

## **Decision I/4**

**Adopted by the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment at its first session**

### **Public participation in strategic decision-making**

*The Meeting of the Parties to the Convention serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment,*

*Recalling* the workshop on public participation in strategic decision-making, held in Sofia on 3 and 4 December 2007,

*Noting* the work programme for the period 2009–2011 adopted by the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention),

1. *Welcomes* the work undertaken by the ad hoc expert group and the task force on public participation under the Aarhus Convention;
  2. *Decides* to explore further synergies and possibilities for cooperation with relevant bodies under the Aarhus Convention;
  3. *Proposes* that a joint workshop on public participation in strategic environmental assessment in accordance with the Protocol and with article 7 of the Aarhus Convention should be included in the workplan.
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