

US EPA ARCHIVE DOCUMENT

Synthesis – Morning

Key Themes

- **Value in multi-stakeholder processes**
 - **Clear purpose for stakeholder involvement**
 - **Composition**
 - **Clearly defined participant roles and responsibilities**
 - **Articulated structure of who (i.e., workgroups, etc.) does what**

Key Themes

- **Current BTS has attributes & strengths (that must be sustained)**
- **BTS & Annex 12: good for Annex 12; bad for BTS**
- **Goals (end-points) must be clearly articulated by the Parties (that is, the U.S. and Canada)**
 - **To which stakeholders can respond and act to address**
 - **Goals drive structuring an approp. forum**

Key Themes

- **Whatever the vehicle (i.e., approach, process, etc), it must factor in overarching goals**
 - **Tangible; viable; and, pertinent**
- **Steps 1, 2, 3, and 4: all are important; must articulate who is responsible and accountable for each**

Key Themes

- **Is it appropriate to assume that the BTS model is transferable to new & emerging chemicals?**
- **BTS evolution**
 - **Why evolve BTS (in conjunction with Annex 12)?**
 - **Why not let BTS finish; and then begin anew with a differently structured multi-stakeholder forum?**
- **Assessment of stakeholders**
- **Respect stakeholder capacities vis-à-vis ability to participate**

Key Themes

- **Whatever paradigm emerges, it must maintain the relational capital, the trust foundation established over last 10 years**