Training seminar on review of Biennial Reports and National Communications of Annex I Parties

Introduction

First Lead Reviewers meeting for the review of BRs and NCs 6-7 March 2014, Bonn – Germany



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Current training activities

Reviews of GHG inventories and supplementary information submitted under the Kyoto Protocol

Greatly contributed to the rigour and consistency of the review process and to an increase in the quality of the GHG inventories and supplementary information

Experts improved and updated their professional knowledge and technical skills

More clarity on the review tasks (experts know what they are doing!) Improvement of efficiency of the review and time needed for specific review tasks



Training activities for NC reviews



Training activities should be enhanced to address the new challenges of the NC and BR reviews



International assessment and review

"Modalities and procedures for IAR" specify that the technical review of BRs will cover:

Emissions and removals related to Party's economy-wide target

Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of this target

Progress towards achievement of the target

Provision of financial, technological and capacity-building support to developing countries

No review of the inventory, but examination of its consistency with the BR and NC



International assessment and review

There is a substantive overlap between the review of BRs and NCs of Annex I Parties related to the assessment of progress towards attainment of targets:



Require specialized expertise

Consideration of projections of emission reductions achieved through domestic actions

Provision of financial, technological and capacity-building support to developing countries



Developing training for NC and BRs reviews

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Secretariat to present developed training materials and procedures at SBSTA 39.

Training materials should cover the reporting requirements and the procedures for the general aspects of the review process.

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Guidance on the review of additional information in BRs, objectives of reviews and expectation of ERTs to deliver review reports.

Owing limited time before reviews in 2014, a practical approach, including the provision of the training materials to the experts, should be sought.

Preparation of a more formal training programme in 2014.



Training materials - Concept

Expanding the training curriculum with specific training courses: Key elements of the review of NCs and BRs

- Mitigation actions, policies and measures, their effects and contribution to the progress towards emission reduction targets
- Emission projections and trends and progress towards emission reduction targets
- Provision of financial, technological and capacity-building support

• General guidelines, new elements, rules and procedures

- Enhance competence of experts involved in NC reviews
- Bring more clarity to the review process
- Improve the quality of expert contribution to the review process
- Result in more efficient use of resources
- Facilitate the training of experts for multiple activities, by minimizing redundancies



Training for NC and BR reviews

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Importance of training of review experts before the review of 6th NCs and 1st BRs in the first half of 2014.

Request to secretariat to make the materials available by electronic means for experts participating in 2014 reviews.

Develop a formal training programme for consideration at SBSTA 40 (June 2014).

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Training materials for NC and BR reviews

Module 1: Guidelines and process for the review of national communications and biennial reports

Module 2: Technical review of targets and of policies and measures, their effects and their contribution to achieving those targets

Module 3: Technical review of greenhouse gas emissions, emission trends, projections and the total effect of policies and measures

Module 4: Technical review of provision of financial support, technology transfer and capacity building



Thank you

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http://unfccc.int/national_reports/annex_i_ghg_inventories/inventory_review_training/items/2763.php

