

Experience of the second round of IAR: BR2 reviews, multilateral assessment and preparation for the BR3/NC7 reviews

4th BRs and NCs lead reviewers meeting

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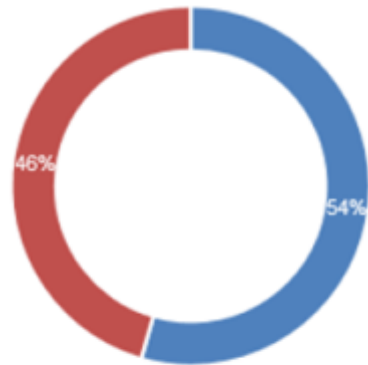


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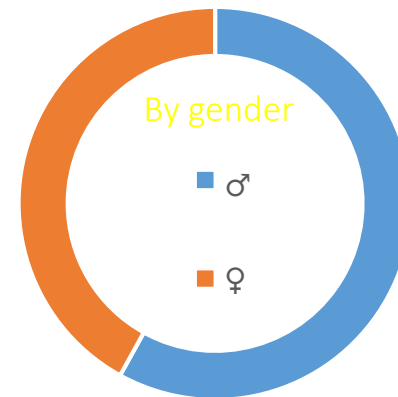
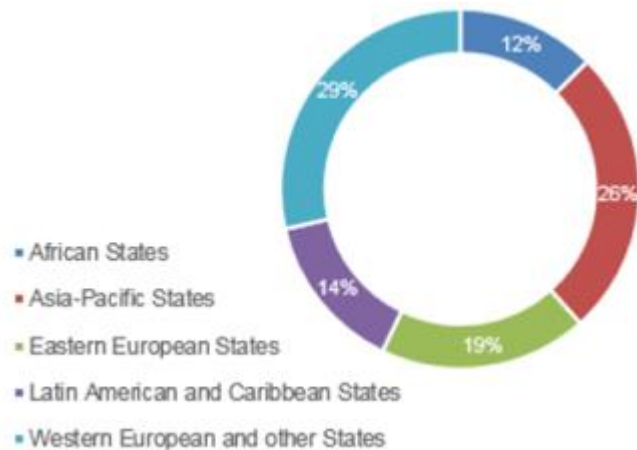
Experience of the second round of IAR: BR2 reviews



BR2 review – balanced ERT composition



■ Non-Annex I Parties ■ Annex I Parties

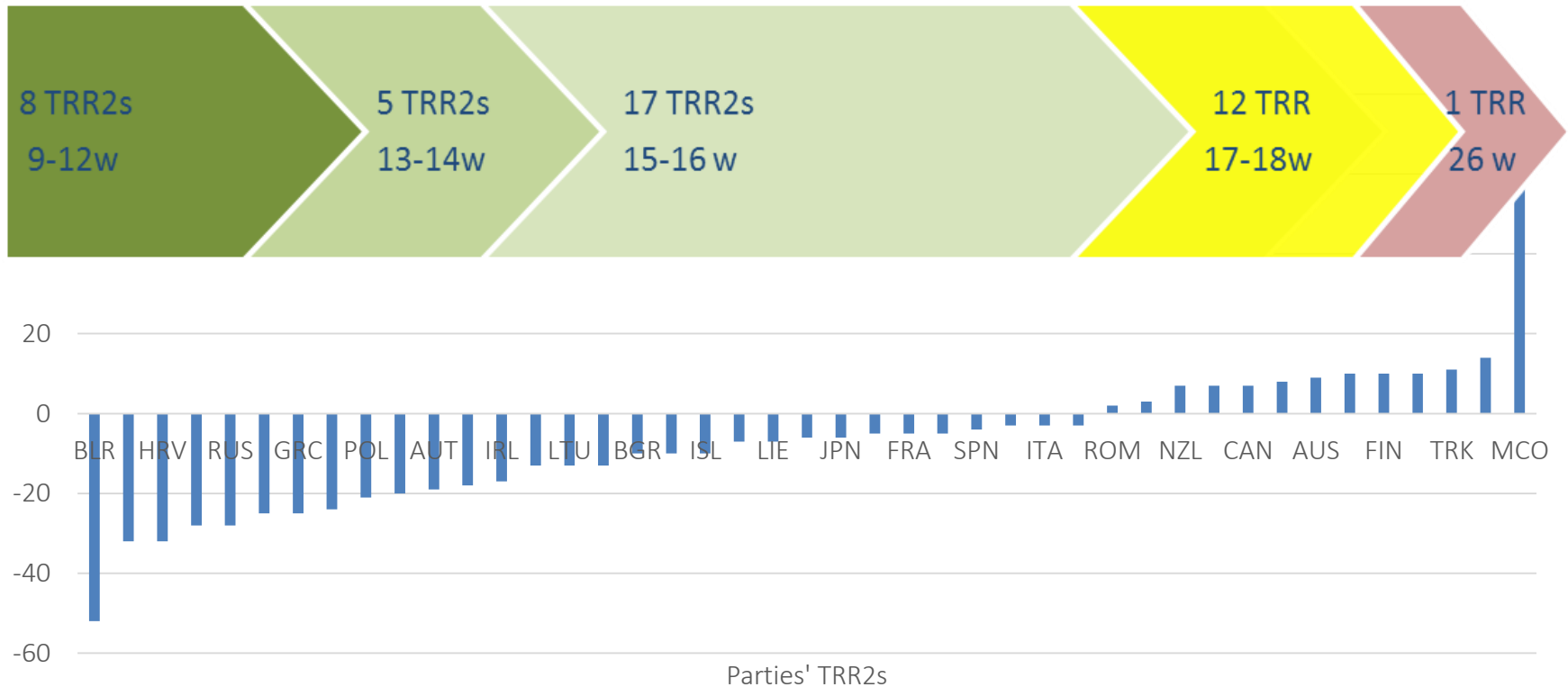


112 individuals from 65 Parties

43 new (38%) and 47 female (42%) experts



BR2 review – improved timeliness



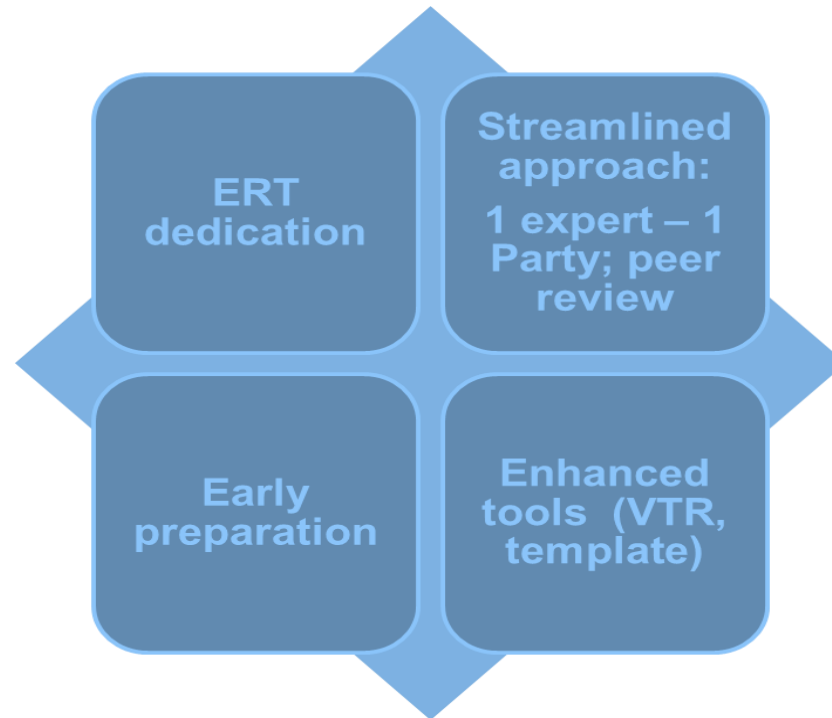
All TRR2s published within 15 months after BR2 submission, by 6 Dec 2017

69% TRR2s were published within 16 weeks, and

97% within 18 weeks after the review week



BR2 review – improved efficiency



BR2 review – improved consistency





Experience of the second round of IAR: multilateral assessment



Outline of the presentation

- IAR 2: MA overview
- Q&A
- MA in Marrakesh
- Where to find all MA related information?
- Next steps

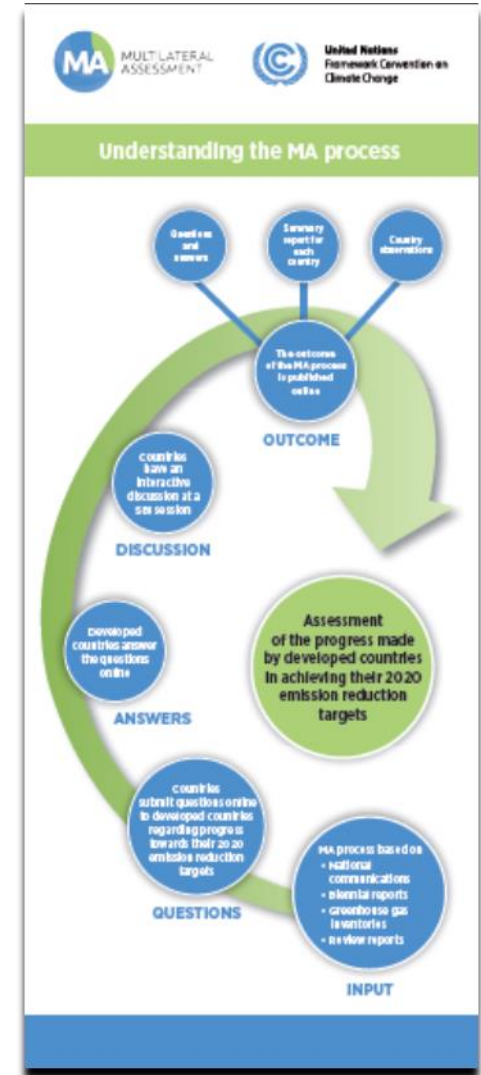


IAR 2: MA an overview

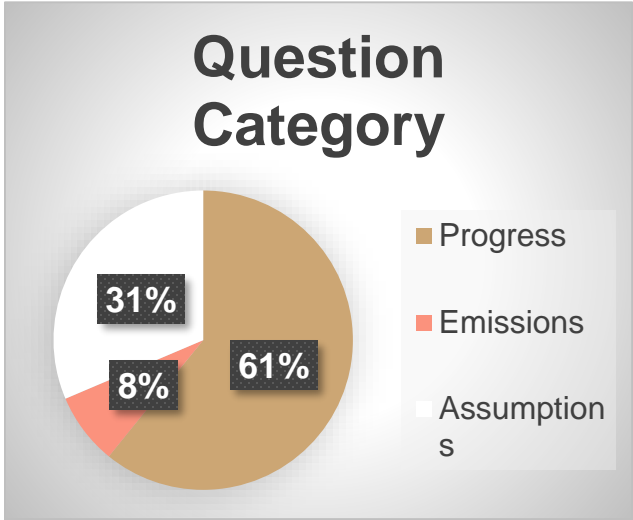
MA of 42 Parties

24 Parties assessed at SBI 45 in Marrakesh (2016)

18 Parties to be assessed at SBI 46 in Bonn (May 2017)

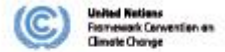


Q&A - SBI 45



MA continues to be a success

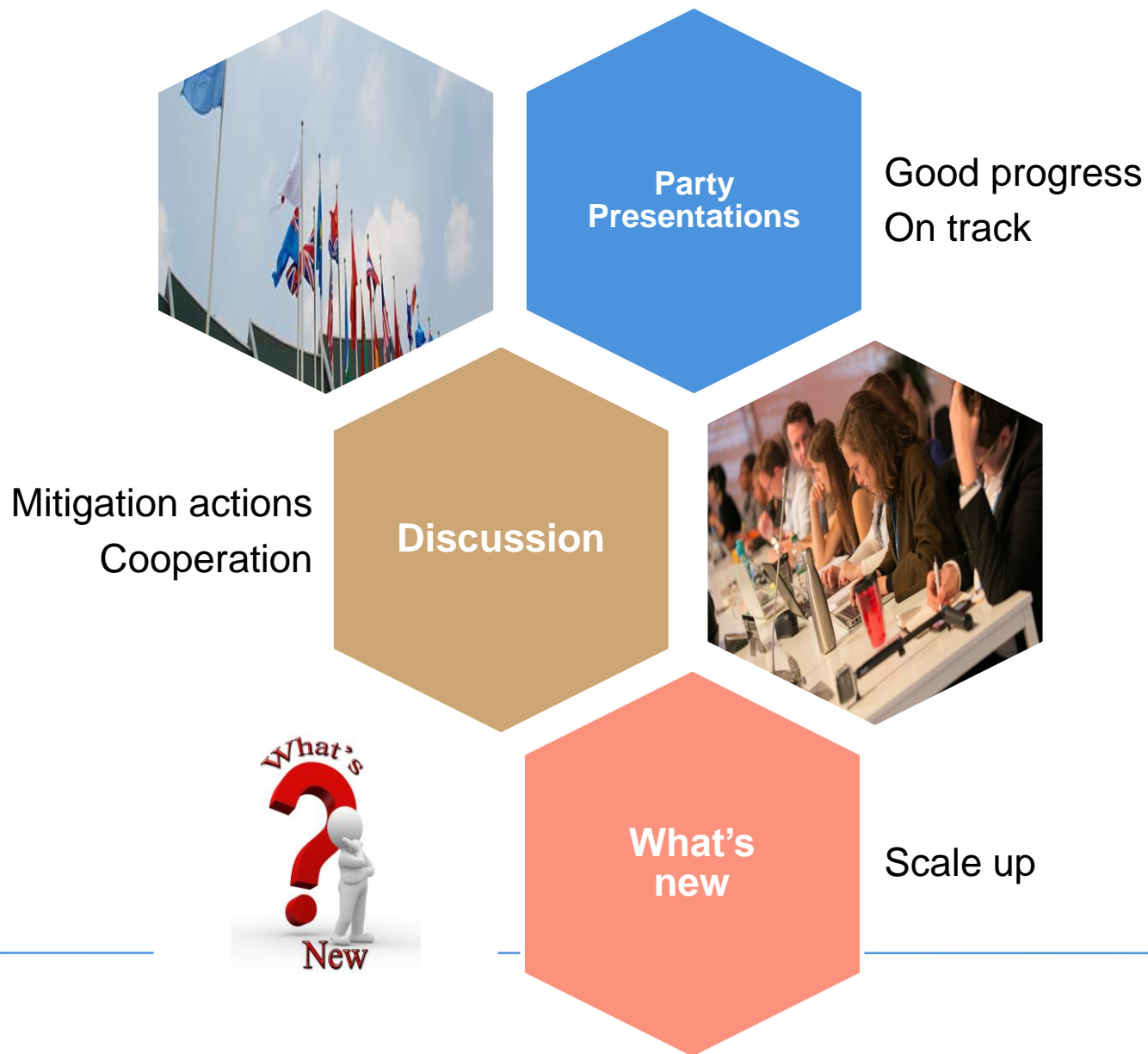
- Clear tendency of shifting interest towards category 'Progress towards target';
- Slight drop in interest to MA process;
- Parties clarified the methodology used for projections and the approach for the use of units from LULUCF and market-based mechanisms;
- Parties were interested to learn about the effectiveness of implemented PaMs, but also about the reasons for not estimating mitigation impacts;
- Differences between information provided in BR1 and BR2 was a new topic appearing throughout all three categories;
- Several countries asked the same or comparable questions to a number of Parties under MA;
- Positive relationship between amount of questions asked under MA Process and amount of recommendations given to countries in TRR2.



Country participation





Outcomes of the MA in Marrakesh



Where to find all MA related information?

Input to MA

- Second Biennial Report ( [BR2](#) (2539 kB) English,  [BR2](#) (4928 kB) French) and technical review report ([TRR2](#))
- Latest [National GHG inventory submission](#) and report ([ARR](#))

Questions formulated and answers provided within the three months prior to the MA session, using the [MA-Portal](#)

Output of MA including Party record

- [TRR2](#)
- [ARR](#)
- Complete set of questions and answers France
- Any observation by France
- SBI summary report France

http://unfccc.int/focus/mitigation/the_multilateral_assessment_process_under_the_iar/items/10090.php



Next steps under the MA (May 2017)



Interaction between countries during the MA process

ONLINE



Countries exchange questions and answers online before the SBI session

IN PERSON



Developed countries present progress towards their 2020 emission reduction targets and respond to additional questions at the SBI session

- 1) 18 Parties to be assessed during SBI session – *Turkey and Ukraine not participating*
- 2) Begin the revision of the modalities and procedures of the IAR
 - a) Based on the experience gained in the first round of IAR (2014-2015) taking into account any submissions received from Parties (by March 2017)
 - b) Adoption at the twenty-third session of the Conference of the Parties (November 2017)

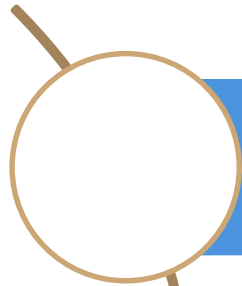


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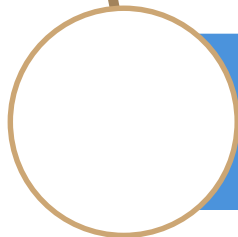
Experience of the second round of IAR: preparation for the BR3/NC7 reviews



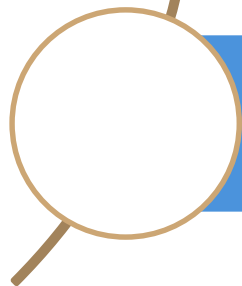
Outline of presentation



BR3/NC7 reviews: challenges remain



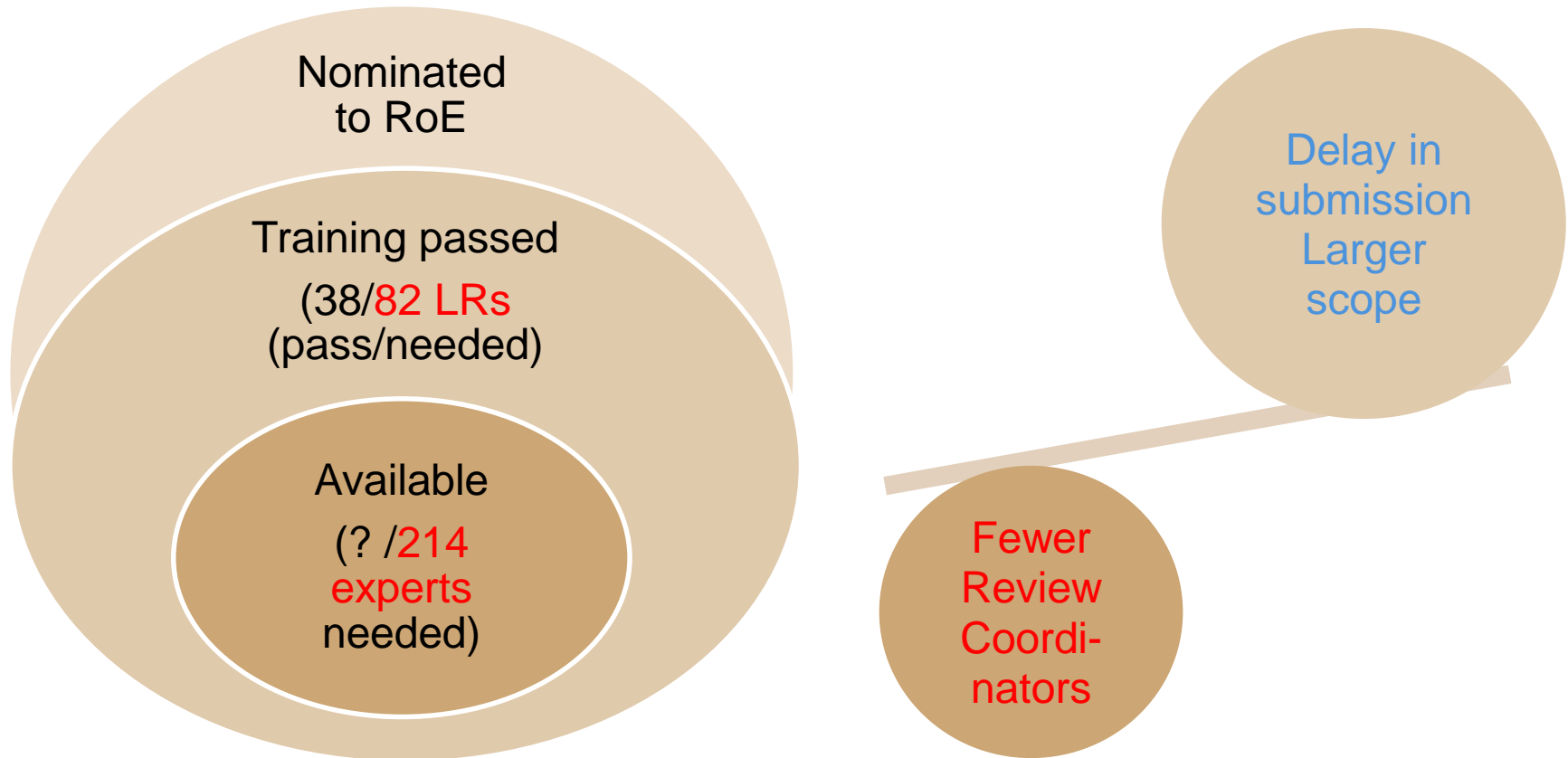
BR3/NC7 submission: changes in workflow



BR CTF: changes and availability for users



BR3/NC7 review challenge: more with less



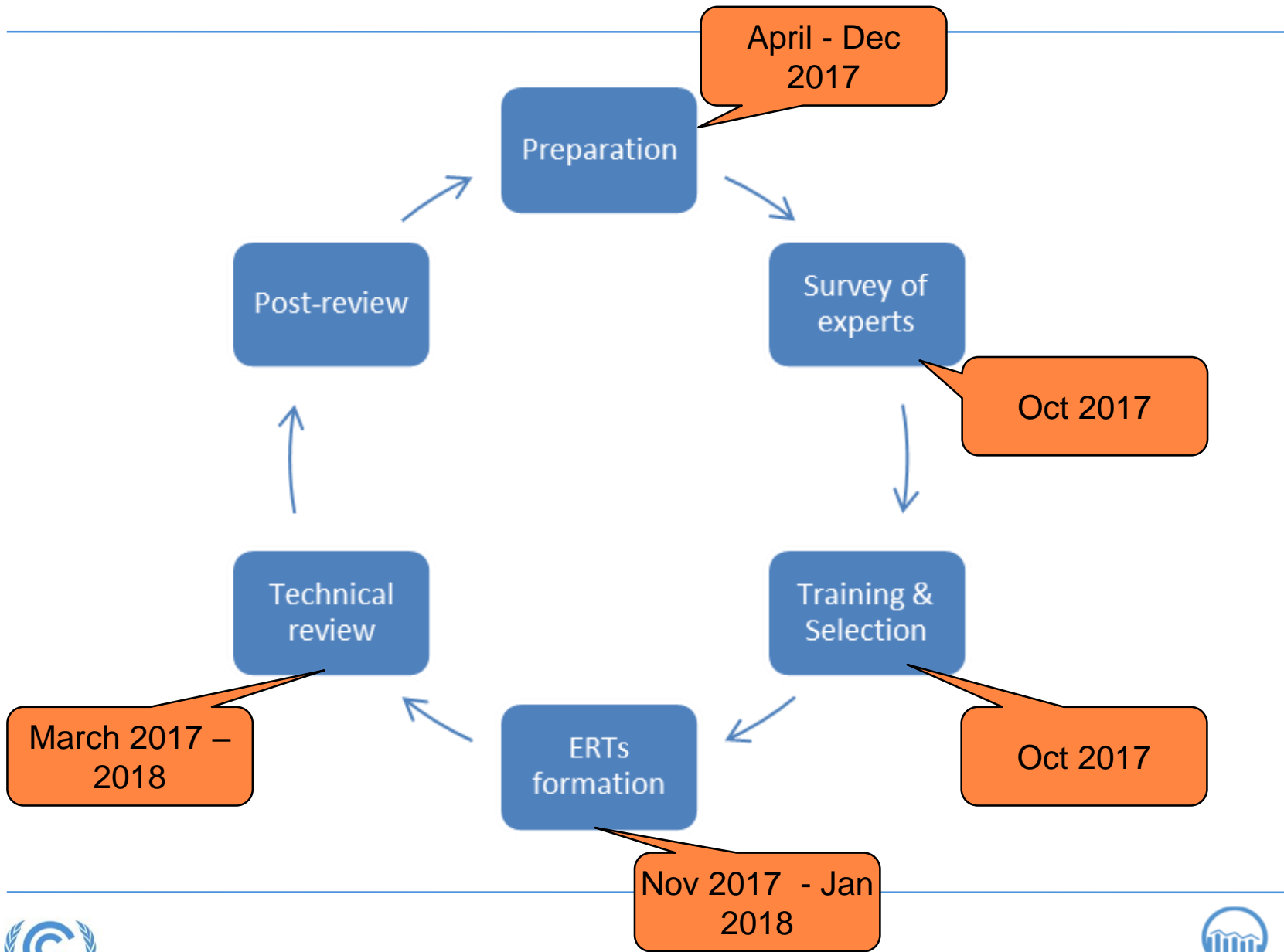
Lack of available trained experts

Lack of available in-house review coordinators



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BR3/NC7 reviews: preparation advancing



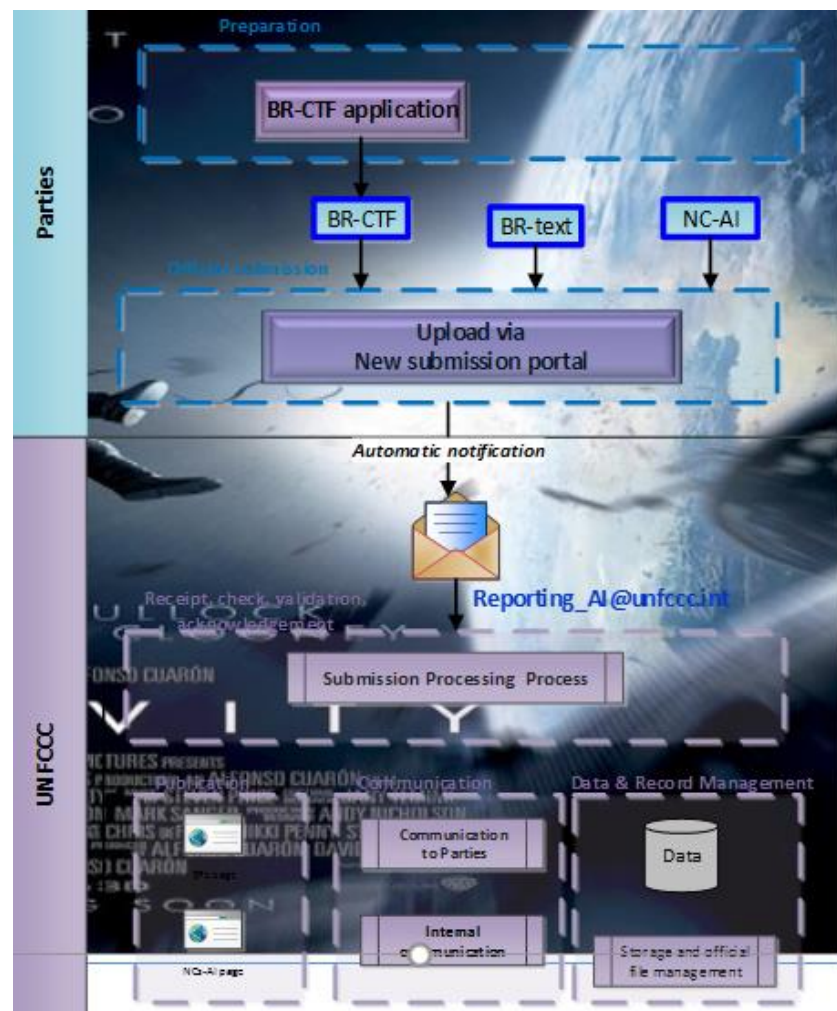
BR3/NC7: submission through a new portal

Secretariat's efforts to enhance data management (DataWarehouse)

Submission of textual part of NC/BR through new submission portal;

Submission of CTF tables, as usual, through application + through submission portal

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Questions to Naziha Degroote: NDegroote@unfccc.int



BR CTF: changes and availability for users

Changes: upgrade ongoing

- **Implementation of decision 9/CP.21:** revised tables 7, 7(a) & 7(b) to enhance transparency (finer granulation of programmes/ projects/activities, streamline the definition of status)
- **Enhancement of user friendliness:**
 - new Excel macro solution for all tables (e.g. filling tables offline, adding multiple rows, copy/paste)
 - additional functionalities (e.g. quick find of Parties, move rows up/down, customized historical years, multiple custom footnotes per row)
- **Bugs fixed** to ensure full consistency between CTF info and generated Excel workbook (e.g. footnotes display)

Availability

- Now: read only version – accessible for historical data
- July 2017: upgraded version (Parties to be informed)



Questions to Vlad Trusca: VTrusca@unfccc.int



Conclusions - points for consideration by LRs

- **Balanced ERTs** were composed with a total of 112 individuals (61 from non-AI and 51 from AI Parties) and 43 new experts.
- **Improvement of timeliness, efficiency and consistency** of reviews owed to stronger commitment of reviewers, early preparation for reviews, enhanced review tools and streamlined review approach



Conclusions - points for consideration by LRs

BR3s and NC7s reviews are planned to be in-country and centralized reviews in 2017-2018, starting from March 2018.

Challenges in coordination of reviews:

- Delay in submission of the BRs → encouragement to the Parties to submit their BR3 and NC7 in due time
- Lack of experts and LRs qualified to conduct the reviews -> encouragement to Parties to continue nominating experts who are actively engaged in the NC and BR preparation
- Lack of available experts (lack of funding to cover the expert cost, other priorities by experts) - > encouragement to Parties to facilitate experts' participation in the reviews
- Limited number of trained review coordinators

Early preparation, peer-review approach, enhanced/updated review tools (VTR, template) would facilitate the reviews.

