

INFORMATION NOTE

Workshop to further the understanding of the diversity of nationally appropriate mitigation actions by developing country Parties, underlying assumptions, and any support needed for implementation of these actions

I. Mandate and background

1. The Conference of Parties (COP) at its seventeenth session decided to continue, in 2012, workshops in a structured manner, to further the understanding of the diversity of mitigation actions as communicated and contained in FCCC/AWGLCA/2011/INF.1, underlying assumptions and any support needed for the implementation of these actions, noting different national circumstances and the respective capabilities of developing country Parties.¹
2. At the first part of the fifteenth session of the AWGLCA, Parties agreed to organizing a focused workshop on specific NAMAs structured in accordance with decision 2/CP.17 that pays particular attention to support needs, but is not limited to it.²

II. Proposed approach

3. The workshop will be organized in two panels as described below. After the opening of the workshop by the facilitator, each panel will be introduced by a moderator, followed by interventions from the panelists and questions from the audience.
4. Parties are invited to come prepared to participate in the discussion around the questions prepared for each panel. The workshop is open for participation to Parties and observers.
5. A written workshop report will be prepared by the facilitator of the workshop with the assistance of the secretariat.

III. Panels and thematic areas

Panel 1: Underlying assumptions and methodologies, sectors and gases covered, global warming potential values used and estimated mitigation outcomes

6. The objectives of this panel will be to, first, present and discuss assumptions underlying NAMAs, the sectors and greenhouse gases they cover, and methodological aspects including GWPs; and, second, understand the challenges and gaps in relation to the provision of information on NAMAs and discuss ways to address them.
7. Four panelists from developing countries Parties and two from developed country Parties will be invited to join the panel.
8. The moderator will briefly introduce the topic of discussion by providing an overview of assumptions, sectors and gases and methodologies communicated so far by Parties in relation to their NAMAs. The panel will be invited to react to this introduction and to discuss the following questions:

¹ Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 33.

² Oral report on nationally appropriate mitigation actions by developing country Parties (agenda item 3(b)(ii)) presented to the Contact group of the AWG-LCA at the first part of its fifteenth session (Bonn, Germany, 15-24 May 2012), available at: <unfccc.int/6646>.

- What assumptions should be considered while preparing a NAMA?
- What are the main methodological challenges that need to be addressed for the preparation and implementation of NAMAs?
- What are the main gaps of information on NAMAs communicated to the UNFCCC and what could the UNFCCC do to address them?

Panel 2: Support needs

9. The objective of this panel will be to present details of financial, technological and capacity building support needed to prepare and implement NAMAs, as well discuss ways and means to address those needs.

10. Four panelists from developing countries Parties and two from developed country Parties will be invited to join the panel.

11. The moderator will briefly introduce the topic of discussion by providing an overview of the information referred to by developing countries in relation to support needs to prepare and implement their NAMAs. The panelists will be invited to react to this introduction and to discuss the following questions:

- What support has already been provided for the preparation and implementation of NAMAs? What is lacking in terms of provision of support and what could the UNFCCC do to make it available?
- What are the main obstacles that need to be addressed so that available sources of support could effectively be channeled to support the preparation and implementation of NAMAs?

IV. Date and venue

12. The workshop will take place on Sunday, 2 September 2012, during the informal additional session of the AWG-LCA to be held in Bangkok, Thailand. The venue and the exact timing will be announced in due course.