

## **1<sup>st</sup> Mini workshop on the preparation of the first Biennial Assessment and overview of financial flows**

**6 March, Bonn, Germany**

**UNFCCC secretariat  
Marshall Room, Haus Carstanjen  
Martin-Luther-King-Strasse 8  
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### **Draft Programme**

#### **Background**

One of the functions of the Standing Committee on Finance (SCF) is to assist the Conference of the Parties (COP) with respect to measurement, reporting and verification (MRV) of the support provided to developing country Parties through activities such as the preparation of the biennial assessment and overview of climate finance flows (BA) .

The overarching goal of the BA is to assist COP with evidence-based information on climate financial flows. Specifically, the BA will include information on the geographical and thematic balance of financial flows. It will draw on available sources of information, including national communications and biennial reports of both developed and developing country Parties, information provided in the registry, information provided by Parties on assessments of their needs, reports prepared by the operating entities of the financial mechanism, and information available from other entities providing climate change finance.

Several COP 18 and COP19 decisions include elements and sources for consideration in the preparation of the BA. These include:

- Request to take into account relevant work by other bodies and entities on the MRV of support and the tracking of climate finance (Decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 71);
- Request to consider ways of strengthening methodologies for reporting climate finance (Decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 11); and
- Request to consider ongoing technical work on operational definitions of climate finance, including private finance mobilized by public interventions, to assess how adaptation and mitigation needs can most effectively be met by climate finance, and to include the results in its annual report to the Conference of the Parties (Decision 4/CP.19, paragraph 11) ;

The preparation of the BA is a COP-mandated activity and will be delivered by SCF biennially starting in 2014. More information about the BA, including responses to the call of SCF for inputs can be found on the website.<sup>1</sup>

### Objectives

The objective of the mini workshop is to explore and generate insights on the following topics/issues:

- How to compare definitions and methodologies used by different organizations for quantifying different types of financial flows, including insights from existing and emerging methods for measuring mobilized private finance; and
- Consistency existing data sets that capture climate financial flows and investment trends for the period 2009-2013, gaps and limitations;

### Agenda

09:00 – 09:15	<p><b>Introduction by the co-chairs of the mini workshop:</b> mandates, objectives, scope, and expectations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Outi Honkatukia</b>, member, SCF</li> <li>• <b>Seyni Nafo</b>, member, SCF</li> </ul>
09:15 – 09:30	<p><b>Presentation of the work plan:</b> approach, modalities and expected outputs and deliverables</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Alejandro Kilpatrick and Marenglen Gjonaj</b>, UNFCCC secretariat</li> </ul>
09:30 – 12:30 (including coffee break)	<p><b>Session I:</b> This session will focus on comparability of existing definitions of climate finance and methodologies. This session is chaired by Seyni Nafo.</p> <p><u>Session flow</u></p> <p><b>Comparability issues and challenges arising in the context of BA</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dennis Tirpack</b> provides insights and comparability issues arising from the initial literature review on climate finance definitions and methodologies for measuring and reporting different types of flows</li> </ul> <p><b>Stakeholders are invited to share their experiences and provide insights form ongoing work (no prepared presentations)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>OECD</b> presents their experience with application of Rio Markers and emerging insights from the work of Research Collaborative on methodologies for measuring mobilized private finance.</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> [http://unfccc.int/cooperation\\_and\\_support/financial\\_mechanism/standing\\_committee/items/8034.php](http://unfccc.int/cooperation_and_support/financial_mechanism/standing_committee/items/8034.php)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>South Center</b> provides perspectives on climate finance definitions and methods for estimating climate finance</li> <li>• <b>CPI</b> shows from the practical experience how core climate finance definitions could be applied to measure and present financial flows</li> <li>• <b>MDBs (AfDB, EBRD, or IFC)</b> provide perspectives from the joint work.</li> </ul> <p><b>Open discussions</b></p> <p>Participants share their practical experiences.</p>
<b>12:30 – 13:30</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>
<b>13:30-15:00</b>	<p><b>Session II:</b> This session will focus on identifying data sets that capture global climate financial flows, – including flows from developed to developing countries – by sector, theme (mitigation/adaptation), geographic distribution and channels/financial instruments. This session is chaired by Outi Honkatukia.</p> <p><u>Session flow</u></p> <p><b>Data consistency issues arising in the context of the preparation of the overview section of the BA.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Erik Haites</b> presents the findings from the initial literature review and outlines gaps and limitations (video link/skype)</li> </ul> <p><b>Open discussion</b></p> <p>Stakeholders are invited to share information and ideas on how to address data gaps and consistency.</p>
<b>15:00-15:45</b>	<p><b>Session III:</b> This session will provide the opportunity for note-swapping and to exchange thoughts and ideas on collaborative opportunities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Moderated by Yolando Velasco</b>, UNFCCC secretariat</li> </ul>
<b>15:45-16:00</b>	<p><b>Closure</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Outi Honkatukia</b>, member, SCF</li> <li>• <b>Seyni Nafo</b>, member, SCF</li> </ul>

### Format

The sessions are informal and interactive. The objective is to engage participants in a lively roundtable style conversation on the topic at hand. No presentation is required from participants. However, participants are encouraged to come with elaborated thoughts and prepared to contribute with information during or after the mini-workshop. There will be no formal outputs. Insights generated from the mini workshop will be analyzed by the project team.

### Participation

The mini workshop will involve participants attending the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the SCF and other climate finance stakeholders.

**Background documents**

- Draft annotated outline
- Presentation on the initial insights from the literature review on climate finance definitions and methodologies for measuring, reporting and verifying climate finance.
- Presentation on the results of the initial review on the overview of climate financial flows

**Venue**

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