

In-session Workshop on Methodologies for Reporting Financial Information by Parties included in Annex I

6 June 2015 10:00–13:00

World Conference Center Bonn Room: Bangkok

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

The Conference of the Parties (COP), at its twentieth session, by decision 11/CP.20, requested the secretariat, under the auspices of the Standing Committee on Finance (SCF), the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), to organize a joint in-session technical workshop in conjunction with the forty-second session of the subsidiary bodies. The aim of this workshop is to inform the work of SBSTA, as referred to in decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 19. Specific objectives include:

- Identify gaps in the methodologies for the reporting of financial information; and
- Identify **options for improvements** in the current methodologies for the reporting of financial information, including concrete actions in the near and longer terms.

The workshop will draw from three sets of submissions. These include: (i) the views of Parties and observers on the methodologies for the reporting of financial information referred to in decision 2/CP.17 paragraph 19;¹ (ii) the information submitted by Parties on appropriate methodologies and systems used to measure and track climate finance, referred to in decision 5/CP.18, paragraph 10;² and (iii) the views from Annex I Parties on their experience with reporting the first Biennial Reports.³

The workshop will also be informed by a technical paper prepared by the secretariat that summarizes the existing international methodologies, the views of Parties contained in the submissions referred to above, and relevant elements from the 2014 Biennial Assessment and Overview of Climate Finance Flows (BA) of the SCF.⁴

The workshop will be held in a setting that is more conducive to interactive discussions on the technical topics at hand. In order to inform and stimulate discussions, the workshop will kick off with two scene-setting presentations and a panel discussion, followed by a moderated interactive segment in a lively conversation style and a report back session. The co-facilitators will wrap up and close the workshop.

¹ FCCC/SBSTA/2015/MISC.3 and Add.1.

² Available at

http://www4.unfccc.int/submissions/SitePages/sessions.aspx?showOnlyCurrentCalls=1&populateData=1&expectedsubmission arfrom=Parties&focalBodies=COP.

³ Available at

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⁴ FCCC/TP/2015/2.

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10:00 - 10:15	 Opening and introduction by co-facilitators Mr. Seyni Nafo, Mali Roger Dungan, New Zealand
	 Remarks by Ms. Lidia Wojtal, Chair of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice Mr. Amena Yauvoli, Chair of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation
10:15 – 11:15	 Panel discussion: Insights from the existing international methodologies for reporting financial information: Gaps and areas of improvements This session will discuss how the transparency of support provided to developing country Parties can be enhanced by strengthening the reporting to the Convention. It will focus on existing methodologies and guidelines for reporting under the Convention and methodologies for tracking and reporting by data providers/producers and aggregators. Specifically, it will identify gaps and possible improvements in the reporting methodologies and guidelines under the Convention based on country experiences. Presentation by the UNFCCC secretariat
	 Discussants Developed country expert Developing country expert Multilateral Development Bank expert Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development representative Think tank representative

11:05 – 12:15 *Group discussions*

Session format: The panel discussion will be followed by interactive discussion and exchange of perspectives in three smaller groups. Each group will be supported by a dedicated discussion lead. Each of the discussion leads will use one guiding questions only, while group participants will have the opportunity to move from one group to the other after approx. every 20 minutes.

The following are guiding questions for use during the interactive group discussions:

- What are the gaps in the methodologies for the reporting of financial information?
- How can we improve the current methodologies for the reporting of financial information? What are some concrete actions in the near and longer terms?
- How could the common tabular format be adjusted so as to integrate recommendations and improvement proposals from the methodology discussions?
- How can we enhance transparency, comparability and consistency of the underlying information and data on support provided among developed country Parties, including drawing lessons from the 2014 Biennial Assessment and Overview of Climate Finance Flows?

Discussion leaders

12:15 - 12:45	Plenary reporting
12:45 - 13:00	Wrap-up by co-facilitators & closure
	The co-facilitators will summarise the views on gaps and options for improvements expressed by Parties and data providers and aggregators.