

Information note

Workshop on nationally appropriate mitigation actions submitted by developing country Parties, underlying assumptions, and any support needed for implementation of these actions, as requested by decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 51

Mandate

1. The Conference of Parties (COP) at its sixteenth session took note of nationally appropriate mitigation actions to be implemented by developing country Parties, as communicated by them¹. These actions will be published in an INF document shortly.
2. The COP also invited developing country Parties that wish to voluntarily inform the COP of their intention to implement nationally appropriate mitigation actions to submit information on those actions to the secretariat².
3. The COP further requested the secretariat to organize workshops to facilitate understanding of the diversity of, underlying assumptions for, and any support needed for implementation of, nationally appropriate mitigation actions submitted by developing country Parties, noting different national circumstances and respective capabilities of these Parties³.
4. The COP also decided to set up a registry to record nationally appropriate mitigation actions and invited developing country Parties⁴ to submit information to this registry.

Implementation plan

5. The first “round” of these workshops will be held on 4 April 2011 in Bangkok, Thailand, in conjunction with the sessions of the AWGs scheduled for 5 to 8 April.

General objectives and approach to the workshop

6. The objective of the workshop is to enhance understanding of Parties on the diversity of the nationally appropriate mitigation actions submitted by developing country Parties, and to explain underlying assumptions, as well as finance, technology and capacity-building support needed for their implementation.
7. All Parties are invited to engage and contribute to the interactive exchange at the workshop. Developing country Parties who may be considering making presentations or specific interventions, are encouraged to consider paragraph 51 of the Cancún Agreement when preparing for their participation in the workshop:

51. Requests the secretariat to organize workshops, to understand the diversity of mitigation actions submitted, underlying assumptions, and any support needed for implementation of these actions, noting different national circumstances and respective capabilities of developing country Parties;

Organization of work and expected outcome

¹ Decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 49

² Decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 50

³ Decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 51

⁴ Developed country Parties are also invited to submit to the registry information on support available and provided for nationally appropriate mitigation action.

8. The agenda for the workshop is presented in the annex. Two sessions of 3 hours each will be allocated for the workshop. The organization of the workshop will aim to ensure that the discussion is focused and that it is effective in enhancing the understanding of Parties on NAMAs that developing country Parties intend to implement.

9. The workshop will be built around the presentations by Parties. All Parties are invited to contribute to the interactive exchange at the workshop. Series of four presentations will be followed by a 10 minute question and answer session. Parties who may be considering making presentations at the workshop are invited to make either brief and focused presentations (no more than 5 minutes and, if needed, up to 3 slides) or short interventions (no more than two minutes). Parties intending to make presentations are invited to inform the secretariat in advance so that presentations on related topics may be grouped together.

10. Parties wishing to make presentations are invited to contact the secretariat at <lca workshops@unfccc.int> as soon as possible but not later than 29 March 2011.

11. The expected outcome of the workshop will be an oral report by the facilitator to the relevant sessions of the AWG-LCA and SBI upon their invitation.

Date and venue

12. The fourteenth session of the AWG-LCA will be held from 5 to 8 April 2011 at the United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC) of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), Rajdamnern Nok Avenue, Bangkok 10200, Thailand.

13. The workshop on nationally appropriate mitigation actions submitted by developing country Parties, underlying assumptions, and any support needed for implementation of these actions will be held at UNESCAP on 4 April.

Annex

Workshop on on nationally appropriate mitigation actions submitted by developing country Parties, underlying assumptions, and any support needed for implementation of these actions, as requested by decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 51

Agenda

10:00 - 13:00

- Opening remarks by the Executive Secretary;
- Presentations by Parties, Q&A;

Break

15:00 - 18:00

- Presentations by Parties, Q&A;
- Closing remarks by the Chair
