

# How GIZ supports partner countries in the preparation of their INDCs

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## Global Support Project for the Preparation of INDCs

- Duration: June 2014 – December 2015
- Supports 16 Partner countries
- Ad-hoc support for up to 10 additional countries
- Addresses climate negotiators and decision makers commissioned with the design and implementation of climate policies
- Financed by the International Climate Initiative (IKI) of the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB)
- Carried out by GIZ in collaboration with the UNDP Low Emission Capacity Building Programme and Climate Analytics.



# Involved countries and partners

-  Partner countries
-  Further relevant ICI support activities
-  Close collaboration



## Selection:

- Ongoing projects to collaborate with
- Interest and willingness of partner country to collaborate on INDCs

As of October, 2014



## 2-steps approach for INDCs support in the run-up to Paris:



### Needs for support:

- Many countries **know** their technologically possible and financially feasible **mitigation potentials**: Less needs for technical/feasibility studies
- Rather support for (iterative) **process** of agreeing on goals domestically and of their respective implementation



## How GIZ supports partner countries in preparing their INDC...at global level

- Process Guidance (Study upcoming by Ecofys) on how to develop ambitious but feasible INDCs
- Stocktaking of planned and ongoing INDC processes for exchange between individual countries
- Foster (regional) peer-to-peer exchange and knowledge management
- Provision of general Terms of Reference for technical studies and analyses in individual countries
- Global workshop (4/2015) on lessons learnt, challenges and strategies to overcome those
- Webinars, conference calls on specific issues



## How GIZ supports partner countries in preparing their INDC...at national level

- Process facilitation and technical support for inter-ministerial agreement on mitigation goal, stakeholder consultation and for roadmap development
- (Technical) analyses and studies (e.g. on development of BAU, mitigation potentials, etc.)
- Workshops to embed INDC in LEDS, to operationalize INDCs as NAMAs, to establish MRV systems
- Supporting political decision-making processes for the submission of INDCs and the implementation thereof
- Foster (regional) peer-to-peer exchange and knowledge management



## Summer School 2014 on INDCs

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Summer School of the International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV; 3-10<sup>th</sup> September 2014 in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic
- 28 policy makers, international experts and negotiators from 20 developed and developing countries and the EU
- **Objective:** mutual learning and peer-to-peer exchange on domestic INDC processes
- **Results:** In-depth exchange on domestic INDC processes, (incl. technical details, stakeholder needs, challenges faced and ways to overcome them) as well as on ambition & equity in a trustful atmosphere. Participants agreed that ambitious INDCs are needed.
- Report on the main findings upcoming (see <http://mitigationpartnership.net> )



## International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV

- Supports national projects with knowledge management on INDCs
- Maintains a website on INDCs with background information on the international process, relevant documents, and country experiences  
<http://mitigationpartnership.net/intended-nationally-determined-contributions-indcs>
- Exchange of experiences and approaches between Parties in developing their respective contributions
- Collaborates with other partnerships (Partnership for Market Readiness, NAMA-Partnership, LEDS Global Partnership) and think tanks (Ecofys, Öko-Institut, Wuppertal Institute, Climate Analytics, Fraunhofer ISI)
- Contributes to UNDP Technical Dialogue on NDCs



**INDCs**

Intended Nationally Determined  
Contributions



**International Partnership  
on Mitigation and MRV**





## Additional support needs

...may arise from the subsequent international process to consider the level of ambition and fairness of INDCs including:

- Assessment & Review of INDCs
- Stepping-up ambition levels
- Accounting

...and for the implementation of INDCs



## How GIZ supports individual countries

- Hiring one local staff to support a senior advisor who assists developing the INDC
- Supporting a workshop series both logistically and technically
- Commissioning several studies on behalf of the Ministry of Environment to support the national processes
- Facilitate international exchange and peer-to-peer learning
- Ad-hoc support as needed

### Donor coordination!



## What has happened so far...

- Kick-off of the INDC process in July/August 2014
- Identification of the lead institution (UNFCCC Focal Point) for the INDC process and set-up of a stakeholder process (Establishment of a Working Group)
- Development of a roadmap
- Collection of data and information
- No decision on the type of target yet, but discussions on the base year have started amongst high-level policy makers
- Priority Sectors are identified, but not yet agreed -> detailed analysis will be carried out with donor support



## ... and what will be the next steps

- Research and technical analyses by each sector (8-10/2014)
- Elaboration of mitigation targets on the basis of the country's Green Growth Strategy and Identification and prioritization of mitigation actions and potentials by sector (11/2014-01/2015)
- Consultation Workshops, reports (11/2014-2/2015)
- Report to National Steering Committee on Climate Change about INDC study (2/2015)
- Submit INDC report to the Government (3/2015)
- INDC approved by Government (4/2015)
- Submit to UNFCCC: 5/2015.



## Observed challenges

- Short Timeframe for preparation of INDC
- Lack of Financial and technical capabilities (e.g. with regard to development of BAU scenario, identification of promising mitigation actions)
- Development of mitigation targets for the post-2020 period:
  - A number of mitigation targets exist, but with different base years. Except for the National Green Growth Strategy all targets are only until 2020.
- Lack of inter-ministerial coordination
- Uncertainty due to the lack of formal guidance from UNFCCC on the format of INDC submission



# Thank you for your time and attention!

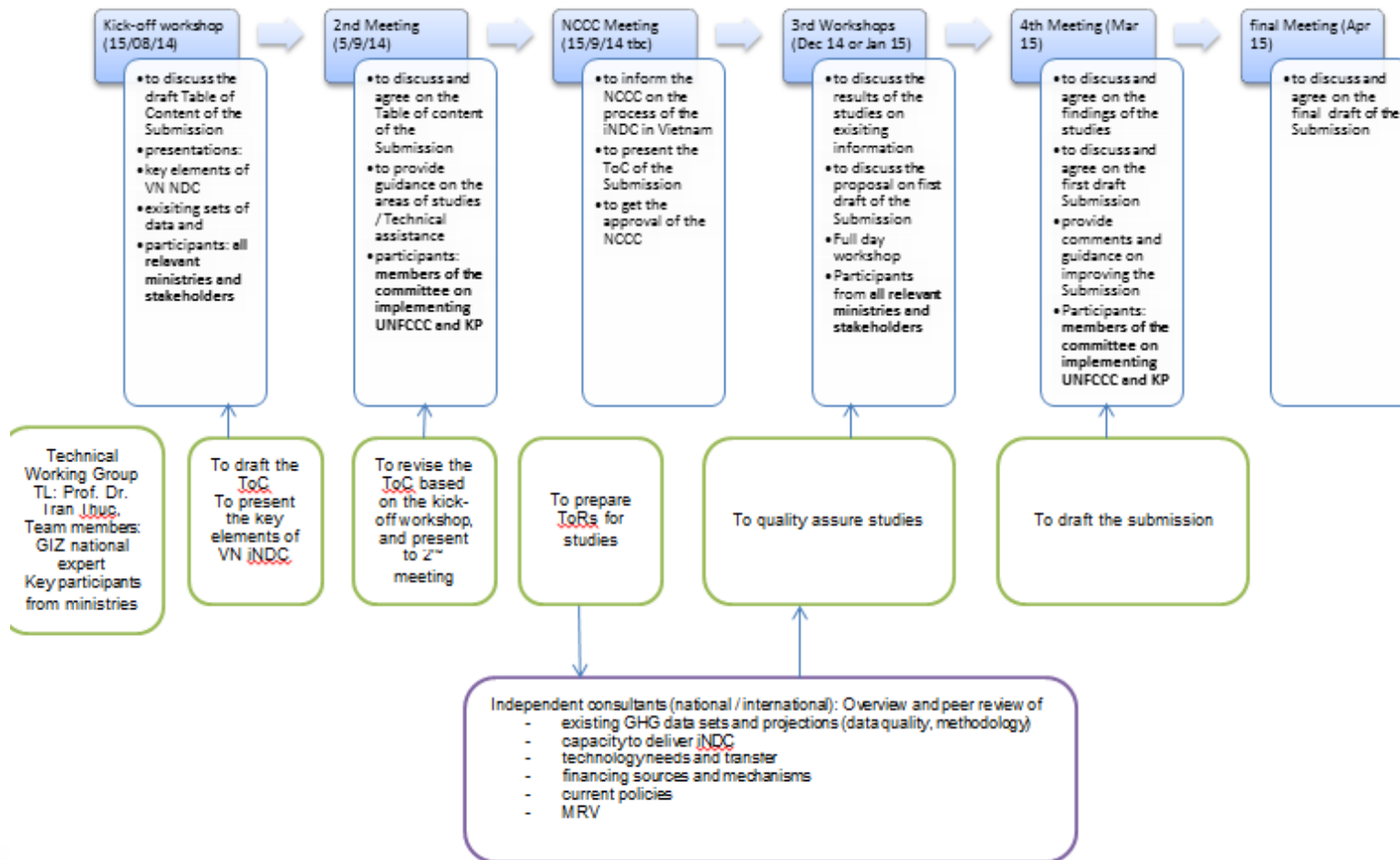
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**Political consensus building process**  
(Platform: the Committee on Implementing the UNFCCC and KP)  
Series of workshops (brainstorming, discussions, exchange ideas and information) and meetings (decision making)





## Building Blocks of mitigation INDCs: LEDS, NAMA, MRV

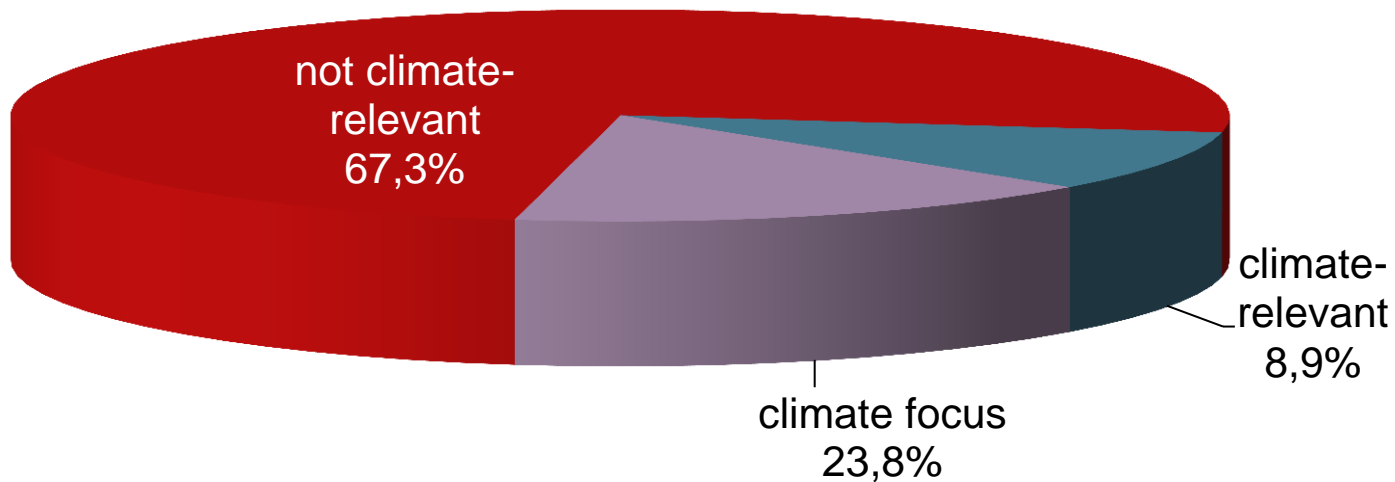
- LEDS are supposed to provide a comprehensive framework for low emission development, ideally including a target
- NAMAs are the meaningful actions to implement emission reductions
- MRV systems can link in with
  - upfront information to facilitate clarity, transparency and understanding of the contribution
  - accounting rules to quantify and attribute emissions reductions to individual countries (and policies and actions)
  - information basis for evaluation of submitted contributions





## GIZ Climate portfolio

	Overall	Climate projects
Number	1,292	441
Contract volume	6.65 billion Euro	2.21 billion Euro

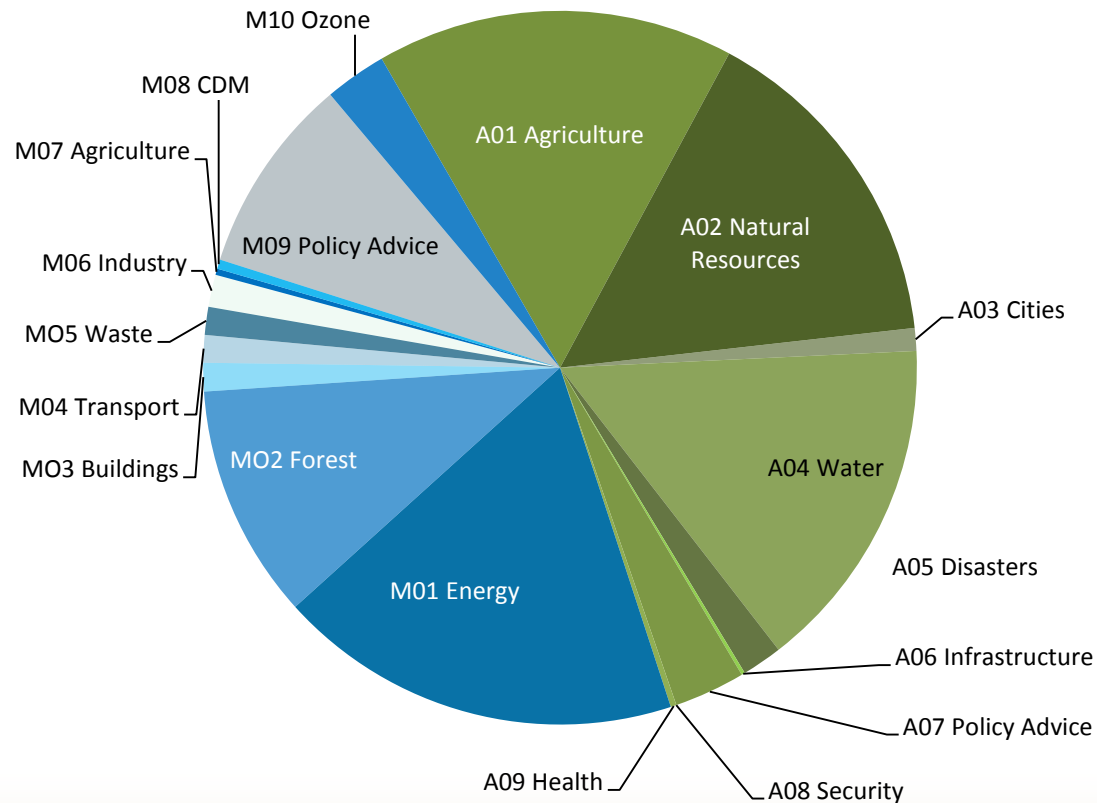


Basis: Order volumes as by 12/2012



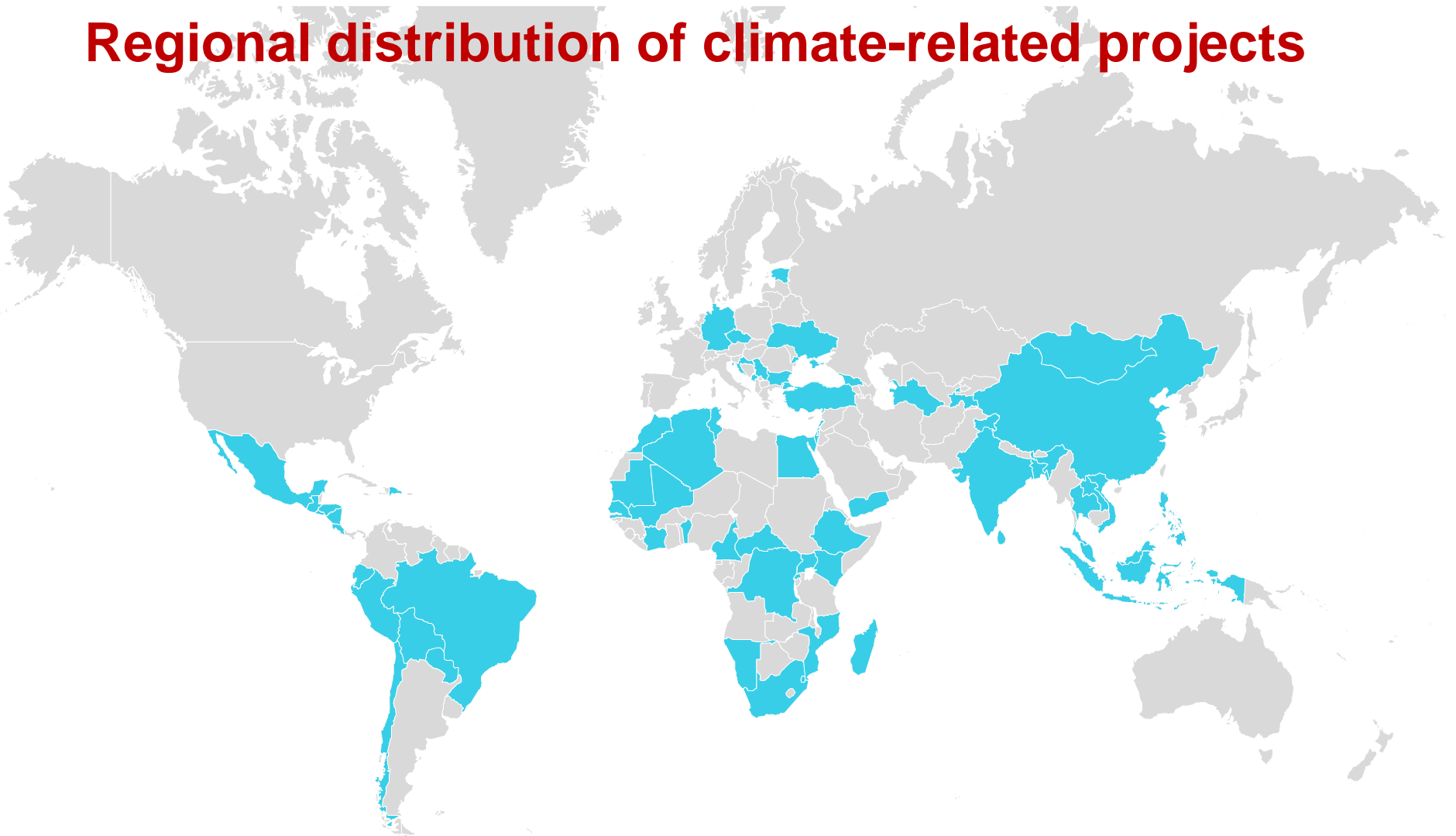
# Thematic focus of GIZ climate projects

All climate relevant GIZ Projects (category 2 & 1)





# Regional distribution of climate-related projects



As of September, 2012