

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

Informal Working Group on ENVIRONMENT

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

It is suggested to clarify the process and stages of stakeholder participation in EIA.

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

Regarding paragraph 2 , each country’s legislation and practice has its own characteristics with regard to the procedures and stages of stakeholder participation in the EIA. Further study is needed to clarify which stages of EIA require stakeholder consultation, the form of and the period for the consultation, etc. It is not feasible to conduct consultations "throughout the process". It is suggested that issues related to stakeholder consultation should be specified in the standards and guidelines.

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3(c) . ~~Include~~**Identify** comments received through the Stakeholder consultation process and how such comments have been considered;

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It is neither feasible nor consistent with EIA practice to require the EIS to include all comments and state how they will be handled. It is suggested to retain the original word "identify".