

Second technical workshop on the revision of the Guidelines for the review of Biennial Reports and National Communications, including National Inventory reviews for developed country Parties

Introduction

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Outline

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Background

Decision 1/CP.16 (2010):

- ❖ Build on **existing reporting and review guidelines**, processes and experiences, establishes a work programme:
 - ❖ The **revision of guidelines for the review of NC**, including the BR, **annual greenhouse gas inventories and national inventory systems**;

2/CP.17 (2011)

- ❖ Launches **work programme** on the **revision of the review guidelines** under the SBSTA, with a view to concluding them no later than COP 19;
- ❖ Secretariat to enhance **coordination** between different review processes to **ensure effective and efficient processes and procedures**.



Key highlights from work programme

SBSTA 36 (2012): Initial consideration of the work programme

- ❖ Parties to take into account **experience in reporting and review of information under the Convention** and need to have a **cost-effective, efficient and practical review process** that does **not impose excessive burden on Parties/secretariat**

SBSTA 37 (2012): Agreed on work programme

- ❖ NCs and BRs review guidelines will be **completed by COP 19**;
- ❖ GHG inventories review guidelines **can be completed by COP 20**;
- ❖ Lead reviewers to discuss in 2013 **options to improve the cost-effectiveness, efficiency and practicality** of the review process as input for SBSTA 38;
- ❖ **Technical workshops in 2013 and 2014 to advance the work**, and to prepare workshop reports as inputs to discussions at SBSTA;
- ❖ Work programme **could be adjusted and could be additional workshops** before COP 20.



Key highlights from work programme

SBSTA 38 (2013):

- ❖ **Focused mostly on NCs and BRs:** invited Parties submission of views on contents of review guidelines and addressed focus of 1st workshop to be held in Oct. 2013.
- ❖ **Noted that appropriate streamlining** could improve efficiency and cost-effectiveness of review process without compromising quality;
- ❖ The **same information submitted in NCs, BRs and GHG inventories would be reviewed only once**;
- ❖ Highlighted **importance of training** for the review of BRs and NCs, requested the secretariat to begin development of training materials for these reviews.



Key highlights from work programme: Warsaw

Decision 23/CP.19: Draft review guidelines for BRs, NCs

- ❖ Covered general aspects of all reviews; a placeholder for GHG inventories reviews

SBSTA 39 (2013)

- ❖ Welcomed **training materials** developed by secretariat on review of BRs and NCs and asked it to **develop a formal training programme for consideration at SBSTA 40**.
- ❖ Invited **Parties to submit detailed views** on the structure, outline, key elements, including the purpose and scope of the review, timing and reporting, and content of the Annex I GHG inventory review guidelines.
- ❖ Secretariat to make available a synthesis report and a draft of the revised review GHG inventory review guidelines as inputs to the 2nd technical workshop.
- ❖ Reiterated need to have a cost-effective, efficient and practical review process that does not impose an excessive burden on Parties, experts or the secretariat.
- ❖ Agreed work programme should be adjusted **and an additional technical workshop** held in the second half of 2014.



Key resources to guide you in your work

Decisions

- ❖ **1/CP.16, para. 46** *Decides* on a work programme for the development of modalities and guidelines, building on existing reporting and review guidelines, processes and experiences
- ❖ **2/CP.17, para. 28:** *Decides* to establish a work programme under SBSTA
- ❖ **23/CP.19:** Draft revised guidelines with placeholder for inventory review guidelines

SBSTA conclusions

- ❖ **FCCC/SBSTA/2012/5 , paras. 72-85 and Annex I (SBSTA 37)**
- ❖ **FCCC/SBSTA/2013/3, paras. 86-100 (SBSTA 38)**
- ❖ **FCCC/SBSTA/2013/5, paras 61-72 (SBSTA 39)**



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Party views and synthesis

- ❖ Party submissions (http://unfccc.int/documentation/submissions_from_parties/items/5901.php)
- ❖ FCCC/SBSTA/2012/MISC.17: views on the elements of the work programme, the timeline of proposed activities, and the key elements of the revision of the review guidelines (October 2012)
 - ❖ FCCC/SBSTA/2012/INF.11 (Nov 2012): secretariat synthesis of views

Workshop reports

- ❖ FCCC/SBSTA/2013/INF.14 (Nov.2013). Report of 1st workshop

Other:

- ❖ FCCC/TP/2012/8: Current review processes under the Convention and experience in coordinating reviews of NCs and annual GHG inventories of Annex I Parties for SBSTA 37 (Technical Paper, Oct 2012)
- ❖ FCCC/SBSTA/2013/INF.2. Outcome of the 10th meeting of inventory lead reviewers on the options to improve the cost-effectiveness, efficiency and practicality of the review process. (Secretariat note, May 2013)



Proposed organization of work

- ❖ **Agenda contains three main sessions:**
 - ❖ **Where are we now?**
 - ❖ **Introduction to major issues for discussion**
 - ❖ **Drafting text**
- ❖ **The agenda has been prepared under the guidance of the SBSTA Chair.**
- ❖ **The agenda is flexible; designed to meet the objectives of the workshop and accommodate its timing to cover all the main points under discussion, as well as to provide SBSTA 40 with draft review guidelines for its consideration.**



Thank you!!!

