

AOSIS input to technical spin-off group on biennial reports for developing country Parties.

- Associate with Brazil for G77/China.
- Crucial for AOSIS that Durban deliver internationally agreed guidance to non-Annex I Parties' for the preparation of biennial update reports, beginning no later than 2013. See as an important input to the 2013-2015 review and to help build a global picture of our efforts to fight climate change.
- Pleased to see degree of convergence.

Content

- Agree with India and Sth Africa biennial updates as a subset of the Nat comms, focused on elements set out in Para 60(C).
- Agree with Egypt that there are four main areas where information needs to be enhanced:
 - GHG inventory: thought should be given to coverage of gases, improving the understanding of emissions over time, sectoral information and inventory related institutional arrangements.
 - Mitigation actions: information on planned or implemented mitigation actions.
 - Needs: identify areas where support would enhance the mitigation outcome. On this, some linkage with the Registry, don't want to duplicate, but additional element here is for reporting.
 - Support received: Common Reporting Format tables should be developed to report on the support provided by developed countries to reporting countries, to identify what is new and additional, to distinguish between mitigation and adaptation support, and to prevent double counting.
- We recognise that for many non-Annex I Parties, particularly LDCs and SIDS, there will be major challenges related to capacity, and that financial and technical support will be required. As such, flexibilities might be provided through the use of a tiered approach, including that related to the content and level of detail required in connection with enhanced national communications, including biennial reports.
- Having said that, we must avoid approaches which fully condition reporting on financial support. We don't believe this to be the spirit of 1/CP.16.
- Nevertheless, early flows of funding support and technical assistance is essential to enable preparation of biennial update reports – guidance to GEF to ensure financial resources are made available and to simplify and expedite its procedures for the allocation of funding for biennial reports. Such flows should not compromise flows available for adaptation.

Process

- Indicative timeline for activities between now and Durban including:
 - Schedule of workshops and meetings in session to develop and finalise guidelines for adoption at COP17.
- Work in prompt report from GEF and a TP. Highlight what will be req'd going forward.
- Workshop and in-session meetings to develop detailed textual proposals on the guidance for biennial reports.
- Use list of elements/non-paper prepared by Facilitators based on discussions in Bonn as an initial guide for work going forward.

Indicative Timeline

Date	Elements	Outputs
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	Provision for support	Adopt CRF tables for support at COP17 Adopt guidance to GEF for expediting funding for preparation of biennial reports
COP17	Guidelines for Biennial update reports	Adopt NAI biennial reporting guidelines at COP17
COP17	Guidelines for enhanced non-A1 nat comms	Adopt revised NAI National Communication guidelines at COP17
COP18	ICA	Adopt ICA Guidelines