

Background Information on Support Available to Developing Country Parties

for preparing their biennial transparency reports and enhancing sustainable institutional capacity and national reporting systems within their Governments for implementing the enhanced transparency framework, and in the context of providing guidance on the application process for transparency-related projects

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This document is not an exhaustive list, instead a compilation of the information communicated to the secretariat by interested organizations on support available to developing country Parties for preparing their biennial transparency reports and enhancing sustainable institutional capacity and national reporting systems within their governments for implementing the ETF. The information is presented as communicated to the secretariat and additional relevant information communicated to the secretariat will be incorporated to the document.

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GEF and GEF implementing agencies

Global Environment Facility (GEF)

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: Global Environment Facility (GEF)

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2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Support relevant Convention obligations and enabling activities	<p>Since its inception, the GEF has supported various types of climate change-related enabling activities.</p> <p>All developing country Parties to the Paris Agreement are eligible to receive financing for the preparation of Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs).</p> <p>Parties to the Paris Agreement may choose to submit a combined BTR/NC report in the years a NC is submitted, following the modalities, procedures, and guidelines for BTRs.</p> <p>The GEF has significantly scaled up its support to BTRs under the Paris Agreement in terms of both financial resources and awareness and capacity building activities.</p>	Developing country Parties to the Paris Agreement	The GEF has supported various types of climate change-related enabling activities since its inception +30 years ago. The support modalities for BTRs have been available since February 2021.
Support capacity-building needs for transparency under the Paris Agreement through the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT)	<p>The GEF provides support for projects that build institutional and technical capacities to meet the provisions of the transparency framework of the Paris Agreement. The CBIT, as per paragraph 85 of the COP decision adopting the Paris Agreement aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strengthen national institutions for transparency-related activities in line with national priorities;• Provide relevant tools, training and assistance for meeting the provisions stipulated in Article 13 of the Agreement;• Assist in the improvement of transparency over time	Developing country Parties to the Paris Agreement, including those that have finalized the implementation of their first CBIT project, are eligible to apply for funding for their second CBIT project.	Support for CBIT has been provided since 2016 on a first come, first served basis.

3. INFORMATION ON TOOLS AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

- The Climate Transparency Forum is a one-stop-shop related to the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF). It was established by the CBIT Global Support Programme (CBIT-GSP): <https://climate-transparency-platform.org/>
- The GEF modalities of support and updated indicative costing for preparing BTRs and NCs are presented in the information note GEF/C.62/Inf.15: <https://www.thegef.org/council-meeting-documents/gef-c-62-inf-15>
- Following CMA 4 guidance, the GEF Secretariat organized the consultation on its support to the Enhanced Transparency Framework in June 2023. More information at: <https://www.thegef.org/events/consultation-gef-support-enhanced-transparency-framework>
- Following CMA 3 guidance, the GEF Secretariat organized the workshop on Reporting Systems under the Enhanced Transparency Framework took place on October 2022. More information at: <https://www.thegef.org/events/workshop-reporting-systems-under-enhanced-transparency-framework>
- The Third Informal Consultation on Financial Support for Biennial Transparency Reports took place on February 2022. More information at: <https://www.thegef.org/events/third-informal-consultation-financial-support-biennial-transparency-reports>
- The GEF modalities of support and initial indicative costing for preparing BTRs and NCs are presented in the information note GEF/C.62/Inf.15. This information note also communicates the phase out of the support for Biennial Update Reports (BURs): <https://www.thegef.org/council-meeting-documents/gef-c-59-inf-19>
- The Second Informal Consultation on Financial Support for Biennial Transparency Reports took place on November 2020. More information at: <https://www.thegef.org/events/second-informal-consultation-financial-support-biennial-transparency-reports>
- The First Informal Consultation on Financial Support for Biennial Transparency Reports took place on June 2020. More information at: <https://www.thegef.org/events/informal-consultation-meeting-financial-support-biennial-transparency-reports-under-paris>
- The CBIT programming directions are available in the decision document GEF/C.50/06: https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/council-meeting-documents/EN_GEF.C.50.06_CBIT_Programming_Directions_0_0.pdf

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

Webpage: Corporate FAO ETF page [here](#), a dedicated website on FAO support to countries will be available in June 2024

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2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Global capacity-building towards enhanced transparency in the AFOLU sector (CBIT-AFOLU+) (website forthcoming)			
Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency and Enabling Activity projects to support the capacity and the preparation of NCs and BTRs through GEF funding modalities	As an Implementing Agency of the GEF, FAO assists countries to access GEF funds for climate change for the capacity building and the enabling activities to deliver reporting instruments including National Communications, and Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs) and also, previously Biennial Update Reports (BURs). As April 2024, FAO is implementing around 25 CBIT projects and less than 10 EA projects.	Government agencies to submit formal request	Anytime
Institutional arrangements	FAO facilitates the definition of role and responsibilities of the actors in and provide capacity building on enhancing institutional arrangements for addressing the ETF requirements	Government agencies to submit formal request	From July 2024 onwards
Technical training	FAO provide trainings on national GHG inventory (mainly AFOLU), 2006 IPCC Guidelines, IPCC Software, NDC tracking, NDC enhancement, adaptation reporting, BTR planning and implementation	Government agencies to submit formal request	From July 2024 onwards

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One-to-one mentoring	FAO provides (bi)weekly remote technical advice in implementing tasks on the topics above for the preparation of the BTR, with the objective to increase the national capacity of assigned experts with the concept of learning by doing.	Government agencies to submit formal request	From July 2024 onwards
Academia and Youth	FAO involves non-state actors (i.e. universities, research institutes) in the development of a strong and robust monitoring system. Transparency as a potential carrier opportunity for youth.	Government agencies and academia, youth and student organizations	From July 2024 onwards
Raise awareness, campaigns and regional/global workshops/trainings	In collaboration with other transparency initiatives, FAO is providing support in raising awareness on the importance of transparency and in particular ensuring the Agriculture, Forestry and Land Use sector is well represented to help countries to enhance their climate change ambition with the sector.	Global, regional	From July 2024 onwards
“Building global capacity to increase transparency in the forest sector (CBIT-Forest): accelerating capacity-building, knowledge-sharing and awareness raising”: https://www.fao.org/in-action/boosting-transparency-forest-data/en/			
Raise awareness on latest national forest resources data to support reporting	Promote information exchange among FAO Global Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) national correspondents and UNFCCC national focal points (NFP) to guarantee the availability of the latest forest resource data for the Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs).	Global initiative, mainly for UNFCCC National Focal Points (NFP).	Continuous. For queries regarding FRA 2025 national reports and focal points please contact: FRA@fao.org . For general FRA related updates subscribe to the FRA newsletter
Technical support and training	Support countries to strengthen institutional and technical capacities of developing countries on forest related data collection, and analysis and dissemination processes to meet the ETF requirements of the Paris Agreement. Global initiatives are designed and delivered in collaboration with key international stakeholders, including the UNFCCC, CBIT-GSP Climate Transparency Initiative, FAO's AIM4Forests Programme and the Global Forest Observations Initiative (GFOI).	Global initiatives, open to all, e.g., self-paced or online facilitated courses in multiple languages	Self-paced course in multiple languages at any time anywhere (E-learning series: Forest Monitoring for Climate Action - YouTube). New courses will be available in 2025. Online facilitated courses are available in multiple languages within a time frame. Follow the News (fao.org) for upcoming opportunities. For queries please contact: CBIT-Forest@fao.org

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Technical support	Enhance forest data sharing through the publication in an open and digital platform. Forest inventory data disseminated through FAO's Food and Agriculture Microdata (FAM) Catalogue.	Global initiative, forest data transparency	Continuous, governments adhered to the initiative. For queries please contact: CBIT-Forest@fao.org
Facilitate regional cooperation for promoting exchange of experience, lessons learned	Support and facilitate national forest inventory (NFI) network to enhance forest data transparency.	Regional initiative	Continuous, governments adhered to the regional network. On going support to the Latin America and the Caribbean network. A new NFI network will be facilitated in Asia.

3. INFORMATION ON TOOLS AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

- [Transparency under the Paris Agreement. A pocket guide for young people and beginners](#)
- [Biennial transparency report \(BTR\) guidance and roadmap tool](#), a series of questions that helps countries to generate a country-driven roadmap to prepare the BTR. It has been developed in collaboration with PATPA.
- [Transparency Readiness Navigator](#), a tool to distillate the modalities, procedures and guidelines (MPGs) requirements for the national GHG inventory and to provide and assessment at global and regional levels on the readiness of countries in addressing them.
- [Archiving guidance for a national greenhouse gas inventory](#), a step-by-step guidance that helps countries define the structure and procedures for the archiving system, preventing the loss of information and facilitating the preparation of future GHG inventories.
- [Greenhouse Gas Data Management \(GHG-DM\) tool](#), an excel-based package to compile the metadata of the activity data and parameters for all reporting sectors. Each excel file contains a comprehensive list of data and parameters (Tier 1 and 2) to estimate all emissions and removals.
- [E-learning courses for national GHG inventories series](#), a collection of freely available 24/7 e-learning courses on national GHG inventories for agriculture and LULUCF following the 2006 IPCC guidelines. The courses offer certification, and they are:
 - [Preparing a greenhouse gas inventory under the Enhanced Transparency Framework](#) (EN, SP, FR)
 - [The national greenhouse gas inventory \(NGHGI\) for agriculture](#) (EN, SP)
 - [Estimating methane emissions from enteric fermentation using Tier 2 method](#)- (EN, SP, FR)
 - [The national greenhouse gas inventory \(NGHGI\) for land use](#) (EN)
 - [Assessing uncertainties in the national greenhouse gas inventory: a focus on land use](#) (EN, FR)

- [The LoGlc tool for developing land representation for national greenhouse gas inventories](#), the backbone information for estimating GHG emissions and removals from the LULUCF sector.
- [The Nationally Determined Contributions Tracking Tool](#) that facilitates countries in collecting the information required to track progress made in implementing and achieving their NDCs.
- [The Nationally Determined Contribution Expert Tool \(NEXT\)](#) to assess the mitigation impacts in terms of GHG emissions and removals of policies in the AFOLU sector.
- [Tools for reporting on adaptation under the Enhanced Transparency Framework](#)
- Towards open and transparent forest data for climate action: experiences and lessons learned ([English](#), [Spanish](#) and [French](#))
- [E-learning series: Forest monitoring for climate action](#): this curriculum aims to strengthen institutional and technical capacities, to meet the measurement, reporting and verification requirements, as well as the ETF requisites. As of today, it consists of 6 courses in multiple languages. Upcoming courses will be available in 2025. Video available: [E-learning series: Forest Monitoring for Climate Action \(youtube.com\)](#)
- Compilation: [CBIT-Forest case studies strengthen knowledge sharing among countries working with forest data transparency](#) – available in EN, FR and ES
- National Forest Inventories of Latin America and the Caribbean: Towards the harmonization of forest information ([English](#), [Spanish](#))
- *Information note - reporting with national forest inventories* (soon will be available, check [here](#))
- [Technological innovation driving transparent forest monitoring and reporting for climate action](#)
- [National forest monitoring system \(NFMS\) assessment tool](#) (available in UN 6 languages)
- [Legal assessment to set up and operationalize a national forest monitoring system](#) (also in [Spanish](#) and [French](#))
- [Open Foris set of free and open-source](#) tools for environmental monitoring (also in [Spanish](#) and [French](#))
- [Open Foris interactive story](#) (available in 6 UN languages)
- Insights into the FAO Global Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) process video: [English](#), [Spanish](#) and [French](#).
- FRA 2025 – Terms and definitions: [Arabic](#), [Chinese](#), [English](#), [French](#), [Spanish](#), and [Russian](#)
- Food and Agriculture Microdata Catalogue: [Forest Inventory Data](#)

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Web page : <https://climatepromise.undp.org/what-we-do/areas-of-work/transparency>

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2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Enabling Activity projects to support the preparation of NCs and BTRs through Global Environment Facility (GEF) funding modalities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNDP supports countries to comply with their reporting obligations to the UNFCCC and with enhancing their transparency frameworks. As an Implementing Agency of the GEF, UNDP assists countries to access GEF funds for climate change enabling activities to deliver reporting instruments including National Communications, and Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs) and also, previously Biennial Update Reports (BURs). • UNDP provides streamlined technical support and quality assurance in project design, implementation monitoring and oversight for enabling activity projects in accordance with donor policy requirements. • UNDP is currently supporting 37 countries in their preparation of Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs) (<i>including under design and/or implementation</i>). 	GEF Eligible countries - All developing country Parties to the Paris Agreement are eligible to receive financing for the preparation of BTRs and NCs.	<p>Ongoing basis according to GEF programming directions and information note on the update of the cost structure for the financing of biennial transparency reports for the developing country parties to the Paris Agreement.</p> <p>UNDP provides enabling activity programming support upon the official request of Governments and in line with UNDP-GEF programming policies and the UNFCCC report submission requirements and timelines.</p>
Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency Projects (CBIT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the GEF Implementing Agency, UNDP mobilizes Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT) projects, provides streamlined technical support and quality assurance in project design, implementation 	GEF eligible countries – All developing country Parties to	<p>Ongoing basis.</p> <p>UNDP provides CBIT programming support upon the official request of</p>

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
through GEF funding modalities	<p>monitoring and oversight for CBIT projects in accordance with donor policy requirements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CBIT projects aim to (1) strengthen national institutions for transparency-related activities in line with national priorities; (2) provide relevant tools, training, and assistance for meeting the provisions stipulated in Article 13 of the Paris Agreement; and (3) assist in the improvement of transparency in climate change. • UNDP is currently supporting 23 countries in their CBIT projects (<i>including under design and/or implementation</i>). 	the Paris Agreement.	Governments and in line with UNDP-GEF programming policies.
UNDP Climate Promise: Enhancing Climate Transparency (ECT) in Lusophone and Francophone developing countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical Support to improve countries' MRV and transparency systems: Support to ETF readiness, enhancing MRV systems for tracking emissions, develop CC modeling scenarios, NIRs, strengthen institutional arrangements and data collection, Digital Public Goods for transparency systems, etc. • Training and quality review support for the GHG Inventories: support for the preparation of GHG Inventories, training on the use of data collection and reporting tools such as IPCC, LEAP, and other ETF reporting tools. • BTR and NC quality assurance: Support for the preparation of the proposal packages to GEF and related project documents, technical assistance in drafting BTR and NCs and review process, and quality assurance of the reports prepared. • Support to Technical Expert Review and facilitative multilateral consideration of progress: Assist countries in responding to comments and recommendations of Technical Expert Review Team; incorporate recommendations from technical expert review. • Capacity development and knowledge exchange: National and regional trainings and South/South exchanges; develop knowledge products; support evidence-based policymaking. • Support to climate negotiators (for SBs and COP delegations): Provide support for the preparation of national climate policies, conduct trainings to update and inform countries on recent developments and decisions 	<p>Lusophone and Francophone Developing Countries</p> <p>PS: this support could be available to other countries, on a demand basis and regarding the resources available.</p>	Ongoing basis

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	<p>taken during SBs and COPs. Our support also includes on-site technical assistance when needed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for digital transparency systems: Technical and tool support for the operationalization of digital MRV systems in a country. Support is planned and executed with full country ownership and digital systems are adapted to the country needs. 		

3. INFORMATION ON TOOLS AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

- UNDP – Climate Promise Knowledge Product (2023): [Enhancing Climate Change Transparency: how developing countries are taking action](#)

United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

UNEP, serving as GEF's (Global Environment Facility) Implementing Agency (IA) supports developing country Parties to strengthen their institutional capacities and reporting systems under the Convention & Paris Agreement through: -

1. The Global support initiative - delivered through the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency – Global Support Programme (CBIT-GSP) and executed by UNEP-CCC.
2. Two types of ETF national initiatives, executed by National Governments i.e.: -
 - i. Reporting under the Convention/Paris Agreement through preparation of National Communications (NCs); Biennial Update Reports (BURs) and Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs)
 - ii. Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency.

Personnel Contacts & Website links to the initiatives:

1. **Global Support Initiative:** - The Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency – Global Support Programme (CBIT-GSP), funded by the GEF, and executed by UNEP-CCC

Web page : <https://climate-transparency-platform.org/> & <https://unepccc.org/project/the-capacity-building-initiative-for-transparency-global-support-programme-cbit-gsp/>

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2. **National-level projects/Initiatives on Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF), funded by the GEF, and executed through National Governments**

Webpage: Climate Transparency page on the UNEP website (<https://www.unep.org/topics/climate-action/climate-transparency>),

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A. DESCRIPTION OF GLOBAL SUPPORT SERVICES:

The CBIT-GSP aims to provide streamlined support and capacity building at the country, regional, and global level to enable Non-Annex I countries under the UNFCCC (United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change) and developing countries under the Paris Agreement to better respond to reporting requirements and to catalyze increased ambition within country NDCs (Nationally Determined Contributions) to contribute to the stated temperature goal of well below 2 degrees and if possible 1.5 degrees.

Type of support available	Brief description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
GLOBAL SUPPORT ON ETF	Coordination of Transparency Networks ten Transparency Networks , that aim to facilitate south-south learning and exchange, primarily through bilateral and multilateral cooperation. The network activities include regional trainings, experience-sharing webinars, virtual workshops, and direct technical support activities to countries based on their priorities and needs.	All developing countries that are eligible for GEF support	Until 2026
	The Climate Transparency Platform; - A one-stop shop for climate transparency; - Climate Transparency Platform that provides an overview of the latest events, news, knowledge products, and encourages information sharing and exchange amongst transparency practitioners. The platform has dedicated country-profiles, which include an overview of their submitted transparency reports and ongoing projects in the respective developing countries, notably CBIT and Enabling Activity projects. Countries can also request transparency support through the dedicated Request for Support functionality on the Platform. The Knowledge Centre of the Climate Transparency Platform contains everything from case studies to guidelines, offering a comprehensive and diverse range of knowledge products that can help build capacity and facilitate learning for policymakers, practitioners, and experts	The Climate Transparency Platform is open to all, and anyone can register on the Platform here .	Until 2026
	In-Country Technical Support: The team can offer a range of support services to countries, as requested, through the platform. These include: - support for NDC (Nationally Determined Contributions) indicator development, BTR (Biennial Transparency Reporting) Roadmap development and training on IPCC guidelines and software, among others.	All developing countries that are eligible for GEF support	Until 2026
	Quality Review of Transparency Reports Under the CBIT-GSP, countries can get their draft transparency reports (National Communications, National Inventory Reports, Biennial Update/Transparency Reports) reviewed by a team of technical experts, prior to the submission to the UNFCCC.	All developing countries that are eligible for GEF support	Until 2026

Type of support available	Brief description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
	Knowledge Products under development include: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Guidance on National Inventory Reports, - Guidance on NDC Tracking. - Guidance on Adaptation Reporting. - Self-Assessment Tool on countries' ETF capacity gaps. - Networks good Practice Briefs from countries in various Transparency Networks highlighting different transparency practices around the globe, e.g., on establishing institutional arrangements 	Knowledge products will be available in the Transparency Platform here	Until 2026

B. DESCRIPTION OF NATIONAL BTR PROJECTS

UNEP is currently supporting ninety countries in their preparation of NCs, BURs, and BTRs under the Convention. The country-list provided herein is limited to UNEP's portfolio on BTRs which currently stands at 63 country projects, out of which 9 projects are still in the proposal phase (*highlighted in grey*). The complete portfolio of NCs/BURs/BTRs and CBIT will be presented during the regional workshops.

Type of support available	Brief description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
National BTR Projects	Africa (34): Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Comoros, Cote d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Eswatini, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea – Bissau, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mongolia, <i>Mozambique</i> , Niger, Qatar, Rwanda, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia & Zimbabwe	All developing countries that are eligible for GEF support	Continuous; - as and when request is received from Parties (Submissions to GEF on a rolling basis).
	Asia and the Pacific (15): Bangladesh, Cambodia, Fiji, Iraq, Kiribati, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, <i>Qatar</i> , Solomon Islands, <i>Turkmenistan</i> , <i>Tuvalu</i> , Uzbekistan, Vanuatu & Vietnam		
	LAC (12): Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Belize, <i>Dominica</i> , Dominican Republic, Ecuador, <i>Grenada</i> , Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, <i>Saint Vincent & Grenadines</i> & <i>Trinidad and Tobago</i> .		
	Central And Eastern Europe (2): Azerbaijan & Republic of Moldova.		

C. DESCRIPTION OF NATIONAL CBITs PROJECTS

UNEP's current CBIT portfolio comprises 39 country projects, of which 14 countries projects are under proposal phase and have been highlighted *in grey-color*, 25 are under implementation. The country list is clustered to align with the different regional workshops.

Title/type of support available	Brief description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
National CBIT projects	Africa (13): South Africa, Eswatini, Burkina Faso, Togo, Sierra Leone, Malawi, Zimbabwe, Cameroon, Lesotho, Burundi, Mauritania, Tanzania, <i>Senegal</i>	All developing countries that are eligible for GEF support	Continuous; - as and when request is received from Parties (Submissions to GEF on a rolling basis).
	Asia and the Pacific (13): Lao PDR, Maldives, Fiji, Thailand, Malaysia, <i>Cook Islands, Marshal Islands, Palau, Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, Kiribati, Niue</i>		
	LAC (11): Argentina, Brazil, Trinidad & Tobago, Antigua & Barbuda, Ecuador, Honduras, Paraguay, Panama, Belize, Dominican Republic, & Caribbean multi-country*		
	Central And Eastern Europe (2): Azerbaijan, Georgia.		

*Caribbean multi-country CBIT: We are in discussions with countries to submit a PIF later this year.

Parties

Belgium

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency: Belgium (FPS Health, Food Chain Safety and Environment & Belgium FPS Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation), multilateral

Name of the initiatives:

- 1) Project “Strengthen the capacity of developing countries to prepare and manage national greenhouse gas inventories as a basis for effective transparency framework under the Paris Agreement” (Energy + Non-Energy workstream) → through UNFCCC Secretariat
- 2) Enhancing climate transparency (ECT) in developing countries - a contribution to the UNDP Climate Promise → through UNDP and partners

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2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Capacity-building (project UNFCCC Sec, see above)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Assist developing countries to develop and maintain sustainable national GHG inventory management systems and apply the 2006 Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) guidelines for national GHG inventories to serve as a basis for effective implementation of the Enhanced Transparency Framework under the Paris Agreement- Provide technical support to developing countries to improve their national energy statistics and energy balances in order to meet the reporting requirements with regard to GHG inventories and mitigation under the enhanced transparency framework (ETF) of the Paris Agreement	All developing countries, upon request. Belgium particularly encourages its partner countries and African LDCs to request that support.	BE contribution: 2021-2025

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Capacity-building (project UNDP Climate Promise, see above)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This initiative provides comprehensive capacity-building support on climate data and transparency to meet the requirements of the ETF under the Paris Agreement and to foster South/South exchanges among countries. - Concretely, it supports developing countries to strengthen their MRV systems and track the implementation of their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), on the road towards the ETF. 	French and Portuguese speaking countries of the PATPA (Partenariat pour la Transparence dans l'Accord de Paris). It currently supports 35 countries	BE contribution: 2021-2025

3. INFORMATION ON TOOLS AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

- 1) Project “Strengthen the capacity of developing countries to prepare and manage national greenhouse gas inventories as a basis for effective transparency framework under the Paris Agreement”, UNFCCC Secretariat
Several tools and technical support are built in the context of this project:
 - A tool to support GHG data collection and management to facilitate the development of transparent GHG inventories in developing countries. The tool is made freely available to developing countries.
 - A mitigation tool based on the IPCC software. The mitigation tool is available, building upon the IPCC methodologies, to design emission scenarios based on the national GHG inventories, linking individual policies and measures with national emission pathways, able to track the progress of implementation of the NDCs consistently with IPCC best practices
 - Cooperation with the Moja global team, on the organization of training of developing country Parties on the use of the Full Lands Integration Tool (FLINT) (workshops + training materials).
 - An IT tool is established to support the implementation of work for national energy statistics and balances through secure exchange of confidential information. A dedicated IT tool is available and regularly maintained to ensure the sharing of confidential information between Parties and the UNFCCC Secretariat.
 - Training materials for national energy statistics and balances are developed and tailored by the UNFCCC Secretariat in cooperation with the IEA and the UNSD
- 2) Enhancing climate transparency (ECT) in developing countries - a contribution to the UNDP Climate Promise, UNDP
The transparency aspect of the UNDP climate promise includes guidance documents published online (<https://climatepromise.undp.org/what-we-do/areas-of-work/transparency>) and supports in designing and using key tools to enhance transparency (as accounting tools, modelling tools, repository tools and online MRV tools). A number of tools and methodologies are also designed for subsector, as AFOLU, energy, etc. This includes regular trainings of local experts to gain the knowledge on how to properly use the tools and models.

Canada

Multilateral:

- **Initiative for Climate Action Transparency (climateactiontransparency.org):** Canada is a funding partner and member of ICAT's donor steering committee. ICAT provides countries with tailored support and practical tools and methodologies to build the robust transparency frameworks needed for effective climate action in sync with national development priorities.

Bilateral:

- **Climate Action Africa (climateactionafrica.ca):** Expert deployment mechanism for targeted short-term technical capacity assistance in Sub-Saharan Africa. Deploys Canadian climate change experts to partner with governments, NGOs, the private sector, civil society organizations and post-secondary institutions in support of implementing the Paris Agreement. Climate governance channel includes MRV, BTR and NDC support through projects up to one year in duration and a maximum value of CAD\$300,000. Application via form on website.
- **Technical peer-to-peer dialogues:** Technical experts from the federal department of Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) welcome bilateral dialogues on an ad hoc basis to exchange best practices and lessons learned from preparation of past reporting to the UNFCCC (e.g., BR,NC,NIR). For example, ECCC recently held a technical exchange with colleagues from the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, Republic of South Africa. Contact: Adam Priban (adam.priban@ec.gc.ca), Canada's UNFCCC Transparency lead.

Japan

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: Ministry of the Environment, Japan

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2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Workshop on Greenhouse Gas Inventories in Asia (WGIA)	WGIA is a workshop to assist countries in Asia in improving the quality of their greenhouse gas inventories and building capacity for inventory preparation by promoting the exchange of information and experiences obtained in the region. https://www.nies.go.jp/gio/en/wgia/index.html	Countries in the Asia region	Every year since 2003
Mutual Learning Program for Enhanced Transparency (MLP)	Mutual Learning Program for Enhanced Transparency (MLP) is a peer-to-peer learning activity by pairing countries to deep dive into a technical discussion to improve and enhance the understanding of reporting mitigation actions and tracking NDC under Article 13 of the Paris Agreement for preparing future biennial transparency reports (BTRs). https://www.iges.or.jp/en/projects/transparency	All countries (Appx. 5-6 countries in a year)	Every year since 2020 (One-year basis)
Support Initiative on GHG inventories in BTR	MOEJ supports developing countries to enhance their reporting capacities for the preparation of GHG inventory in a sustainable and timely manner. The supports include all the processes of GHG inventory preparation, such as the enhancement of institutional arrangements, development of methodologies, activity data, and emission factors used for the estimation, support for documentation and archiving, and provision of technical knowledge.	2 countries per year	Start from 2024
Promote the implementation of the Paris Agreement	Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) supports central and local governments by strengthening their technical capacities for developing and/or updating, implementing and monitoring their climate change policies and strategies, and for preparing BTRs. https://www.jica.go.jp/english/activities/issues/climate/index.html	JICA's partner countries	

Republic of Korea

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Research Center of Korea (GIR) in collaboration with UN Climate Change Secretariat

Webpage: <https://sites.google.com/view/unfcccgircastt/notification>

Contact details: Milan Oh (Ms.) / mloh88@korea.kr

2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
UNFCCC-GIR-CASTT Programme on Greenhouse Gases / Technical support, Capacity-building	A 3-week in-person training programme on the overall GHG inventory with topics on GHG estimation per IPCC sector (energy, IPPU, AFOLU and waste), emission projections and relevant guidelines.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Current government officials, consultant and researchers of UNFCCC Non-Annex I Parties who are involved in preparing national GHG inventory- Entry- to mid-level national experts- Intermediate or advanced level of English proficiency (as the whole training is conducted in English)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Annually- Application in early April- Training in late July-September

United States

This section contains information on supports provided by:

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Transparency Accelerator Initiative (page 20); and
- U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)/ Transparency through Emissions Accounting and Reporting for Wetlands/Blue Carbon Inventory Project (page 22).

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Transparency Accelerator Initiative

Webpage: <https://www.epa.gov/ghgemissions/capacity-building-national-greenhouse-gas-inventories>

Contact details: ghgi.transparency@epa.gov

2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
GHG Inventories	Support countries with cross-cutting national inventory management system support by establishing or strengthening institutional arrangements, and development and use of GHG emission estimation tools and data collection systems.	Non-annex I countries (No application necessary)	Rolling basis
NDC Tracking	Support tracking of the implementation of policies and measures, identification of qualitative and quantitative indicators for tracking NDC progress, and GHG inventory improvements for use as an indicator.	Non-annex I countries (No application necessary)	Rolling basis
GHG Projections	Scoping capacity building needs for GHG emissions and removals projections development along with identifying projections modeling frameworks and providing training on the use of projection tools.	Non-annex I countries (No application necessary)	Rolling basis

3. INFORMATION ON TOOLS AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

- **Toolkit for Building National GHG Inventory Systems** – The *Toolkit* is composed of seven templates that can be adapted to reflect national circumstances and once completed, can be compiled into a National GHG Inventory System Manual. This *Toolkit* is consistent with IPCC “good practice,” the *2006 IPCC Guidelines*, and the latest United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) transparency requirements. The purpose of the *Toolkit* is to help national inventory compilers develop, customize, and advance a national GHG inventory system that suits their national circumstances. The *Toolkit* templates are publicly available and can be downloaded on the US EPA website in English. French and Spanish versions of the *Toolkit* templates are also **available upon request**.
- **Agriculture and Land Use Greenhouse Gas Inventory (ALU) Software** – Developed by the US EPA and Colorado State University to guide inventory compilers through the process of estimating GHG emissions and removals related to agricultural and forestry activities. This software is based on the methods in the *2006 IPCC Guidelines* and simplifies the inventory development process by dividing the analysis into separate steps to facilitate the:
 - Compilation of activity data,
 - Assignment of emission factors, and
 - Completion of emission calculations.

To ensure data integrity, this software also has internal quality control checks. In addition to inventory development, this software is designed to support an evaluation of mitigation potentials using the inventory data as a baseline for projecting emission trends associated with management alternatives. The ALU software is **available for download upon request**.



U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)/ Transparency through Emissions Accounting and Reporting for Wetlands/Blue Carbon Inventory Project

Webpage: NOAA Blue Carbon Inventory Project <<https://cpo.noaa.gov/publication/noaa-blue-carbon-inventory-project/>>

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2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
NOAA Blue Carbon Inventory Project	<p>By supporting the accurate and transparent tracking and reporting of coastal blue carbon in national inventories, the NOAA Blue Carbon Inventory Project seeks to enhance the co-benefits of coastal ecosystems for mitigation and adaptation in partner countries and regions. The NOAA Blue Carbon Inventory Project addresses the co-benefits of coastal blue carbon by providing capacity building and technical support around two topics:</p> <p>1) Inclusion of coastal blue carbon ecosystems in National Greenhouse Gas Inventories; and</p> <p>2) The long-term sustainable management of coastal blue carbon ecosystems in the context of marine spatial and resilience planning.</p> <p>The project is part of the Transparency Accelerator for Greenhouse Gas Inventories, a broader U.S. program, and is intended to advance the development of emissions mitigation, coastal resource management, and resilience strategies that reflect the value of coastal ecosystems in carbon storage and sequestration.</p>	Governments, and their partners, in approved partner countries	Through March, 2028

Constituted bodies and UNFCCC secretariat

Consultative Group of Experts (CGE)

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: Consultative Group of Experts (CGE)

Webpage: <https://unfccc.int/CGE>

Contact details: CGEsupport@unfccc.int

2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
CGE hands-on training workshops/technical assistance and capacity building support	Annual series of regional hands-on training workshops on selected topics to enhance the technical capacity of experts from developing country Parties to implement the existing MRV arrangements and the ETF.	Transparency experts from developing countries nominated by national focal points.	On an ongoing basis.
CGE webinars/technical assistance and capacity building support	Annual series of webinars on selected topics to enhance the technical capacity of experts from developing country Parties to implement the existing MRV arrangements and the ETF. Recordings of past webinars are available here .	Public event, call for registration will be posted on the CGE webpage and LinkedIn transparency group .	On an ongoing basis.
CGE side events at SB sessions	Side events at SB sessions to bring together relevant stakeholders to share views on selected transparency topics, share information on CGE's support and seek feedback on CGE's work.	Public side event at SB sessions, information will be available on UNFCCC side event page , CGE webpage and LinkedIn transparency group .	At SB sessions
CGE informal forums	Informal forums to bring together relevant stakeholders to share views on selected transparency topics, share information on CGE's support and seek feedback on CGE's work.	Public online event, call for registration will be posted on the CGE webpage and LinkedIn transparency group .	On an ongoing basis.

3. INFORMATION ON TOOLS AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

- [Transparency needs and gaps assessment reports](#)
- [Technical handbook for developing country Parties on preparing for implementation of the enhanced transparency framework under the Paris Agreement](#), available in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish and Portuguese
- [CGE adaptation material for ETF reporting](#)
- [CGE mitigation materials for ETF reporting](#)
- [CGE Toolbox on Institutional Arrangements](#). Includes:
 - [Handbook in English, Spanish, French, Arabic, Chinese and Russian](#);
 - [Compilation of country experiences and lessons learned](#);
 - [Compilation of references to other relevant technical resources](#);
 - [Animations on institutional arrangements](#).
- Video animations and infographics on MRV and ETF arrangements
 - [1 animation on the benefits of national reporting](#)
 - [4 short animations on the ETF](#) (in Arabic, English, French, Russian and Spanish)
 - [2 short animations on institutional arrangements](#)
 - [Infographics on key aspects of ETF](#)

UNFCCC secretariat

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: UNFCCC secretariat

Webpages:

- [CGE/ETF support](#); [UNFCCC Climate Action and Support Transparency Training \(UNFCCC-CASTT\)](#); [GHG support](#)
- [Training programme of experts for review under the Paris Agreement](#)
- Technical training workshops on ETF reporting tools: [ETF Reporting Tools | UNFCCC](#)

Contact details:

- Technical training workshops and webinars on ETF, institutional arrangements and BTRs: *Tugba Icmeli* (ticmeli@unfccc.int)
- UNFCCC Climate Action and Support Transparency Training (UNFCCC-CASTT)
 - Adaptation Academy on vulnerability and adaptation assessment: ETFsupport@unfccc.int
 - Blended training on ETF: ETFsupport@unfccc.int
 - UNFCCC-GIR-CASTT: *Milan Oh (Ms.)* / mloh88@korea.kr
- GHG Support unit: GHGCapacityBuilding@unfccc.int
- Training programme of experts for review under the Paris Agreement: *Anil Raut*, email: ARaut@unfccc.int; Transparency-Expert-training@unfccc.int
- Technical training workshops in using the ETF reporting tools: *Vlad Trusca* (Vtrusca@unfccc.int), *Gopal Raj Joshi* (Gjoshi@unfccc.int), *Lornaliza Kogler* (Lkogler@unfccc.int)

2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Technical training workshops and webinars on ETF, institutional arrangements and BTRs			
Technical training workshops and webinars	Technical assistance to developing country Parties in preparing their BTRs, establishing sustainable institutional arrangements, promoting exchange of information, lessons learned and experiences.	Developing country Parties.	Based on demand and resource availability
UNFCCC Climate Action and Support Transparency Training (UNFCCC-CASTT)			
Adaptation Academy	A training programme, with a focus on national climate change assessments, and specifically in the areas of vulnerability and adaptation assessments, as well as the associated reporting under the ETF.	Early to mid-career professionals from developing country Parties.	Annually, subject to resource availability.

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
ETF blended course	A hybrid training programme with in-person and online components, aimed at empowering policymakers, government officials and national experts in understanding and implementing the ETF.	Senior government officials and technical practitioners from developing country Parties.	Annually, subject to resource availability.
UNFCCC-GIR-CASTT Programme on Greenhouse Gases	A 3-week in-person training programme on the overall GHG inventory with topics on GHG estimation per IPCC sector (energy, IPPU, AFOLU and waste), emission projection and relevant guidelines	Current government officials, consultant and researchers from developing country Parties.	Annually.
<u>GHG support</u>			
Quality Assurance of national GHG inventory management systems and GHG inventories.	Aims to improve GHG inventory management systems (GHG-IMS), GHG inventories of developing countries. Voluntary, upon request and strictly confidential. Preparatory phase followed by 5-days in-country workshop. Findings/comments, and recommendations are documented in 200+ pages QA Template. Possibility to benefit from follow-up technical support to implement key recommendations from the QA.	All developing countries	Always available – subject to availability of resources.
Quality Assurance of energy information management systems and energy statistics (Energy QA).	Aims to improve energy information management systems (EIMS) and energy statistics of developing countries. Voluntary, upon request and strictly confidential (only provided following a GHG QA). Preparatory phase followed by 4 days in-country workshop on EIMS, energy statistics, energy balance. Findings/comments, and recommendations are documented in 70+ pages QA Template. Followed by remote technical support to address key thematic areas identified from the QA initial workshop (in collaboration with the IEA and UN Statistics Division).	All developing countries	Always available – subject to availability of resources.
Regional Workshop on setting up and maintenance of sustainable national GHG-IMS and use of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for national GHG inventories.	5-days regional Workshops (Africa; Asia-Pacific and Eastern Europe; Latin America and the Caribbean) with the collaboration of partners (IPCC, US-EPA, etc.) – provides training sessions on reporting requirements, setting-up/maintenance of GHG-IMS (institutional, legal, procedural arrangements), 2006 IPCC Guidelines for national GHG inventories, IPCC inventory software and other relevant tools.	All developing countries	Subject to availability of resources.

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
E-learning and certification programme	Online training courses on 2006 IPCC Guidelines, Wetlands supplement and examination – in collaboration with GHG-Management Institute. Increases the pool of experts from developing countries to the UNFCCC Roster of Experts.	All developing countries	Subject to availability of resources.
Thematic workshops/webinars	Key topics: uncertainty analysis in national GHG inventories; soil organic carbon to support GHG inventories; use of data collection and management tool (SAGE); mitigation tool (MITICA); COPERT model.	All developing countries	Webinars at least once a year. In-person workshops subject to availability of resources.
GHG Help Desk	Interactive communication platform to provide continued support to developing countries on GHG inventory topics. Free registration is required: https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/transparency-and-reporting/support-for-developing-countries/ghg-support/ghg-help-desk	All developing countries	Always available – users can pose questions anytime in different languages.
Training programme of experts for review under the Paris Agreement			
Training for BTR Expert Reviewers	The Training Programme for reviewers of the biennial transparency reports (BTRs) aims to familiarize experts with the essential reporting elements and requirements of the ETF as well as the tools available to help them prepare for the Technical Expert Review (TER).	Transparency experts, nominated to the Roster of Experts, and interested in becoming eligible to participate in the TER under the ETF.	Throughout the year. Examination schedule is available on the webpage.
Technical training workshops in using the ETF reporting tools ETF Reporting Tools UNFCCC			
Technical training workshops in using the ETF reporting tools	The secretariat is collaborating with a diverse range of organizations and partners to host frequent technical training workshops, available both online and in-person, spanning various regions. These workshops are designed to offer interactive, hands-on sessions on functionalities of the reporting tools, engaging experts from Parties. They aim to foster peer learning and the exchange of experiences among experts from different Parties, focusing on the effective use of reporting tools and their integration into national inventory systems.	Partners proactively identify and extend invitations to participants from Parties directly involved in the preparation and submission of biennial transparency reports, national inventory documents, and the associated common reporting tables and tabular formats.	The scheduling of training workshops is distributed across the year. For detailed information, please consult the transparency calendars on the UNFCCC website.

3. INFORMATION ON TOOLS AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

ETF technical materials:

- <https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/transparency-and-reporting/support-for-developing-countries/consultative-group-of-experts/enhanced-transparency-framework-technical-material>

GHG support:

- IPCC inventory software for national GHG inventories
- Sectoral Activity data for GHG Emissions (SAGE)
- Mitigation-Inventory Tool for Integrated Climate Action (MITICA)
- US-EPA GHG Inventory System Templates
- Full Lands Integration Tool (FLINT)
- Technical paper on *UNFCCC capacity-building activities on greenhouse gas inventories developed and implemented by the UNFCCC secretariat to support developing countries in effectively implementing the enhanced transparency framework under the Paris Agreement* (UNFCCC 2022)
- COPERT model to improve statistics and GHG emissions estimates from road transport.

(for more information on the tools and guidance documents, please visit <https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/transparency-and-reporting/support-for-developing-countries/ghg-support#TOOLS-and-SOFTWARE->)

Agencies/programmes/initiatives

Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI)

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

- **Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI)** / Climate Action & Inclusive Development (CAID)
- **Programme:** MRV, Transparency, and NDC Enhancement
- **Webpage:** <https://gggi.org>
- **Contact details:** GGGI MRV Group (MRV@gggi.org)

2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

GGGI is providing technical support to the governments of developing countries on their establishment of (sub)national MRV system and NDC implementation acceleration. The services GGGI MRV experts are providing is as below:

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Technical support	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gap analysis reports on existing vs. desired Transparency systems; analysis reports.• Permanent institutional arrangements; institutional framework documents.• Define legal framework for data and information collection, laws and regulations.• Decide data and information collection, transfer, reporting, and archiving platform; digital MRV system.• Create the technical reporting templates, data and information collection templates.• Develop criteria for implementing TACCC principles in key categories.• Define QA/QC methods and procedures.• Peer review of national reports.	Developing country Parties	Ongoing basis, subject to availability of resources.
Capacity building	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consultations with relevant stakeholders• Training workshop targeted to national focal point and coordinators, to enhance their understanding on methodologies, tools, transparency, etc.		

3. Information on tools and technical guidance documents

The MRV team at GGGI is providing tailored guidance to Parties for preparing their BTRs to enhance sustainable institutional capacity and national GHG management and reporting systems. Our service encompasses overall application process for transparency-related projects, from (sub)national to sector-specific MRV system and Transparency within their governments. At the same time, GGGI's CAID unit is currently developing tools and technical guidance to support NDC 3.0 enhancement, in consultation with Member States.

Greenhouse Gas Management Institute (GHGMI)

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: Greenhouse Gas Management Institute (GHGMI)

Webpage: <https://ghginstitute.org/>

Contact details: Molly White, molly.white@ghginstitute.org

2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

The Greenhouse Gas Management Institute (GHGMI) is a capacity building and technical support provider available to Parties and financial support providers for implementation of the enhanced transparency framework and the reporting of biennial transparency reports and national inventory reports.

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Capacity Building and Technical Support	Design and delivery of regional, country-driven partnerships or “hubs”, to cooperatively address institutional and technical challenges through shared resourcing of expert excellence and mentoring, to address underlying climate transparency and mitigation issues	Regional: Caribbean Cooperative MRV Hub, and ICAT Regional Climate Action Transparency Hubs (Latin America and Central Asia)	Ongoing, conducted based on resource availability
Capacity Building	Online courses, available 24/7; on IPCC guidelines for national inventories, emission reduction projects, corporate accounting, verification of inventories and projects (all sectors)	Global (Individual and country enrollment)	Ongoing, conducted based on resource availability
Capacity Building	In-person and virtual greenhouse gas inventory capacity building, including training on the preparation, measurement, reporting, and verification of high-quality national GHG inventories (all sectors)	Global	Ongoing, conducted based on resource availability
Capacity Building	In-person and virtual greenhouse gas emission reduction project capacity building, including training on regulatory and voluntary standards, methods, and ETS and A6 topics (all sectors)	Global	Ongoing, conducted based on resource availability
Capacity Building	In-person and virtual workshop delivery on greenhouse gas inventory projections, mitigation assessments, NDC indicator measurement, reporting, tracking, and mitigation policy and action evaluation (all sectors)	Global	Ongoing, conducted based on resource availability

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Capacity Building	GHG measurement tool training, including tool selection, parameterization, data-entry, interpretation and communication of results (e.g. IPCC software, SAGE, LEAP, GACMO, U.S. EPA Templates, etc.)	Global	Ongoing, conducted based on resource availability
Technical Support	Sectoral Activity Data for GHG Emissions (SAGE) tool provides information management for gathering, processing, and documenting of activity data for GHG inventories and projections	Global	Ongoing, conducted based on resource availability
Technical Support	MRV system and information management component needs, gaps, documentation, development, and evaluation	Global	Ongoing, conducted based on resource availability

3. INFORMATION ON TOOLS AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

Cooperative MRV Hubs: <https://ghginstitute.org/mrvhub/>

Sectoral Activity data for GHG Emissions (SAGE): <https://ghginstitute.org/sage/>

Online Courses: <https://ghginstitute.org/courses/>

In-person and Virtual Training: <https://ghginstitute.org/workshops/>

Initiative for Climate Action Transparency (ICAT)/UNOPS

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: Initiative for Climate Action Transparency (ICAT)/UNOPS

Webpage: <https://climateactiontransparency.org/>

Contact details: icat@unops.org

2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Direct country support: Financial support, technical support and capacity building support.	ICAT delivers hands-on support tailored to cover a country's transparency needs according to national priorities: Country support is delivered through focused and time-bound (12 to 18 months) projects with resources provided for work by national experts or a national expert institution, training activities, stakeholder workshops and related activities to build capacity and develop parts of the national transparency framework. There is dedicated international expert advice supporting the activities at the national level. ICAT collaborates with partner countries to design the project workplan or to build it from a menu of project modules. Each module is aimed at addressing one or several requirements under the ETF. The modules can be combined and tailored to address countries' needs and priorities. More information on modules and country support offer can be found on ICAT's website .	Developing countries that are ODA eligible	Until 31 Dec. 2025
The ICAT Toolbox: Capacity building support	ICAT develops and deploys a suite of innovative and open-source tools, methodologies and guides that help countries advance their transparency efforts: ICAT's toolbox consists of over 40 guides and tools, including mitigation policy assessment guides and related tools, data management tools, and impact assessment tools. Additional guides and tools cover transparency aspects related to topics such as adaptation, loss and damage, Article 6, air pollution, climate finance, just transitions, and gender.	All countries	ICAT's toolbox is free to use & accessible on ICAT's website

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Regional Climate Action Transparency Hubs: Financial support, technical support and capacity building support.	<p>ICAT has established three regional hubs through which it can deliver support at the regional level, aiming to build capacity, including a regional center of expertise, and create a regional network to support country members in their efforts to improve/build sustainable and comprehensive transparency frameworks.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. The regional climate action transparency hub for Central African States is hosted by the Economic Community for Central African States (ECCAS). II. The regional climate action transparency hub for Central Asia is hosted by the Regional Environmental Centre for Central Asia (CAREC). III. The regional climate action transparency hub for Central America is hosted by the Central American Commission on Environment and Development (CCAD), which is the Central American Integration System (SICA's) specialized environmental body 	Member countries of regional hubs	Until Mar. 2026
Knowledge sharing: Capacity building support	<p>ICAT actively strengthens a global community of practice through a variety of knowledge exchange activities and resources: Through collaborative efforts with partner countries, regional hubs, and implementing partners, ICAT offers a variety of training and knowledge sharing activities. Resources, lessons learned and best practices from work with countries are available to access for free on the ICAT website.</p> <p>ICAT offers its partner countries resources for peer-to-peer exchange activities on their priority transparency topics.</p> <p>ICAT also developed a blended training <i>course on climate transparency and the ETF</i> in collaboration with the UNFCCC secretariat, CBIT-GSP, UNEP-CCC, and UNSSC. This blended training programme consists of a facilitated online course with e-learning modules, peer to peer discussions, and webinars with subject matter experts; and an in-person workshop. For more information, please visit this page, or sign up for ICAT's newsletter via the ICAT website.</p>	All - depending on language/region criteria	Activity- dependent

3. INFORMATION ON TOOLS AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

The ICAT Toolbox

(i) The ICAT Series of [Policy Assessment Guides](#). The series includes:

- 5 guides to assess GHG impacts in different areas and sectors (Agriculture, Renewable energy, Transport pricing, Forestry, Buildings efficiency);
- 3 Cross-cutting guides allowing for an assessment of: 1) Sustainable development impacts, 2) Transformational change potential, 3) Impacts of integrating subnational and non-state actions into national policy frameworks, and;
- 2 process guides covering: Stakeholder participation and Technical review .

(ii) A range of tools to support countries in Data Management, Projections, and Impact Assessment, including:

- [The GHG Abatement Cost Model \(GACMO\)](#);
- [The Transport Climate Action Data \(TraCAD\) Tool](#)
- [The SINAMECC system](#);
- [The COMPASS toolbox](#); and
- The **Transformational Change Toolkit** (expected release: Q2 2024)

(iii) Tools and guides to support and enhance the implementation of the ETF, including:

- Guides and tools to support the [Monitoring and Evaluation of adaptation and loss and damage](#):
 - Assessing climate change-driven losses and damages
 - Assessment tool & guide for adaptation project proposals
 - Integrating subnational and non-State actors into M&E systems for adaptation
 - [Reporting adaptation through the biennial transparency report](#);
- [Transparency for Cooperative Approaches under the Paris Agreement: A guide to navigating the links between Articles 6 and 13](#);
- [Practical guide on integrating air pollution and short-lived climate pollutants into climate change transparency frameworks](#);
- [Unfolding the reporting requirements for developing countries under the Paris Agreement's Enhanced Transparency Framework](#);
- [A road map for establishing information systems for climate action and support](#);
- [Proposed indicators for domestic MRV purposes and tracking progress of NDCs](#);
- A methodology for **Monitoring and Evaluation of Just Transitions** (expected release: mid 2024); and
- A methodology for **Tracking Climate Finance** (expected release: mid 2024).

NDC Partnership

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: NDC Partnership

Webpage: [NDC Partnership](#)

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2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Capacity building/ technical assistance	Capacity building/technical assistance in formulation and implementation NDCs	Developing country members of NDC Partnership	Based on requests by countries (current work programme runs through 2025, next work programme runs 2026-2030)

Partnership on Transparency in the Paris Agreement (PATPA)

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

Name of the agency/programme/initiative: PATPA (Partnership on Transparency in the Paris Agreement)

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2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available	Contact
Climate Helpdesk	Ad hoc support for NDCs, Long-term LEDS and transparency systems	Developing countries and government agencies. Technical and other institutions and organizations that are working directly with national governments to plan and implement their NDCs, LT-LEDS, or transparency systems, may also request support, if endorsed by the national UNFCCC focal point or the Ministry of Environment	Short-term	climate.helpdesk@giz.de Climate Helpdesk (transparency-partnership.net)
Anglophone African Regional Group	Annual regional workshops where we focus on sharing best practice, knowledge management, peer learning and capacity building, aiming to promote the exchange of experiences between Anglophone African countries.	The group is open to countries with an interest in learning about the topics of the Partnership on a peer-to-peer basis. The working language of this regional group is English.	Long-term	africanregionalgroup@patpa.net Partnership Anglophone Africa (transparency-partnership.net)
Asian Regional Group	Annual regional workshops where we focus on sharing best practice, knowledge management, peer learning and capacity building, aiming to promote the exchange of experiences between Asian countries.	The group is open to countries with an interest in learning about the topics of the Partnership on a peer-to-peer basis. The working language of this regional group is English.	Long-term	asianregionalgroup@patpa.net Partnership Asia (transparency-partnership.net)

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Latin American and Caribbean Regional Group	Annual regional workshops where we focus on sharing best practice, knowledge management, peer learning and capacity building, aiming to promote the exchange of experiences between Spanish and English-speaking countries.	The group is open to countries with an interest in learning about the topics of the Partnership on a peer-to-peer basis. The working language of this regional group is Spanish.	Long-term	lacregionalgroup@patpa.net Partnership Anglophone Africa (transparency-partnership.net)
Cluster Francophone	Annual regional workshops where we focus on sharing best practice, knowledge management, peer learning and capacity building, aiming to promote the exchange of experiences between French-speaking countries.	The group is open to countries with an interest in learning about the topics of the Partnership on a peer-to-peer basis. The working language of this regional group is French.	Long-term	clusterfrancophone@patpa.net Partnership Francophone (transparency-partnership.net)
Cluster Lusophone	Annual regional workshops where we focus on sharing best practice, knowledge management, peer learning and capacity building; aiming to promote the exchange of experiences between Portuguese-speaking countries.	The group is open to countries with an interest in learning about the topics of the Partnership on a peer-to-peer basis. The working language of this cluster is Portuguese.	Long-term	clusterlusophone@patpa.net Partnership Lusophone (transparency-partnership.net)
Global level	We organize global events, such as the Annual Partnership Retreats, the Global BTR Dialogue in 2024 and the Partnership Meetings on the margins of the SBs, where we bring representatives and technical experts from developed and developing countries together to facilitate peer-to-peer exchange and technical advice.	By invitation only		contact@transparency-partnership.net Partnership Global (transparency-partnership.net)

3. INFORMATION ON TOOLS AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

We offer a range of knowledge products and tools in different languages (ENG, ESP, FR, PORT), our latest ones are “[Benefits of Climate Transparency](#)”, [NDC Progress Indicators: a guidance for practitioners](#)”, and [explainer video on the Linkages between NDCs and Transparency](#)”.

Find here an overview of all [PATPA Knowledge Products \(transparency-partnership.net\)](https://transparency-partnership.net)

The Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)

1. PROFILE OF THE SUPPORT PROVIDER

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2. OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES

Title/type of support available	Short description	Who can apply for the support	Time for which the support is available
Mutual Learning Program for Enhanced Transparency (MLP)	The MLP is a peer-to-peer learning activity that pairs countries to conduct a deep dive into technical discussions on how to improve and fill reporting elements for tracking NDC and mitigation actions (e.g., Common tabular formats 1, 2 and 5) under Article 13 in preparation for future biennial transparency reports (BTRs). https://www.iges.or.jp/en/projects/transparency	Developing country Parties (non-Annex I Parties)	Available since 2020 (for FY 2024 support, selected countries have been contacted already)

3. INFORMATION ON TOOLS AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

The Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES) engages in transparency capacity building, mainly focusing on mitigation reporting under Article 13 and reporting under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. With support from the Ministry of Environment, Japan, IGES is implementing a [Mutual Learning Program for Enhanced Transparency \(MLP\) project](#) to support countries to improve their national reporting capacity.

The MLP is a peer-to-peer learning activity that pairs countries to conduct a deep dive into technical discussions on how to improve and enhance the understanding of reporting under Article 6 and Article 13 in preparation for future biennial transparency reports (BTRs). Since 2020, we have implemented the MLP together with other participating countries (e.g. Bangladesh, Cambodia, Chile, Indonesia, Kenya, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia and Thailand). In 2023 - 2024, IGES and UNEP-CCC, the implementing agency of the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT), have joined forces to implement the MLP for Article 13 in Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova and Uzbekistan (see [the CBIT climate transparency platform](#)).

The MLP consists of two tracks: reporting under Article 6 using [the Joint Crediting Mechanism \(JCM\)](#) as an example, and reporting mitigation actions under Article 13.

- For reporting under Article 6, MLP participants draft three types of reporting (i.e. initial report, annual information, and regular information) in accordance with the guidance on cooperative approaches referred to in Article 6.2.

- In reporting Article 13 of the MLP, similarly participants develop draft reports on mitigation actions (e.g. waste, agriculture and energy sectors) using the common tabular formats (CTF 1, 2, and 5) complying with the modalities, procedures and guidelines for the enhanced transparency framework (MPGs).

The MLP is a unique programme in which participating countries develop draft reports, review each other's reports to learn from each other's reporting contents, technical knowledge, experiences, and good practices to enhance their own reporting capacity.