

# The mandate and activities of the CGE

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# THE CGE

- Conference of Parties, at its fifteenth session, held in Copenhagen **reconstituted the Consultative Group of Experts (CGE)** on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention for a period of **three years from 2010 to 2012** (decision 5/CP.15)

# Core mandate of the CGE

- Provide technical advice and support, and therefore **enhance the capacity** of non-Annex I Parties to prepare their national communications
- The detailed of mandates are provided in the Terms of Reference contained in annex to decision 5/CP.15
- There are 6 elements in the ToR of the CGE and all addresses the capacity building of non-Annex I Parties

# Elements in the ToR

- Provide technical advice/assistance/support to the NAI Parties addressing:
  - Process and preparation of NAI national communications (para 2(a))
  - Establishment and maintenance of the national technical teams, for the preparation of national communications, including GHG inventories, on a continuous basis (para 2(c))
  - Mainstreaming of climate change considerations (para 2(d))
  - Support for preparation of national communications (para 2(e))
- Provide **recommendations**, as appropriate, on elements to be considered in a future revision of the guidelines for the preparation of national communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention, taking into account the difficulties encountered by non-Annex I Parties in the preparation of their most recent national communications (para 2(b))

\* Paras here refer to 5/CP.15

# CGE activities – 2010 - 2012

In fulfilling its mandate, the CGE implemented the following kinds of activities that were geared towards enhancing the capacity of non-Annex I Parties in preparing their national communications:

- Surveys
- Update of CGE training materials
- Training workshops
- Recommendations to the SBI
- Other technical support, if requested

# Concluding remarks

- Ambitious terms of reference: Many areas lots have been done covered and achieved but more remains to be done
- The CGE has provided useful technical input to the SBI addressing issues related to capacities of NAI Parties in preparing their NCs
- The CGE also provided useful technical input to non-Annex I Parties in preparing their NCs; this was acknowledged and highlighted during interaction with Parties at different fora
- The CGE continues to receive requests from NAI Parties for its continued capacity building support
- Continuously liaises with other expert groups and institutions
- The discussions under the AWG-LCA has added some complexity to implementation of the CGE work programme
- NAI Parties still continue facing both technical and financial challenges in preparing their NCs.



# **THANK YOU**