

Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Kyoto Protocol

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| Place of adoption of the Convention | Kyoto – Japan |
| Date of signature | 11 December 1997 |
| Date of entry into force | 16 February 2005 |
| Main objective | <p>Kyoto Protocol improves many existing obligations under the Convention. The Protocol requires industrialized countries to reduce total greenhouse gas emissions by at least 5% compared to 1990 during the first commitment period. The Protocol has no new obligations. (1)</p> <p>The Kyoto Protocol established three mechanisms to assist States mentioned in Annex I to meet their commitments. These are known as the "Kyoto Flexible Mechanisms" -- the emissions trading mechanism, the joint implementation mechanism and the clean development mechanism.</p> <p>The Protocol was subject to two amendments, the first to Annex B in November 2006 and the second to Doha in December 2012.</p> <p>Neither has entered into force.</p> |
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| United Arab Emirates | |
| Date of signature / acceptance / ratification | 29 December 2004 |
| Decree of approval / ratification | Federal Decree No. (75) year 2004 |
| Notes: | |
| (1) The first commitment period of the Protocol began in 2008 and ended in 2012. The second commitment period began in January 2013 and will expire in 2020. | |