

Institute for Global Environmental Strategies

The aim of the <u>Institute for Global Environmental Strategies</u> (IGES) is to achieve a new paradigm for civilization and conduct innovative policy development and strategic research for environmental measures, reflecting the results of research into political decisions for realising sustainable development both in the Asia-Pacific region and globally.

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 <u>Mutual Learning Program for Enhanced Transparency project</u>. IGES expressed interest in communicating with other actors in the countries IGES has been working in and exploring how the work can complement each other. IGES is also interested in exploring project opportunities in the Pacific.

More about the Mutual Learning Program for Enhanced Transparency (MLP):

- The Mutual Learning Program for Enhanced Transparency (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). The MLP runs over 6-7 months in total, with all discussion meetings held online. Since 2020, the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES) in cooperation with Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting Co., Ltd. (MURC) and with financial support from the Ministry of the Environment, Japan, has 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 implementing the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT) has 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 the other for 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 and agriculture sectors) using the common tabular formats 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.