

# Technical review report template and checklist for BR2 reviews

3<sup>rd</sup> Lead Reviewers Meeting

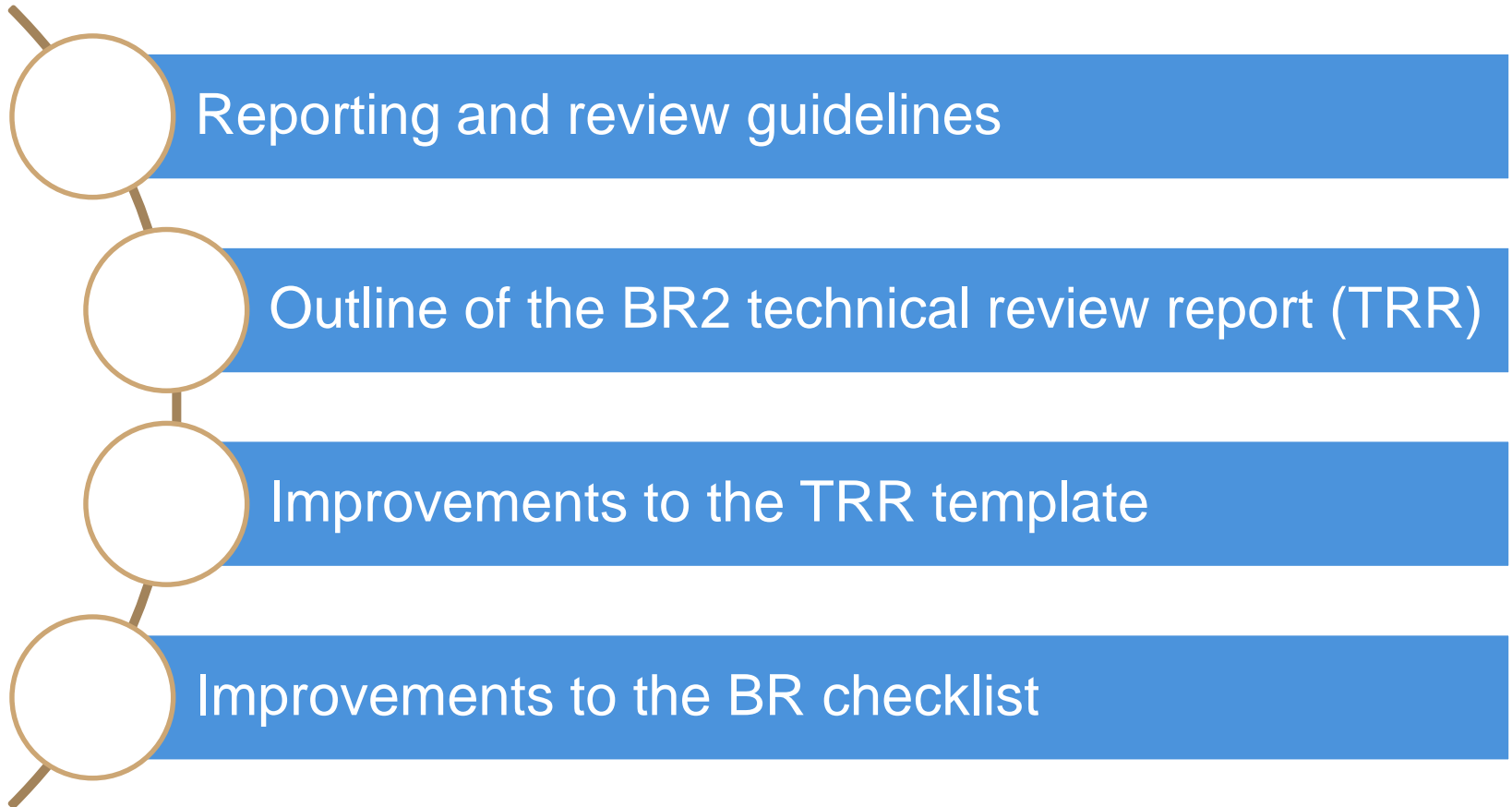
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# Outline of presentation

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# Review mandate used as the basis for TRR

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## Review of BRs

- Each Annex I Party's BR will be reviewed in accordance with decision 13/CP.20
- Output of technical review is **a technical review report** that builds on existing reporting standards and includes examination of Party's progress in achieving its target
- TRR shall include:
  - The **results of technical examination** of parts of BR that are not included in GHG inventory review, including examination of progress to target
  - **Identification of issues** - Transparency, Completeness, Timeliness and Adherence to BR guidelines



# Reporting mandate used as the basis for TRR

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## Technical review report of BR2

- The template includes elements related to assessment of information reported under
  - UNFCCC **biennial reporting guidelines** for developed country Parties (decision 2/CP.17, Annex I)
  - **Common tabular format** for “UNFCCC biennial reporting guidelines for developed country Parties (decision 19/CP.18)



# Structure of the technical review report template for BR2

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- I. Introduction and summary
- II. Technical review of the reported information
  - A. All GHG emissions and removals related to the target
  - B. Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of the target
  - C. Progress made towards the achievement of the target
  - D. Provision of financial, technological and capacity-building support to developing countries
- III. Conclusions

Annex



## Changes made to the TRR/BR2 template

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- Stand-alone report, not complemented by the IDR
- Enhanced guidance to the ERT:
  - a) Frequently-asked questions
  - b) Detailed instructions to the ERT in the template
- Improved organization of the text
  - a) Better structure in the chapters
  - b) Instructions on how to put together a coherent storyline
  - c) Options (reflecting Party-specific circumstances)
- More detailed content of the report compared to TRR1
  - a) Expanded chapters on emissions, mitigation actions and projections
  - b) Better flow of the conclusions



# Improvements to the TRR/BR2 template

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- **Enhanced guidance** to the ERT on how to write the report and frequently-asked questions

- Guidance note:

- Frequently Asked Questions:**

- How do I prepare for the review?

- Which information submitted by Parties is used as the basis for the TRR?

- Why does a TRR look like this?

- Why does a TRR cover so much information?

- How do I use the template?

- What is the structure of each chapter?

- Instructions:

- A. **All greenhouse gas emissions and removals related to the quantified economy-wide emission reduction target (To be prepared by a Projections expert)**

- [Reminder! Check chapter II of the reporting guidelines, BR2 and CTF tables 1(a)-(d) as well as table 2 of the checklist.]**

- [Summary on reporting]*

- [Keep this section factual and succinct; merge or delete unnecessary paragraphs, if they are not relevant. Remember that it is important to maintain the structure of the text in this section, not to increase the number of paragraphs and to include reference to other paragraphs with more detailed information.]*



# Improvements to the TRR/BR2 template

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- Improved organization of the text in the report

- Better structure of the chapters:

*[Reporting on Shalls]*

*[Missing information and information not reported transparently on Shalls]*

*[Additional information on Shalls provided during the review]*

*[Recommendations]*

*[Reporting on Shoulds]*

*[Missing information and information not reported transparently on Shoulds]*

*[Additional information on Shoulds provided during the review]*

*[Encouragements]*

- Instructions on how to put together a coherent storyline that weaves together the technical assessment of various reporting elements into a seamless narrative
- Options text:

*[Technical assessment of reported information]*

**[Option for EU and its member States – includes 4 paras below]**

**[Option for non-EU countries – includes 1 para below]**





# Improvements to the TRR/BR2 template

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- More detailed content of the report compared to TRR1
  - More comprehensive chapters on emissions, mitigation actions and projections
    - Discussion on emission trends and economic indicators
    - Discussion on mitigation policies
    - Discussion on projections scenarios, methodology and results
  - Better flow of the conclusions
    - Focus on four elements of BR assessment: emissions related to target, target, progress to target and support
    - Inclusion of the references to specific paragraphs in the list of recommendations



# Improvements to the BR checklist

- The Checklist is a review tool prepared by the secretariat to facilitate the ERT's initial assessment of **completeness** and **transparency** of reported information and preparation of the TRR.

Expert	Checklist table
Lead Reviewers	Table 1. General reporting requirements
Projections Expert	Table 2. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Trends
Projections Expert	Table 3. Quantified economy-wide emission reduction target
Policy Expert	Table 4. Progress in achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets: mitigation actions and their effects
Projection Expert	Table 5. Progress in achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets: Estimates of emission reductions and removals and the use of units from the market-based mechanisms and land use, land-use change and forestry activities
Projection Expert	Table 6. Projections
FTC Expert	Table 7. Provision of financial, technological and capacity-building support to developing country Parties: General requirements
FTC Expert	Table 8. Provision of financial, technological and capacity-building support to developing country Parties: Finance
FTC Expert	Table 9. Provision of financial, technological and capacity-building support to developing country Parties: Technology development and transfer
FTC Expert	Table 10. Provision of financial, technological and capacity-building support to developing country Parties: Capacity-building
Policy Expert	Table 11. Other reporting matters
Lead Reviewers	Table 12. Status of Common tabular format for "UNFCCC biennial reporting guidelines for developed country Parties"



# Improvements to the BR checklist

- Reference to relevant TRR section
- Identification of previous issues
- Separate sections regarding completeness and transparency
- Documentation of the need for follow up questions
- Documentation of the need for recommendations and encouragements

**Table 1. Quantified economy-wide emission reduction target – To be filled by Projections Expert; relevant to section II.B. in TRR template**

Reporting requirement as per guidelines	Whether reported in BR2	Issue raised in TRR.1	Comments/Notes from the ERT	Follow-up question(s)	Recommen./Encourag.
4. Each Annex I Party <b>shall</b> describe its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target, including any conditions or assumptions that are relevant to the attainment of that target, as communicated to the secretariat and contained in document FCCC/SB/2011/INF.1/Rev.1 or any update to that document.	Y <input type="checkbox"/> / N <input type="checkbox"/>	Y <input type="checkbox"/> / N <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Completeness</i>		
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			<i>Transparency</i>		
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Recommendations/encouragements from TRR.1 of BR1 related to table 3. Quantified economy-wide emission reduction target:

Para in TRR.1	Text of Recommendation

Para in TRR.1	Text of Encouragement



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Thank you!!

*Any questions?*

