

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27TH SESSION:
COUNCIL - PART 2**

Informal Working Group - Environment

Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete.

1. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:

African Group of 47 Member States

2. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.

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3. Kindly provide the proposed amendments to the regulation or standard or guideline in the text box below, using the “track changes” function in Microsoft Word. Please only reproduce the parts of the text that are being amended or deleted.

2. An applicant or Contractor, as the case may be, shall prepare, or commission the preparation of, an Environmental Impact Statement in accordance with this regulation **and in consultation with relevant Stakeholders throughout the process.**

3. The Environmental Impact Statement shall be in the form **and deliver the contents as** prescribed by the Authority in annex IV to these regulations and shall: (a) ~~Be inclusive of~~ **Include** a prior Environmental Risk Assessment, prepared during the environmental impact assessment scoping phase, and revisited and updated as the environmental impact assessment proceeds;

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New 5. The Authority shall make the EIS, including any revisions, available on the Authority's website.

4. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150 word limit]

Regarding para (2). In some jurisdictions, a private applicant cannot itself prepare an EIA given their potential conflict of interest and a contractor will need to adhere to the national law requirements for EIA of its sponsoring state. We therefore propose an amendment to account for differences in national law requirements.

We propose adding a new para 5. It is also important that the EIS and any amendments, remain available on the website, not only for the 60 days as specified in Draft Reg 11.