project structure. The TE is co-led by DLR and Thales, and includes the major European aeronautical research organisations. It will assess the environmental impact of the technologies developed by the ITDs and integrated into the Concept Aircraft. By doing this, the TE will enable Clean Sky to measure and report the level of success in achieving the environmental objectives, and in contributing towards the ACARE environmental goals. Besides a mission level analysis (aircraft level), the positive impact of the Clean Sky technologies will be shown at a relevant hub airport environment and across the global air transport system.

The first assessment by the Technology Evaluator on the way to meeting Clean Sky's environmental objectives is planned for the end of 2011. The ranges of potential performance improvement (reduction in CO₂, NO_x and Noise) will be narrowed or evolved during the life of the programme based on the results from the key technologies developed and validated through the demonstrations performed.

Clean Sky is a 'living' programme: each year, Annual Implementation Plans are produced and agreed, and research priorities are (re-)calibrated based on results achieved. The best approach to progressing the technologies is pursued. The Clean Sky JU uses regular Calls for Proposals to engage with the wider aeronautical industry, research organisations and universities in order to bring the best talent on board and enable broad collaborative participation. A very significant share of the Clean Sky research programme is already being taken on by Europe's aerospace related SMEs, and by September 2011 nine Calls for Proposals will have been completed, demonstrating the JU's commitment to involving all competent organisations in the European aeronautics research arena. In June 2011, a major and exciting milestone was reached with the 400th partner joining the Clean Sky programme.

2. Alternative Fuels

European Advanced Biofuels Flightpath

In February 2009, the European Commission's Directorate General for Energy and Transport initiated the SWAFEA (Sustainable Ways for Alternative Fuels and Energy for Aviation) study to investigate the feasibility and the impact of the use of alternative fuels in aviation. The goal was to provide the European Commission with information and decision elements to support its future air transport policy, in the framework of the European commitment to promote renewable energy for the mitigation of climate change, security of supply and also to contribute to Europe's competitiveness and economic growth.

The study team involved 20 European and international organisations, representing all players in alternative aviation fuels: aircraft and engine manufacturing, air transport, oil industry, research and consulting organisations covering a large spectrum of expertise in the fields of fuel, combustion, environment as well as agriculture.

The SWAFEA final report was published in July 2011³. It provides a comprehensive analysis on the prospects for alternative fuels in aviation, including an integrated analysis of technical feasibility, environmental sustainability (based on the sustainability criteria of the EU Directive on renewable energy⁴) and economic aspects. It includes a number of recommendations on the steps that should be taken to promote the take-up of sustainable biofuels for aviation in Europe.

In March 2011, the European Commission published a White Paper on transport⁵. In the context of an overall goal of achieving a reduction of at least 60% in greenhouse gas emissions from transport by 2050 with respect to 1990, the White Paper established a goal of low-carbon sustainable fuels in aviation reaching 40% by 2050.

As a first step towards delivering this goal, in June the European Commission, in close coordination with Airbus, leading European airlines (Lufthansa, Air France/KLM, & British Airways) and key European biofuel producers (Choren Industries, Neste Oil, Biomass Technology Group and UOP), launched the European Advanced Biofuels Flightpath. This industry-wide initiative aims to speed up the commercialisation of aviation

³ <http://www.swafea.eu/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=IIIsmYPFNxY%3D&tabid=38>

⁴ Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources and amending and subsequently repealing Directives 2001/77/EC and 2003/30/EC

⁵ Roadmap to a Single European Transport Area – Towards a competitive and resource efficient transport system, COM(2011) 144 final

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biofuels in Europe, with the objective of achieving the commercialisation of sustainably produced paraffinic biofuels in the aviation sector by reaching a 2 million tons consumption by 2020.

This initiative is a shared and voluntary commitment by its members to support and promote the production, storage and distribution of sustainably produced drop-in biofuels for use in aviation. It also targets establishing appropriate financial mechanisms to support the construction of industrial "first of a kind" advanced biofuel production plants. The Biofuels Flight path is explained in a technical paper, which sets out in more detail the challenges and required actions⁶.

More specifically, the initiative focuses on the following:

1. Facilitate the development of standards for drop-in biofuels and their certification for use in commercial aircraft;
2. Work together with the full supply chain to further develop worldwide accepted sustainability certification frameworks
3. Agree on biofuel take-off arrangements over a defined period of time and at a reasonable cost;
4. Promote appropriate public and private actions to ensure the market uptake of paraffinic biofuels by the aviation sector;
5. Establish financing structures to facilitate the realisation of 2G biofuel projects;
6. Accelerate targeted research and innovation for advanced biofuel technologies, and especially algae.

Take concrete actions to inform the European citizen of the benefits of replacing kerosene by certified sustainable biofuels.

The following "Flight Path" provides an overview about the objectives, tasks, and milestones of the initiative.

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http://ec.europa.eu/energy/technology/initiatives/doc/20110622_biofuels_flight_path_technical_paper.pdf

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Time horizons	Action	Aim/Result
Short-term (next 0-3 years)	Announcement of action at International Paris Air Show	To mobilise all stakeholders including Member States.
	High level workshop with financial institutions to address funding mechanisms.	To agree on a "Biofuel in Aviation Fund".
	> 1,000 tons of Fisher-Tropsch biofuel become available.	Verification of Fisher-Tropsch product quality. Significant volumes of synthetic biofuel become available for flight testing.
	Production of aviation class biofuels in the hydrotreated vegetable oil (HVO) plants from sustainable feedstock	Regular testing and eventually few regular flights with HVO biofuels from sustainable feedstock.
	Secure public and private financial and legislative mechanisms for industrial second generation biofuel plants.	To provide the financial means for investing in first of a kind plants and to permit use of aviation biofuel at economically acceptable conditions.
	Biofuel purchase agreement signed between aviation sector and biofuel producers.	To ensure a market for aviation biofuel production and facilitate investment in industrial 2G plants.
	Start construction of the first series of 2G plants.	Plants are operational by 2015-16.
	Identification of refineries & blenders which will take part in the first phase of the action.	Mobilise fuel suppliers and logistics along the supply chain.
Mid-term (4-7 years)	2000 tons of algal oils are becoming available.	First quantities of algal oils are used to produce aviation fuels.
	Supply of 1.0 M tons of hydrotreated sustainable oils and 0.2 tons of synthetic aviation biofuels in the aviation market.	1.2 M tons of biofuels are blended with kerosene.
	Start construction of the second series of 2G plants including algal biofuels and pyrolytic oils from residues.	Operational by 2020.
Long-term (up to 2020)	Supply of an additional 0.8 M tons of aviation biofuels based on synthetic biofuels, pyrolytic oils and algal biofuels.	2.0 M tons of biofuels are blended with kerosene.
	Further supply of biofuels for aviation, biofuels are used in most EU airports.	Commercialisation of aviation biofuels is achieved.

3. Improved Air Traffic Management and Infrastructure Use

The EU's Single European Sky initiative and SESAR

The EU's Single European Sky initiative was originally launched by the European Commission in 1999. Its fundamental aim is to reform the architecture of European air traffic control to meet future capacity and safety needs. Its main principles are to reduce fragmentation in European air traffic management, between states, between civil and military, and between systems; to introduce new technology; and to establish a new regulatory framework built on closer synergy between the EU and Eurocontrol.

The first package of EU Single European Sky legislation was adopted by the Council and European Parliament in 2004. This was followed in 2009 by the Single European Sky II package of measures, which comprises five main pillars: performance, safety, technology, airport capacity and the human factor. The aim is to improve the performance of air navigation services by reducing the cost of flights, while improving the capacity and better preserving the environment, all having regard to the overriding safety objectives.

Reducing fragmentation in European air traffic management is expected to result in significant efficiency and environmental improvements. A core starting point is the reduction of the current surplus length of flights in Europe, estimated on average to be almost 50 km. The defragmentation of European airspace with new possibilities for more direct routing, and efforts to define a true pan European network of routes and to implement flexible use of airspace are expected to result in emission reductions of 2% per year.

SESAR

SESAR (Single European Sky ATM Research) is the technological component of the Single European Sky (SES). It is a €2.1bn Joint Undertaking, funded equally by the EU, Eurocontrol and industry (€700m EU, €700m Eurocontrol, €700m industry). Fifteen companies are members of the SESAR JU: AENA, Airbus, Alenia Aeronautica, the DFS, the DSNA, ENAV, Frequentis, Honeywell, INDRA, NATMIG, NATS (En Route) Limited, NORACON, SEAC, SELEX Sistemi Integrati and Thales. The SESAR SJU includes an additional thirteen associate partners including non-European companies with different profiles and expertise.

SESAR aims to help create a "paradigm shift" by putting performance-based operations at the core of air traffic management's objectives, and will be supported by state-of-the-art and innovative technology capable of

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ensuring the safety, sustainability and fluidity of air transport worldwide over the next 30 years. It is composed of three phases:

- The Definition phase (2004-2008) delivered the ATM master plan defining the content, the development and deployment plans of the next generation of ATM systems. This definition phase was led by Eurocontrol, and co-funded by the European Commission under the Trans European Network-Transport programme and executed by a large consortium of all air transport stakeholders.
- The Development phase (2008-2013) will produce the required new generation of technological systems, components and operational procedures as defined in the SESAR ATM Master Plan and Work Programme.
- The Deployment phase (2014-2020) will see the large scale production and implementation of the new air traffic management infrastructure, composed of fully harmonised and interoperable components guaranteeing high performance air transport activities in Europe.

Implementation of SESAR in general will facilitate the following:

- Moving from airspace to trajectory based operations, so that each aircraft achieves its agreed route and time of arrival and air and ground systems share a common system view.
- Collaborative planning so that all parties involved in flight management from departure gate to arrival gate can strategically and tactically plan their business activities based on the performance the system will deliver.
- An information rich ATM environment where partners share information through system wide information management.
- A globally agreed 4D trajectory definition and exchange format at the core of the ATM system where time is the 4th dimension providing a synchronised "time" reference for all partners.
- Airspace users and aircraft fully integrated as essential constituents and nodes of the ATM system.
- Dynamic airspace management and integrated co-ordination between civil and military authorities optimising the available airspace.
- Network planning focused on the arrival time as opposed to today's departure based system with Airport airside and turn-around fully integrated into ATM.
- New Communication, Navigation & Surveillance (CNS) technologies providing for more accurate airborne navigation and spacing between aircraft to maximise airspace and airport efficiency, improve communication and surveillance.
- Central role for the human widely supported by automation and advanced tools ensuring safe working without undue pressure.

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Within the SESAR programme most of the almost 300 projects include environmental aspects of aviation. They concern aircraft noise management and mitigation, aircraft fuel use and emissions management etc. throughout all of SESAR's 16 work packages. The Joint Undertaking's role is to establish environmental sustainability as an integral aspect of broader ATM development and operating processes.

SESAR aims at reducing the environmental impact per flight by 10% without compromising on safety but with clear capacity and cost efficiency targets in mind. More specifically, in addressing environmental issues, SESAR will:

1. Achieve emission improvements through the optimisation of air traffic management services. The SESAR target for 2020 is to enable 10% fuel savings per flight as a result of ATM improvements alone, leading to a 10% reduction of CO₂ emissions per flight;
2. Improve the management of noise emissions and their impacts through better flight paths, or optimised climb and descent solutions;
3. Improve the role of ATM in enforcing local environmental rules by ensuring that flight operations fully comply with aircraft type restrictions, night movement bans, noise routes, noise quotas, etc.;
4. Improve the role of ATM in developing environmental rules by assessing the ecological impact of ATM constraints, and, following this assessment, adopting the best alternative solutions from a European sustainability perspective.
5. Accompany the development of new procedures and targets with an effective regulatory framework in close cooperation with the European Commission;
6. Implement more effective two-way community relations and communications capabilities at local and regional levels including a commonly agreed environmental strategy and vision.

By 2012 SESAR is expected to deliver fuel burn reductions of approximately 2% (compared with a baseline 2010), to demonstrate environmental benefits on city pairs connecting 8 European airports, and to have airspace users signing up to the SESAR business case (including the environment case) for time-based operations.

Operational improvements: AIRE

The Atlantic Interoperability Initiative to Reduce Emissions (AIRE) is a programme designed to improve energy efficiency and lower engine emissions and aircraft noise in cooperation with the US FAA. The SESAR JU is responsible for its management from a European perspective.

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Under this initiative ATM stakeholders work collaboratively to perform integrated flight trials and demonstrations validating solutions for the reduction of CO₂ emissions for surface, terminal and oceanic operations to substantially accelerate the pace of change.

AIRE has demonstrated in 2009, with 1,152 trials performed, that significant savings can be achieved using existing technology. CO₂ savings per flight ranged from 90kg to 1250kg and the accumulated savings during trials were equivalent to 400 tons of CO₂. Another positive aspect is the human dimension - the AIRE projects boost crew and controller motivation to pioneer new ways of working together focusing on environmental aspects, and enabled cooperative decision-making towards a common goal.

The strategy is to produce constant step-based improvements, to be implemented by each partner in order to contribute to reaching the common objective. In 2010 demand for projects has more than doubled and a high transition rate from R&D to day-to-day operations, estimated at 80%, from AIRE 2009 projects was observed (expected to further increase with time). Everyone sees the "AIRE way of working together" as an absolute win-win to implement change before the implementation of more technology intensive ATM advancements expected for the period 2013 onward. A concrete example of the progress achieved is that, due to AIRE, both FAA and NAV Portugal offer lateral optimisation over the transatlantic routes to any user upon request. In July 2010, the SESAR JU launched a new call for tender and had an excellent response - 18 projects were selected involving 40 airlines, airport, air navigation service providers and industry partners. More than 5,000 trials are expected to take place.

4. Economic / Market-based Measures

The EU Emissions Trading System

The EU Emissions Trading System (EU ETS) is a cornerstone of the European Union's policy to combat climate change and its key tool for reducing industrial greenhouse gas emissions cost-effectively. Being the first and biggest international scheme for the trading of greenhouse gas emission allowances, the EU ETS currently covers some 11,000 power stations and industrial plants in 30 countries.

Launched in 2005, the EU ETS works on the "cap and trade" principle. This means there is a "cap", or limit, on the total amount of certain greenhouse gases that can be emitted by the factories, power plants and other installations in the system. Within this cap, companies receive

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emission allowances which they can sell to or buy from one another as needed. The limit on the total number of allowances available provides certainty that the environmental objective is achieved and ensures that the allowances have a market value.

At the end of each year each company must surrender enough allowances to cover all its emissions, otherwise heavy fines are imposed. If a company reduces its emissions, it can keep the spare allowances to cover its future needs or else sell them to another company that is short of allowances. The flexibility that trading brings ensures that emissions are cut where it costs least to do so. The number of allowances is reduced over time so that total emissions fall.

The EU ETS now operates in 30 countries (the 27 EU Member States plus Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway). It currently covers CO₂ emissions from installations such as power stations, combustion plants, oil refineries and iron and steel works, as well as factories making cement, glass, lime, bricks, ceramics, pulp, paper and board. Between them, the installations currently in the scheme account for almost half of the EU's CO₂ emissions and 40% of its total greenhouse gas emissions.

The EU ETS will be further expanded to the petrochemicals, ammonia and aluminium industries and to additional gases (PFCs and N₂O) in 2013, when the third trading period starts. At the same time a series of important changes to the way the EU ETS works will take effect in order to strengthen the system.

The legislation to include aviation in the EU ETS was adopted in November 2008, and entered into force as Directive 2008/101/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on 2 February 2009. The proposal to include aviation in the EU ETS, made by the European Commission in December 2006, was accompanied by a detailed impact assessment.

Under the EU ETS, the emissions cap is increased to accommodate the inclusion of aviation. This addition to the cap establishes the total quantity of allowances to be allocated to aircraft operators. This quantity is defined as a percentage of historical aviation emissions, which is defined as the mean average of the annual emissions in the calendar years 2004, 2005 and 2006 from aircraft performing an aviation activity falling within the scope of the legislation. In July 2011, it was decided that the historical aviation emissions are set at 221,420,279 tonnes of CO₂.

The additional cap to be added to the EU ETS in 2012, the first year of operation for aviation, will be set at 97% of the historical aviation emissions. For the period from 2013 to 2020 inclusive the additional cap will be set at 95% of the historical aviation emissions.

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Aircraft operators flying to and from airports in 30 European states from 2012 will be required to surrender allowances in respect of their CO₂ emissions on an annual basis. The large majority of allowances will be allocated to individual aircraft operators free of charge, based on their respective aviation output (rather than emissions) in 2010, thus rewarding operators that have already invested in cleaner aircraft. In 2012, 85% of the total quantity of the additional allowances (or "cap") will be allocated free of charge according to this benchmarking methodology, while in the 2013-2020 trading period 82% of the additional allowances will be allocated free of charge in this way. In the 2013-2020 trading period, an additional 3% of the total additional allowances for aviation will be set aside for allocation free of charge via the special reserve, to new entrants and fast-growing airlines. The remaining 15% of allowances will be allocated each year by auction.

Aircraft operators that choose to emit more than their free allocation of allowances will be able to source allowances from other participants in the ETS (including those outside the aviation sector), from intermediaries who trade allowances, from Member States via auctions, or they can use specific quantities of international credits from emissions reduction projects in third countries (e.g. CDM credits and ERUs).

The system also includes a de minimis provision under which commercial aircraft operators with a low level of aviation activity in Europe are excluded from its scope. This is likely to mean that many aircraft operators from developing countries will be unaffected by the scheme and, indeed, over 90 ICAO states have no commercial aircraft operators included in the scope of the EU ETS.

The EU legislation foresees that, where a third country takes measures of its own to reduce the climate change impact of flights departing from its airports, the EU will consider options available in order to provide for optimal interaction between the EU scheme and that country's measures. In such a case, flights arriving from the third country could be excluded from the scope of the EU scheme. The EU therefore encourages other countries to adopt measures of their own and is ready to engage in bilateral discussions with any country that has done so.

The legislation also makes it clear that if there is agreement on global measures, the EU shall consider whether amendments to this Directive as it applies to aircraft operators are necessary.

Anticipated change in fuel consumption and/or CO₂ emissions

The environmental outcome of an emissions trading system is pre-determined through the setting of an emissions cap. In the case of the EU ETS, an addition to the overall cap is established for aviation emissions.

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However, aircraft operators are also able to use allowances allocated to other sectors to cover their emissions. It is therefore possible (indeed highly likely given traffic growth forecasts) that the absolute level of CO₂ emissions from aviation will exceed the number of allowances allocated to aviation. However, any aviation emissions will necessarily be offset by CO₂ emissions reductions elsewhere, either in other sectors within the EU that are subject to the EU ETS, or through emissions reduction projects in third countries. The "net" aviation emissions will however be the same as the number of allowances allocated to aviation under the EU ETS.

In terms of contribution towards the ICAO global goals, the states implementing the EU ETS will together deliver, in "net" terms, a 3% reduction below the 2005 level of aviation CO₂ emissions in 2012, and a 5% reduction below the 2005 level of aviation CO₂ emissions in the period 2013-2020.

Other emissions reduction measures taken, either at supra-national level in Europe or, by any of the 30 individual states implementing the EU ETS, will of course make their own contribution towards the ICAO global goals. Such measures are likely to moderate the anticipated growth in aviation emissions in Europe and therefore reduce the extent to which the absolute level of CO₂ emissions from aviation will exceed the number of allowances allocated to aviation. However, assuming that absolute aviation emissions will nonetheless in future exceed the additional aviation cap, the aggregate contribution towards the global goals is likely to remain that which is determined by the EU ETS cap.

Expected co-benefits

The EU ETS covers both international and domestic aviation and does not distinguish between them. It is not therefore possible to identify how the "net" emissions reductions it delivers are apportioned between international and domestic aviation.

5. Support to Voluntary Actions: ACI Airport Carbon Accreditation

Airport Carbon Accreditation is a certification programme for carbon management at airports, based on carbon mapping and management standard specifically designed for the airport industry. It was launched in 2009 by ACI EUROPE, the trade association for European airports.

This industry-driven initiative was officially endorsed by Eurocontrol and the European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC). It is also officially

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supported by the United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP). The programme is overseen by an independent Advisory Board. ACI EUROPE is looking at expanding the geographical scope of the programme through the other ACI regions. Discussions are currently under way with ACI Asia Pacific for a possible extension of the programme to the Asia Pacific region.

Airport Carbon Accreditation is a four-step programme, from carbon mapping to carbon neutrality. The four steps of certification are: Level 1 "Mapping", Level 2 "Reduction", Level 3 "Optimisation", and Level 3+ "Carbon Neutrality". One of its essential requirements is the verification by external and independent auditors of the data provided by airports. Aggregated data are included in the *Airport Carbon Accreditation Annual Report* thus ensuring transparent and accurate carbon reporting. At level 2 of the programme and above (Reduction, Optimisation and Carbon Neutrality), airport operators are required to demonstrate CO2 reduction associated with the activities they control.

In June 2011, 2 years after the launch of the programme, 43 airports were accredited, representing 43% of European passenger traffic. ACI/Europe's objective for the end of the 3rd year of the programme's operation is to cover airports representing 50% of European passenger traffic. Programme's implementation is twofold: on top of recruiting new participants, individual airports should progress along the 4 levels of the programme.

Anticipated benefits:

The Administrator of the programme has been collecting CO2 data from participating airports over the past two years. This has allowed the absolute CO2 reduction from the participation in the programme to be quantified.

	2009-2010	2010-2011
Total aggregate scope 1 & 2 reduction (tCO2)	51,657	54,565
Total aggregate scope 3 reduction (tCO2)	359,733	675,124

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Variable	Year 1		Year 2	
	Emissions	Number of airports	Emissions	Number of airports
Aggregate carbon footprint for 'year 0' ⁷ for emissions under airports' direct control (all airports)	803,050 tonnes CO2	17	2,275,469 tonnes CO2	43
Carbon footprint per passenger	2.6 kg CO2		3.73 kgCO2	
Aggregate reduction in emissions from sources under airports' direct control (Level 2 and above) ⁸	51,657 tonnes CO2	9	51,819 tonnes CO2	19
Carbon footprint reduction per passenger	0.351 kg CO2		0.11 kg CO2	
Total carbon footprint for 'year 0' for emissions sources which an airport may guide or influence (level 3 and above)	2,397,622 tonnes CO2	6	6,643,266 tonnes CO2 ⁹	13
Aggregate reductions from emissions sources which an airport may guide or influence	359,733 tonnes CO2		675,124 tonnes CO2	
Total emissions offset (Level 3+)	13,129 tonnes CO2	4	85,602 tonnes CO2	8

Its main immediate environmental co-benefit is the improvement of local air quality.

Costs for design, development and implementation of *Airport Carbon Accreditation* have been borne by ACI EUROPE. *Airport Carbon Accreditation* is a non-for-profit initiative, with participation fees set at a level aimed at allowing for the recovery of the aforementioned costs.

⁷ 'Year 0' refers to the 12 month period for which an individual airport's carbon footprint refers to, which according to the Airport Carbon Accreditation requirements must have been within 12 months of the application date.

⁸ This figure includes increases in emissions at airports that have used a relative emissions benchmark in order to demonstrate a reduction.

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The scope of *Airport Carbon Accreditation*, i.e. emissions that an airport operator can control, guide and influence, implies that aircraft emissions in the LTO cycle are also covered. Thus, airlines can benefit from the gains made by more efficient airport operations to see a decrease in their emissions during the LTO cycle. This is coherent with the objectives pursued with the inclusion of aviation in the EU ETS as of 1 January 2012 (Directive 2008/101/EC) and can support the efforts of airlines to reduce these emissions.

SECTION 2

National Actions in Greece

To be added

CONCLUSION

To be added