
Good Practice Guidance for the Preparation of Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions

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Scope of the NAMA good practice guidance

Objective: Aims to support developing countries through the NAMA development and implementation process by providing guidance and good practices

- ✓ Avoids a strict step-wise approach to describing the NAMA elaboration process (national circumstances vary)
- ✓ Uses a non-prescriptive modular approach, where key technical considerations for developing NAMAs are presented
- ✓ Based on experience and lessons learned from existing NAMA proposals and other relevant initiatives in developing countries
- ✓ Living document to account for emerging issues and learning

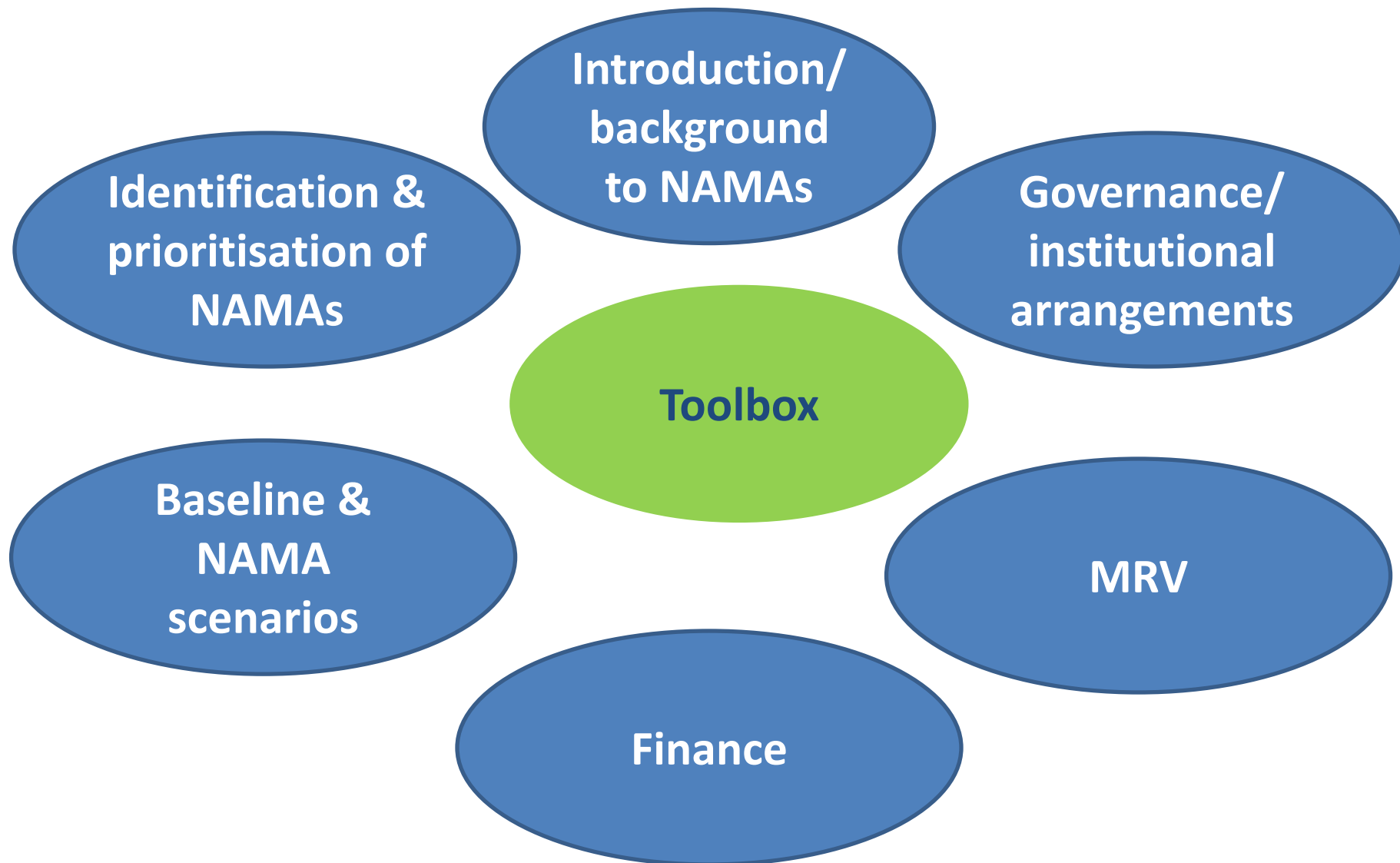
Background to the NAMA good practice guidance

- Guidebook initially commissioned by UNDP to provide guidance to 25 countries under the Low Emission Capacity Building (LECB) Programme (tender awarded to Perspectives GmbH)
- Outline/content/format discussed with LECB countries during annual global meeting (Marrakech, Oct 2012)
- Revised outline presented to a collaborative partnership of ICI-funded think-tanks working on NAMAs (Doha, Dec 2012)
- Agreed to become a joint initiative between UNDP, UNFCCC, and UNEP-Risoe in January 2013

Development timeline (2013)

- **January:** Annotated outline validated
 - **March:** First draft circulated for internal comments
 - **May:** Second draft circulated broadly for comments
 - **June:**
 - Workshop for further comments (Bonn) with 20 countries & six institutions (+ UNDP, UNFCCC, UNEP-Risoe, Perspectives)
 - Compilation of workshop & written comments
 - Approach to revise the guidance document agreed
 - **Mid-August:** Revised draft
 - **September:** Final review & revision
 - **October:** Design, publication
 - **November:** translation into French and Spanish
- *Goal is to further enrich the document over time with developing country best practices & lessons learned*

Key themes/chapters



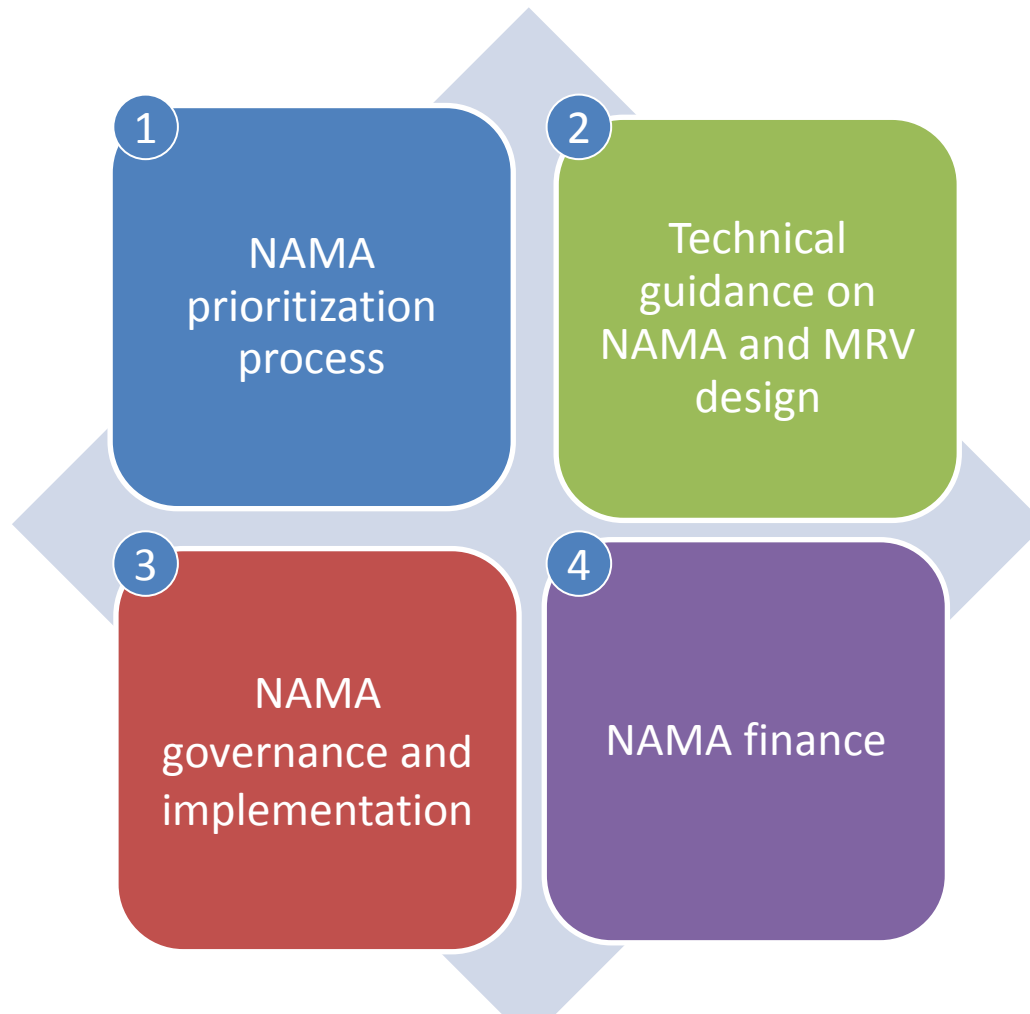
Key guidance areas (1)

- Describes approaches for NAMAs, **including linkages with development priorities** and relevant planning processes, such as LEDS
- Identifies **decision-support tools** for robust analyses and presents criteria that can be applied to prioritize a country's NAMA long list.
- Explains **measuring, reporting and verification (MRV)** procedures, including societal benefits
- Elaborates on **quantitative aspects** of NAMAs, including baseline setting
- Describes **good practices** for implementation framework, institutional structures and addressing barriers, among others

Key guidance areas (2)

- Discusses **financing aspects** of NAMAs (budgeting, financial structuring)
- Provides an overview of the **required information** for NAMAs based upon the templates currently available
- Includes a **toolbox** on information sources and tools, linkages to relevant initiatives, and relevant guidance materials

Feedback from developing countries & partners



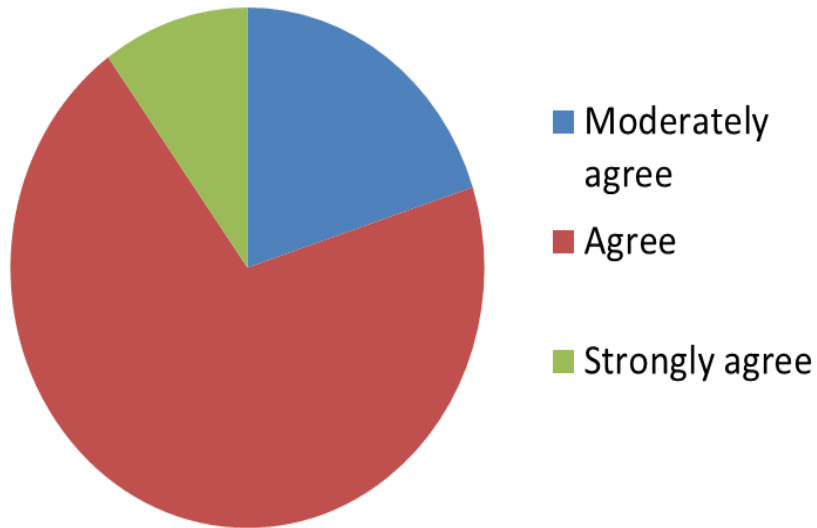
Key messages from overarching feedback

- ✓ Strengthen message about the need to align NAMAs with national development planning
- ✓ Strengthen the notion that NAMAs are voluntary mitigation actions by governments
- ✓ Emphasise that NAMAs are policies/ actions/ projects that improve the investment climate for low-carbon technologies
- ✓ Using NAMA as an instrument to overcome barriers to mitigation actions/investments does not come out clearly

Key comments on “NAMA prioritization process”

Overall feedback

The document provides an overall understanding of the decision-support tools that can be applied to prioritize a country’s NAMA long list



Recommendations

- Strengthen the guidance on NAMA prioritization process
- Highlight and better describe the key co-benefits of NAMAs
 - SD benefits
- Show case country practices
- More clarity on how NAMAs help to overcome policy barriers
- Emphasize that transformational impact may be a key criterion for NAMA funders
- Consider excluding MRV as a criteria for NAMA prioritization

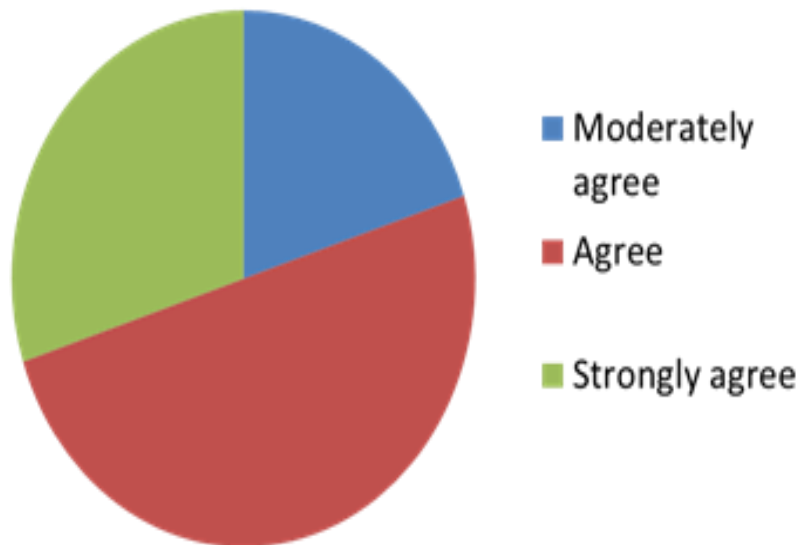
Key comments on “NAMA governance and implementation”

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Overall feedback

The document clearly explains what is involved in the design of sound institutional structure for NAMA implementation



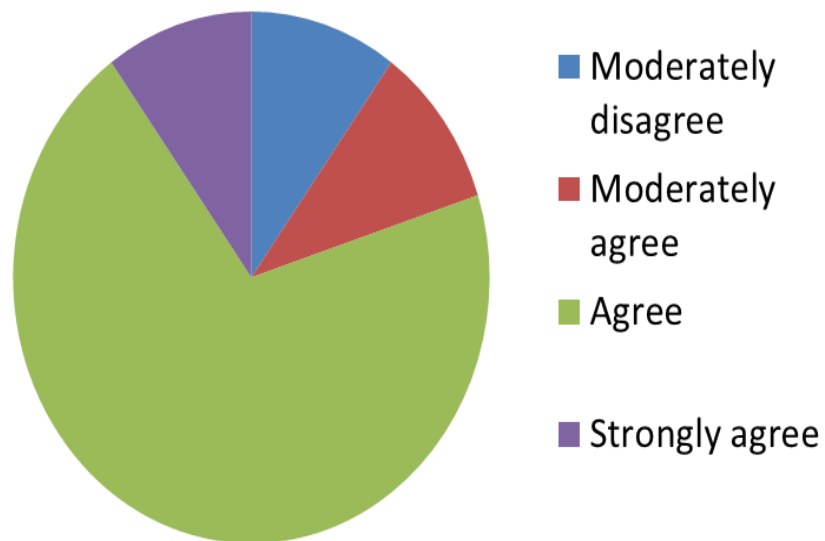
Recommendations

- Clearly distinguish between barriers and risks at different stages of the NAMA process
- Better describe how a domestic NAMA registry might interact with other key CC functions & systems

Key comments on “Technical guidance on NAMA and MRV design”

Overall feedback

The document provides a good understanding of the key aspects to consider for the design of MRV systems



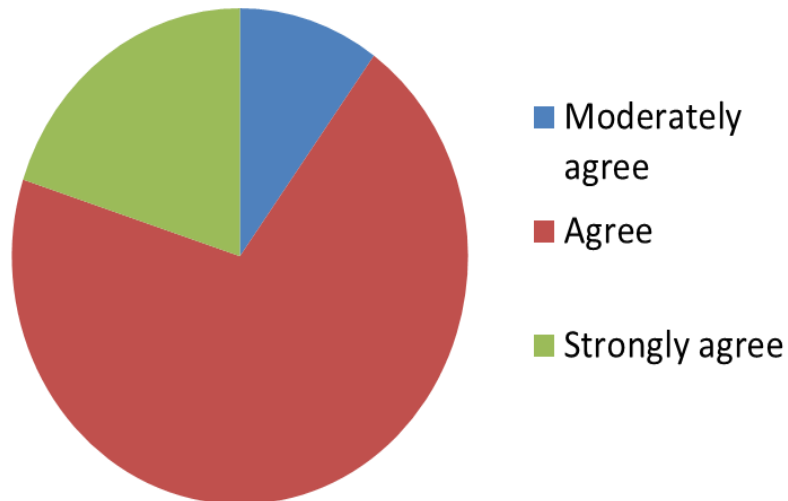
Recommendations

- More guidance on what to consider in ‘baseline’ vs. a ‘NAMA’ or ‘mitigation scenario’
- Conflicting feedback on emphasis on MRV, however:
 - Emphasise that MRV systems need to be based on local capacities and manageable transaction costs – maybe include tiered approach that reflects in-country capacities
 - Better illustrate MRV for different NAMA types (too many project NAMA examples)

Key comments on “NAMA finance”

Overall feedback

The document helps to understand the structuring of NAMA financing, including budgeting and financial structuring through multiple sources of phased financing



Recommendations

- Reorganise and strengthen guidance on finance
- Include more focus on possible financing streams for NAMAs
- Remove any implicit reference to credited NAMAs
- Advise on how to catalyze public finance to attract private sector

THANK YOU!

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