COP26 CATALYST FOR CLIMATE ACTION: Assembly at the UN Regional Climate Week for the Asia-Pacific

<u>Capacity building for transparency and reporting: sharing experiences</u> <u>from the Asia-Pacific region and beyond</u>

Wednesday 7 July 2021 at 17:30-19:00 Tokyo; 20:30-22:00 Suva; 14:00-15:30 Delhi; 09:30-11:00 London

Platform: Zoom

Registration: <u>Register here in advance</u> Please share this link with anyone whom you would like to invite to join the session

SESSION DESCRIPTION

Strong mechanisms to report on greenhouse gas emissions, progress in achieving NDCs and adaptation plans and are key to achieving ambitious outcomes under the Paris Agreement. All countries need to be able to produce reliable, transparent and comprehensive information on emissions, climate actions and support under the Enhanced Transparency Framework – transfer of support and long-term capacity building is crucial if we are to achieve a sustained approach. This session will introduce the COP26 Catalyst's work on transparency and reporting: outlining existing support, challenges and experiences from the region and beyond. Attendees will be welcome to share their views on capacity building and support challenges in this area and to suggest potential areas of focus for our work.

SESSION OBJECTIVES

The aim of the session is to explore capacity building in relation to transparency under the Paris Agreement, to lay out key challenges that Parties and partners may face in the implementation of the Enhanced Transparency Framework and to gather ideas and solutions from participants to inform the work of the COP26 Catalyst's Action Group on Transparency and Reporting.

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Time (Tokyo)	Section	Speakers and guiding questions
17:30	Welcome, scene setting, session format	Mary Awad Menassa, Ministry of Environment, Lebanon Yamikani Idriss, Government of Malawi James Corré, COP26 Catalyst for Climate Action
17:35	Opening reflections	Ratnasari Wargahadibrata

		Directorate General of Climate Change Control, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Indonesia
		Tegshjargal Bumtsend Environment and Climate Fund of the Ministry of Environment and Tourism, Mongolia
		Noa Rose Transparency & Mitigation, COP26 Presidency (UK)
17:45	Panel session	Chisa Umeniya Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES), Japan
		Jae Jung Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea
		Jeanette Mani
		Climate Change Division, Government of Fiji
		Saleemul Huq International Centre for Climate Change and Development (ICCCAD), Bangladesh
		 Framing questions for panelists to address: 1. What are the key capacity building challenges for transparency and reporting in Asia-Pacific? 2. How can countries in the Asia-Pacific region build their national capacities for transparency and reporting (e.g. through collaboration, peer to peer learning, support programmes)? 3. What support does your organisation provide that could benefit capacity building for transparency in the Asia-Pacific region?
		Participants will have the opportunity to contribute comments or put questions to the panel.

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18:20	Breakout	
	groups	Siddhartha Nauduri, Global Green Growth Institute
		(GGGI)
		• Catarina Tarpo, Partnership on Transparency in the
		Paris Agreement (PATPA)
		• Fernanda Alcobe, International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED)
		Guiding questions for breakout discussions:
		1. What are the key current capacity building challenges around reporting that you experience in your country?
		2. What future capacity building challenges do you expect
		your country will experience whilst transitioning to the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF)?
		3. What topics should the COP26 Catalyst Action Group on
		Transparency focus their efforts on this year, in order to
		support and promote capacity building in this area going
		forward?
18:50	Return to	Noa Rose, Transparency & Mitigation, COP26 Presidency (UK)
	plenary and close	James Corré , Secretariat Lead, COP26 Catalyst for Climate Action