

# **Best practices and challenges in supporting MRV in developing countries**

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# GIZ projects worldwide working on MRV

- 29 global, regional and bilateral projects in 18 countries -





## International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV

- Launched by South Africa, South Korea and Germany at the Petersberg Climate Dialogue in 2010.
- Since then the Partnership brought together > 90 countries to advance negotiations on mitigation & MRV and to support the design, set-up and effective implementation of NDCs, LEDS, NAMAs and MRV-systems.
- The Partnership
  - facilitates the exchange of good practice between climate negotiators, policymakers and practitioners (P2P)
  - builds trust and informs UNFCCC negotiations through partnership meetings and annual retreats
  - develops capacities on demand within regional groups
  - cooperates widely, e.g. with UNDP, UNFCCC, PMR, FAO,...



## Barriers and Challenges

- **Lack of political buy-in:** Climate change is not a national priority; MRV-system perceived as additional burden, no funds available for personnel, recruitment stop in ministries
- **Ad-hoc/informal institutional arrangements** of the national MRV-systems. Lack of clear roles and responsibilities for the designated entities for the MRV-systems
- **Limited access to data:** informal arrangements for data collection with sector ministries and private sector, ad hoc collection of data
- **Institutional memory:** MRV-system often dependent on individuals and/or donor-project-funded external consultants. No knowledge transfer (fly-in-fly-out capacity building = memory loss)
- **Lack of technical expertise** and/or equipment
- **Willingness to do all at once** without clear priorities or too ambitious



## Lessons Learnt / Success factors

- **Complementarity** of national and regional/global support
  - Capacity-building needs continuous long-term and demand-driven in-country presence and support (technical workshops, stakeholder involvement, backstopping)
  - Regional and global programs add peer-to-peer exchange, knowledge management, e.g. identification of good practices, development of tools and guidance, complementary e-learning/webinars
- **Importance of language:** Partnership's regional groups
- **Sustainable** MRV-systems & transparency frameworks need national ownership and **additional national human and financial resource**
- **Need for coordination** among support programs on country selection, peer-to-peer events & knowledge management (already ongoing, e.g. MRV-Partnership and UNDP/UNFCCC, EU-MRV-Project, ICAT, etc.)



## Regional & global MRV/Transparency Programs/Initiatives - mitigation only -

- (1) Paris Committee on Capacity-building and Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT)
- (2) UNDP-LECB - Low Emission Capacity Building Programme & follow-up “Support to Dev. Countries on INDC & CC” (EC, Germany, Australia)
- (3) UNDP-GSP - Global Support Programme (GEF)
- (4) International Partnership on Mitigation & MRV (& BMUB-NDC-Cluster)
- (5) NDC-Partnership (forthcoming, Germany)
- (6) PMR - Partnership for Market Readiness
- (7) UNEP Umbrella Programme for BUR to the UNFCCC (GEF)
- (8) MAPT – Measurement and Performance Tracking Project
- (9) ClimaSouth and ClimaEast (European Commission)
- (10) ICAT - Initiative for Climate Action Transparency (20 countries, toolbox with guidance, 10 elements, Germany, Italy, CWF, CIFF)
- (11) Coalition on Paris Agreement Capacity Building
- (12) Accounting rules for achievement mitigation goals of NAI (MX,CR,CO)



# Global Good Practice Analysis (GPA)

*on INDCs, LEDS, NAMAs and MRV*

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- **Joint initiative** by the International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV and the UNDP Low Emission Capacity Building Programme
- 40 **case studies** of mitigation-related good practice **worldwide**
- Rich **insights** on successes and lessons learned
- Aims to support increased mitigation ambition, raise awareness among the countries and to foster **peer-to-peer exchange**
- **A webinar series** presents the main findings through country representatives live presentations. Register [here!](#)



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## Knowledge Products:

- Stock taking Tool
- BUR template
- BUR Process Guidance

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