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# CGE 2010-2012 work programme: Overview of the capacity-building activities

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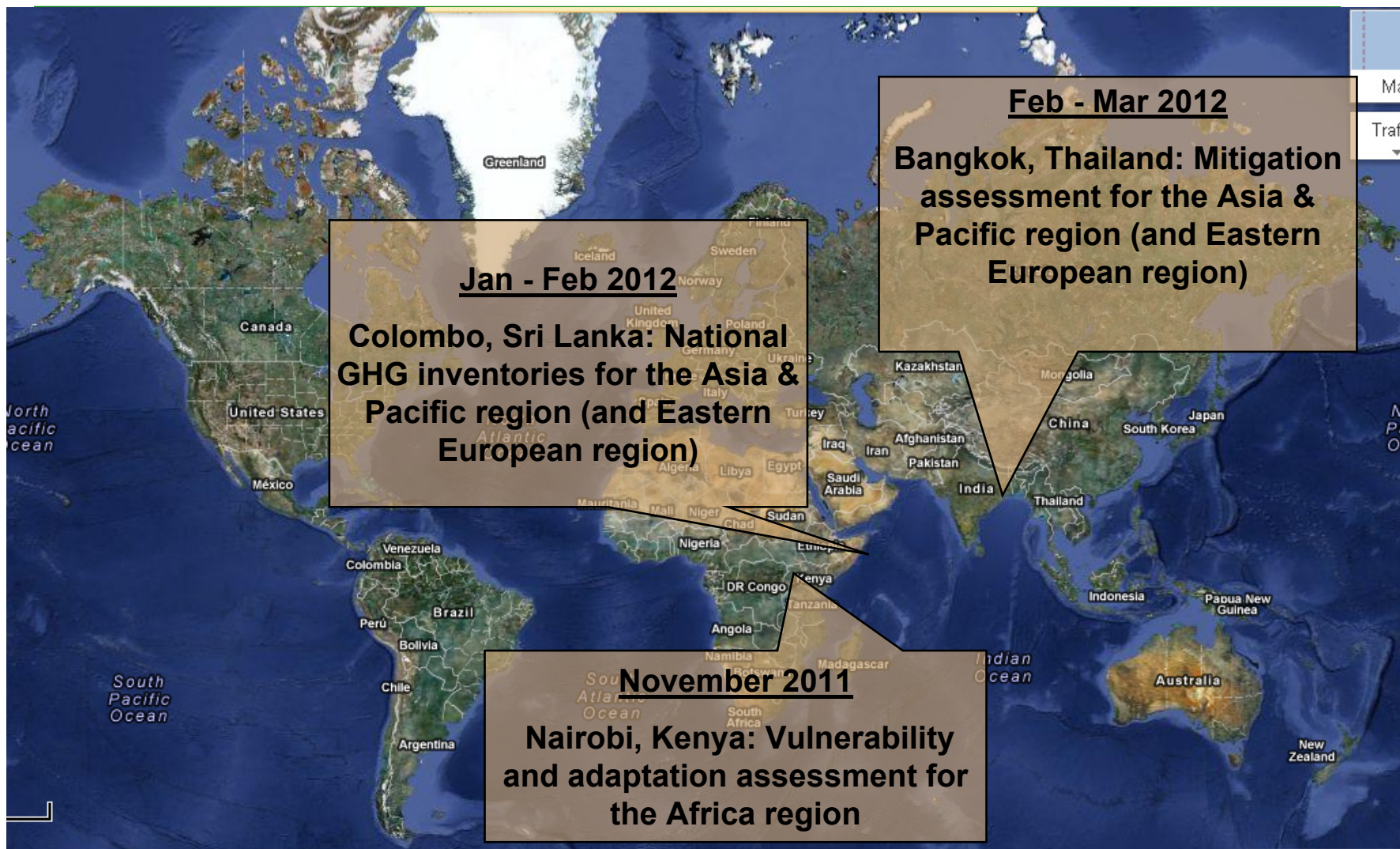
Consultative Group of Experts (CGE) on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention

# Core mandate of the CGE

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- Provide **technical advice and support**, and therefore **enhance the capacity** of non-Annex I Parties to prepare their national communications;
  - There are **6 elements in the ToR of the CGE** (*contained in annex to decision 5/CP.15*) all addressing the capacity building of non-Annex I Parties.
  - In fulfilling its mandate, the CGE implemented the following activities:
    - a) Reviewing and updating of CGE **training materials**;
    - b) Conducting **hands-on training workshops**;
    - c) Collection of information through **surveys**;
    - d) Preparation of **technical papers**.
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# Training workshops conducted between Nov. 2011 – Mar. 2012



## Objectives of the hands-on training workshops

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- To **build the capacity** of national experts from non-Annex I Parties involved in the process of and preparation of national communications;
  - To seek and generate **feedback** on the CGE training materials in order to improve them further;
  - To serve as a platform for the **exchange of views** among Parties, with experts and prospective bilateral and multilateral donors.
- Hands-on training focused on **national GHG inventories, vulnerability and adaptation assessment, and mitigation assessment** in the context of national communications of NAI Parties.
- 110 experts from 98 non-Annex I countries trained;
- Over 400 experts participated via videoconferencing.
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# Key Feedback from the hands-on training workshops

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- a) **Better understanding** of various concepts and principles of national GHG inventories, V&A assessments and mitigation assessment;
  - b) **Hands-on exercises** provided an opportunity to practice the use of various tools and, techniques;
  - c) **Application of tools such as:**
    - Models to generate climate change scenarios, their advantages and disadvantages, and alternative solutions;
    - Access to information generating tools.
  - d) **Fruitful exchange of views** and participatory interaction with various experts, workshop participants and multi-lateral agencies.
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## Concluding remarks

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- Hands-on training workshops are contributing **positively** towards enhancing the capacity of national experts involved in the process of, and preparation of national communications;
  - Effectiveness of the workshops could be enhanced further, the CGE formulated a set of recommendations which are contained in document **FCCC/SBI/2012/2**;
  - Timely **resource availability** enable timely implementation of planned activities.
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Thank you

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