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**Work of the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications
from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention**

Oral report of the Chair of the CGE

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- Thank you, Chair.
- On behalf of the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (the CGE), I have the pleasure to present to you, this oral report on the progress of the work of the CGE.
- Parties may recall, that at its nineteenth session, the COP decided to continue the CGE for a period of five years from 2014 to 2018. Furthermore, as per its revised terms of reference contained in annex to decision 20/CP.19, the COP decided that the CGE shall develop, at its first meeting in 2014, a work programme for 2014–2018.
- Mr. Chair, the CGE, guided by its revised terms of reference, developed its work programme for the period 2014 - 2018, at its first meeting, held in Bonn on 27 and 28 January 2014.
- Furthermore, in detailing its work programme, among other activities, the CGE agreed to continue focusing on providing technical assistance to non-Annex I Parties for the preparation of their first biennial update reports (BURs), and building capacity of experts nominated to participate in the technical analysis of BURs under the international consultation and analysis (ICA) process. In particular, the CGE, in 2014, focused on the following keys activities:
 1. Revision of the CGE's rules of procedures;

2. Conducting regional training workshops;
 3. Development of materials for the training programme for experts nominated to participate in the technical analysis of BURs under the ICA process;
 4. Development of long-term strategy of the CGE;
 5. Development of e-learning programme.
- The details of work programme of the CGE as well as the progress of implementation of planned activities in 2014, and key outputs are captured in the following documents which are prepared as the progress report of the CGE for consideration by the SBI, at its forty-first session:
 1. **FCCC/SBI/2014/17:** Progress report on the work of the CGE;
 2. **FCCC/SBI/2014/18:** Report on the regional training workshops on the preparation of BURs from non-Annex I Parties;
 3. **FCCC/SBI/2014/19:** Report on the workshop on peer review of the materials for training the team of technical experts;
 4. **FCCC/SBI/2014/INF.15:** The long-term strategy of the CGE;
 5. **FCCC/SBI/2014/INF.16:** A technical report on problems and constraints as well as lessons learned and best practices in the process of and preparation of national communications and BURs by non-Annex I Parties.
 - In closing, Mr Chair, let me express my deepest appreciation to my colleagues in the CGE and the secretariat for their support. The accomplishments of the group would not have been possible without their full dedication, commitment and support.
 - I thank you Mr. Chair.