

What is an ITMO?

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Article 6.2: ITMO definition

» What is an ITMO:

- A unit with an international serial number, with a face value (e.g. 1 ton Co2e, 1 MWh, 1 Ha of forest)
- A quantity denominated in some metric (e.g. Co2e, MWh, Ha)?
- A net quantity – the difference between imports and exports between two Parties

» What are the implications: it will have implications for the definition of a CA:

- If an ITMO is a unit or quantity then CA can be done at every transfer
- If an ITMO is a net can only be done at time of netting, i.e. every year
- Has implications for the level of transparency towards the UNFCCC

» What is the metric: The current text refers to other metrics in the definition, but forces both Parties to have same NDC metric – that would restrict the potential for more than bilateral trades substantially

Be measured in metric tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (CO2e) in accordance with the methodologies and common metrics assessed by the IPCC and adopted by the CMA and/or in other metrics determined by the participating Parties consistent with the (national determined contributions (NDCs) of the participating Parties

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- CO2e measurement bracketed
- The issue of unilateral ITMOs
 - Additionality; does it not imply a B&C approach?
 - Removals: all removals, are sinks included, or are they part of Art 5?
 - Avoidance: what is the definition of avoidance? Or are we better off with a good definition of Reductions?
- Does it include Art 6.4 Units and at what point in time ?