

## **AOSIS input to technical spin-off group 3.2.2 (International Consultation and Analysis)**

### **Timeline**

- The ICA process could aim to begin in 2013 with a limited number of countries, possibly through a pilot version of the process for volunteer countries. ICA can be phased in to cover a broader grouping of countries over time. Given the number of Parties involved, consideration might be given to prioritizing ICA, and the frequency of ICA, over time for countries responsible for a relatively large share of emissions.
- An entire ICA cycle of countries should aim to be completed over a fixed timeframe.
- Flexibility should be afforded to LDCs and SIDS in the frequency and application of the ICA process. However, where these countries wish to participate, to highlight their mitigation efforts or progress or to highlight their adaptation efforts and needs, this should be encouraged and funded.

### **Content**

- ICA must aim to support developing countries in building their reporting capacities. This should include expert reviews which can provide guidance and support to help improve developing countries national reporting systems.
- The general guidelines for domestic verification of mitigation actions, to be developed internationally, will need to run in parallel with ICA, to ensure clarity in understanding developing countries' efforts to meet their pledges.
- These general guidelines should address:
  - guidance on Parties' national arrangements for measuring emissions in the sectors targeted by mitigation actions or for economy-wide reductions;
  - guidance on accepted methodologies and assumptions selected to establish baselines and estimate emission reductions projected;
  - a methodology for quantification of achieved emissions reductions from actions;
  - guidance on systems to verify emission reductions or removals from identified actions.
- These guidelines should support developing countries in their domestic activities and minimize resources needed to develop the appropriate national systems.

### **Process**

- The Secretariat could prepare a background paper on the experience of other multilateral processes in conducting facilitative reviews that may share similar goals to ICA goals, including review processes are now conducted for Annex I inventories under the Convention and Kyoto Protocol.

## Indicative Timeline

<b>Date</b>	<b>Elements</b>	<b>Outputs</b>
June session	Timeline of activities	Schedule of events towards Durban
June session	Scope of work programme	Co-facilitators' list of elements of work to be elaborated.
Sept/Oct session/workshops	Provision of support	Secretariat to provide technical input and design guidance for CRF tables.
Sept/Oct session/workshops	Guidelines for biennial update reports	Prepare draft guidelines for biennial update reports
Sept/Oct session/workshops	Guidelines for enhanced NAI national communications	Prepare revised guidelines for NAI national communications
Sept/Oct session/workshops	Guidelines and modalities for ICA	Workshop on ICA Progress on ICA options and schedule Secretariat to prepare technical paper on ICA in other multilateral fora
COP17	Provisions for support	Adopt CRF tables for support COP17 Adopt guidance to GEF for expediting funding for preparation of biennial reports
COP17	Guidelines for Biennial update reports	Adopt NAI biennial reporting guidelines COP17
COP17	Guidelines for enhanced nonAI national communications	Adopt revised NAI National Communication guidelines COP17
COP18	ICA	Adopt ICA Guidelines