

Reviews and budget: challenge of 2017



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Growing scale/intensity of MRV implementation

| Review/analysis/assessment process | 2012–2013 | 2014–2015 | 2016 only |
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| Reviews of GHG inventories from Annex I Parties (including reviews under KP) | 87 reviews | 43 reviews | 44 reviews (some combined) |
| Reviews of NCs/BRs from developed countries | 8 reviews | 87 reviews | 43 reviews |
| True-up period reviews under the KP | – | – | 37 reviews |
| Analyses of BURs from developing countries | 0 | 15 analyses | 20 analyses |
| Assessments of forest reference levels | 0 | 6 assessments | 9 assessments |
| MA sessions at SBI for developed countries | – | 3 sessions, for 43 Parties | 1 session, for 24 Parties |
| FSV sessions for SBI developing countries | – | – | 2 sessions, for 20 Parties |
| Total review/analysis events | 95 per biennium | 154 per biennium | 156 per one year only |
| Total number of experts needed | 360 per biennium | 394 per biennium | 434 per one year only |

More events in 2016 than in the whole previous biennium; and more experts needed

Number of events and supported experts increasing twice... the current budget cannot support it fully over the biennium



Budget becomes a planning constraint...

- To complete its essential work in 2016, the MDA programme had to borrow from its 2017 budget
 - MDA must balance budget by end of 2017 (UN financial regulations)
 - Implementing the review process of 2017 (GHG inventories) as BAU is not possible financially, using the core budget only
 - Additional challenge: delayed contributions to the UNFCCC budget may impact the budget even more (the budget allocations on paper may not realize, with implications)
 - Supplementary funding is an opportunity (was asked for 2016-2017)
=> but it may not come (no contributions at all were received for this purpose)
 - **Resource availability becomes decisive for planning GHG inventory reviews in 2017:**
 - All 44 reviews as usual – if there is supplementary funding
 - Only 22 reviews – if only core funding is available
 - If there is a general cash-flow problem at UNFCCC, only desk reviews may be possible
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