BRs vs BTRs: A comparison of reported information subject to technical expert review

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How familiar are you with the similarities and differences between the BRs and the BTRs?

Strongly disagree

I'm very familiar with the requirements of both reports..

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I know a bit about BTRs, but would like to know more.

I'm only interested in BRs.

Strongly agree



Which aspect of reviewing BTR information on national circumstances and institutional arrangements do you expect will be most challenging?

How national circumstances affect GHG trends

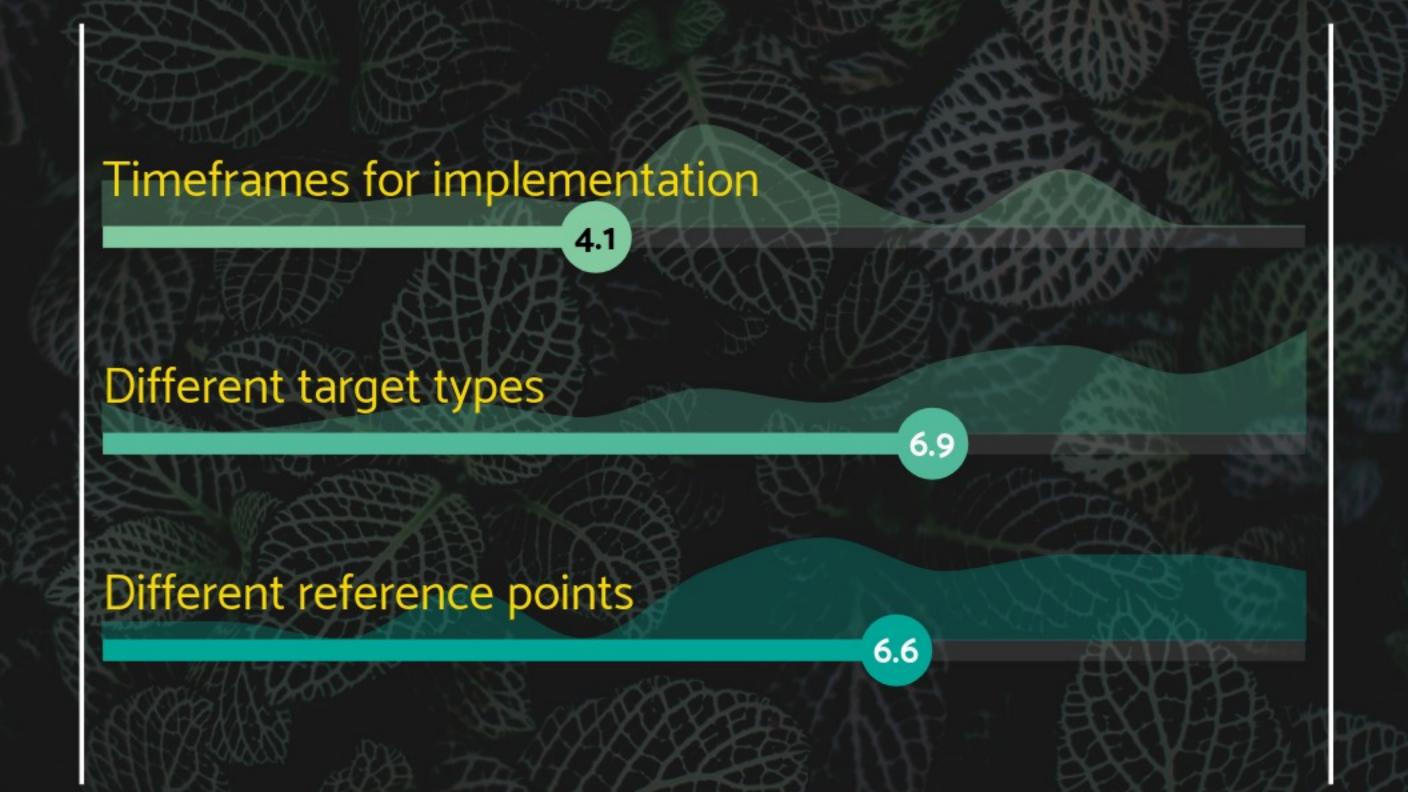
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How stakeholder engagement relates to the NDC

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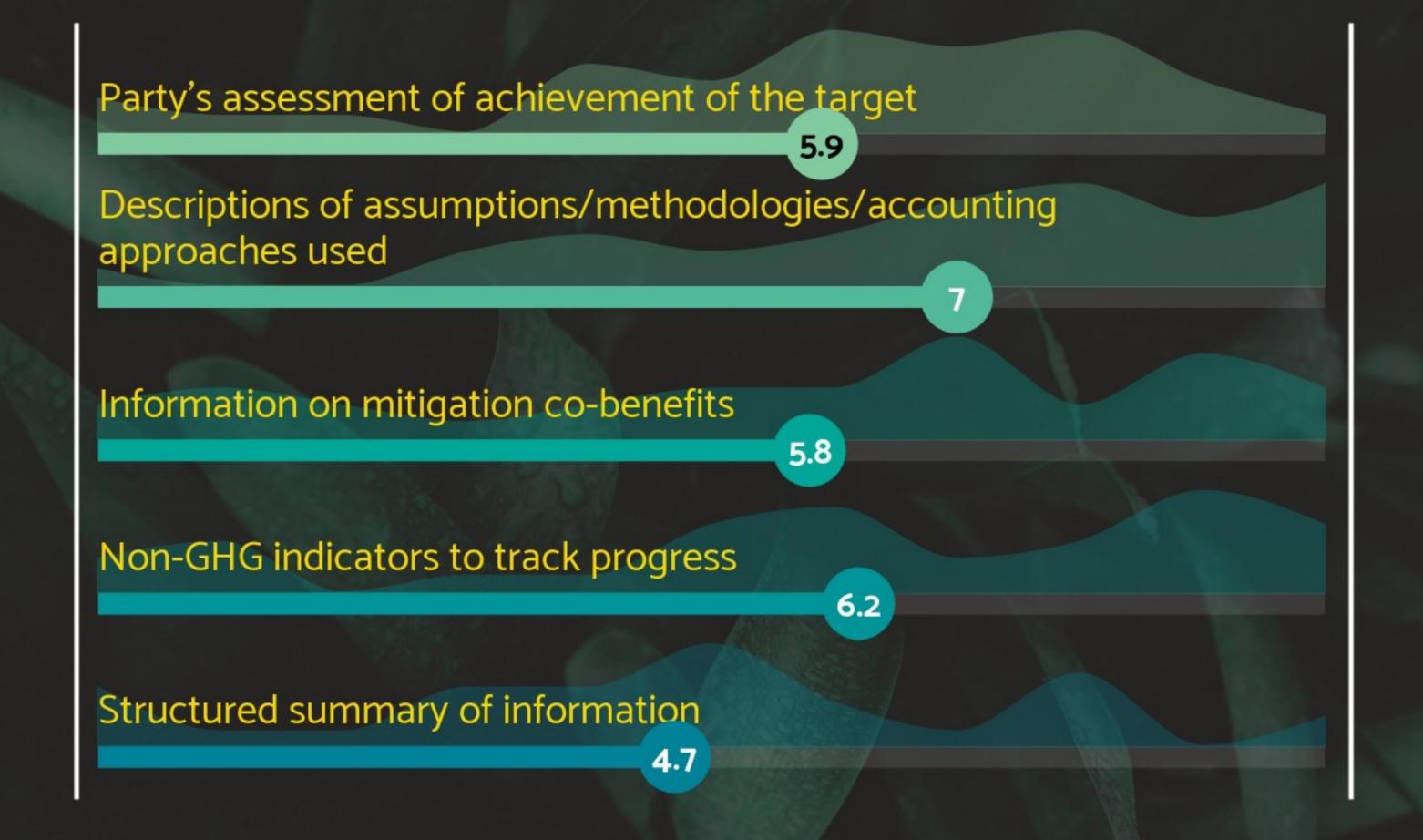


Which aspect of reviewing BTR information on the description of the NDC do you expect will be most challenging?





Which aspect of reviewing BTR information on tracking progress do you expect will be most challenging?





Which aspect of reviewing BTR information on PaMs, actions and plans do you expect will be most challenging?

Strongly disagree

Information on costs, non-mitigation benefits, interactions between measures

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Information on methodologies/assumptions used to estimate impacts

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Flexibility provisions for estimating impacts

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Strongly agree



Which aspect of reviewing BTR information on projections do you expect will be most challenging?

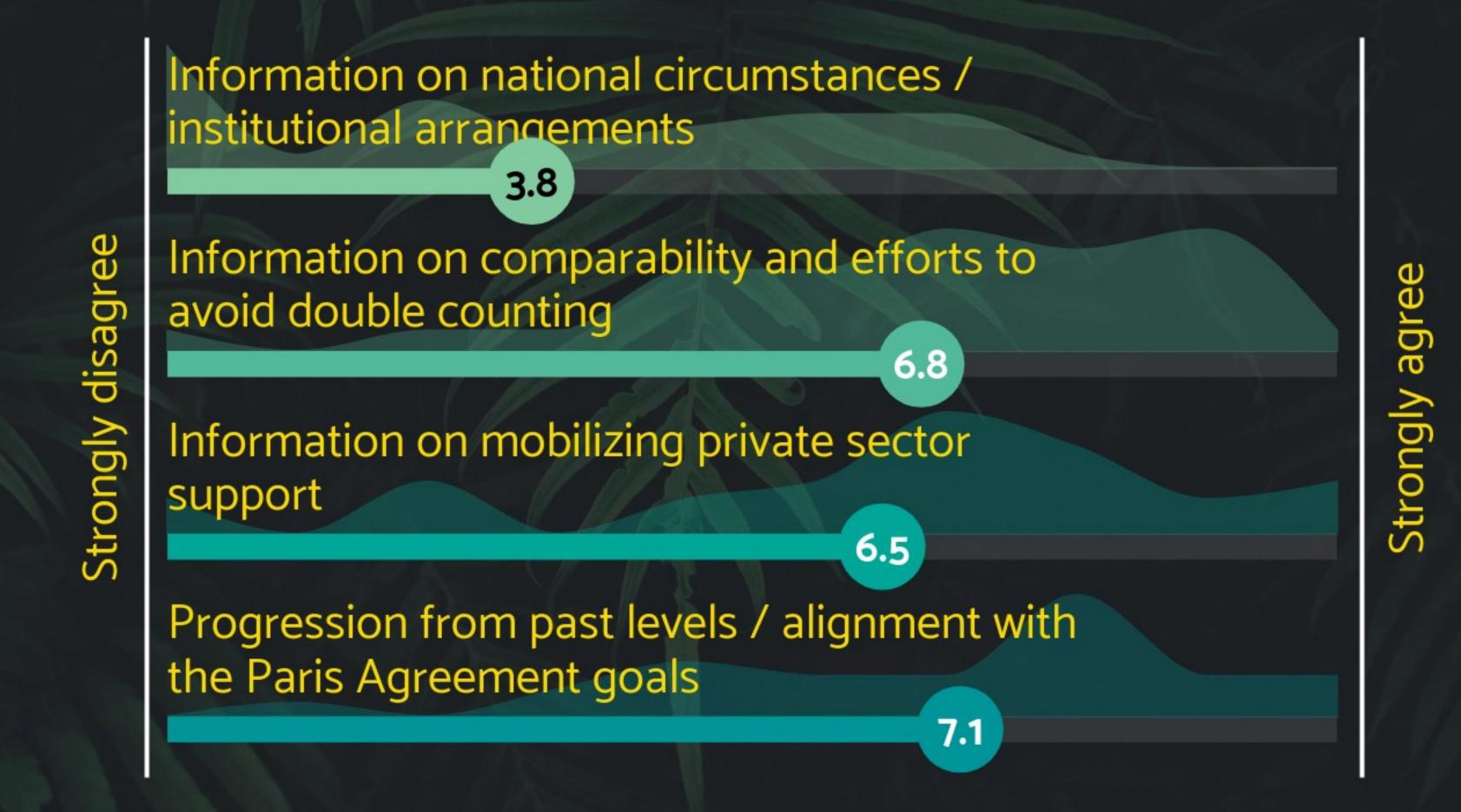
Flexibility provisions on length of projections, methodologies used, and coverage

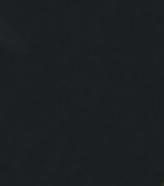
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Not using projections to assess progress (unless the Party uses a projected baseline)



Which aspect of reviewing BTR information on provision of support do you expect will be most challenging?





Developing appropriate tools Update the VTR to support BTR review

preparing and updating RPGs

Develop RPGs for BTR based on current experience, but consistent with the MPGs

develop well designed training materials

Develop relevant training programmes

sharing best practice experiences from current reviews/TA

By organizing training sessions & preparing Review tools.

trainings - short refresher modules on specific targeted topics, available in vtr or unfccc site

Develop a transition guide for reviewers, showing which reporting requirements for Parties are new and which are comparable to previously existing requirements.



Update training session for existing experts, including it in sessions for new experts.

Provide training and guidelines, using the pilot BTRs as case studies

A guidance document similar to the RPG; perhaps practice case studies/ hypotheticals for mock review?

Need to have a new (quick) course (with exam) to ensure that all reviewers are updated. Not updated reviewers are a burden for the whole ETR.

not being afraid to not please countries

Formal training

A preparation of a document that outlines the requirements and a guidance tool that provides examples of how to assess the new and different aspects

Offer capacity building courses with adequate duration to master the information before exams and periodically offer refresher courses or webinars to those already in the register

I expect there will be a wide range of approaches in BTRs to present targets (by sector, economy-wide, activity-specific...) and assess progress. I think to develop a cataogue of "good practice examples" and what to look out for, to encourage.



Well designed tools and templates, clear definition of terms, online training that can be accessed asynchronously and navigated on an on demand basis by topic.

Lead Reviewers Meeting (regular) and other open channels to have a discussion to share the experiences.

Definitions of terminologies are needed to avoid ambiguities and enhance transparency.

Make the development of background papers and gathering LR input more of a continuous process, not just at one meeting per year. Develop an online platform (sharepoint?) to encourage LRs to feed in on different topics, and send monthly updates to LR

Webinars targetted on most challenging issues but focusing each time on one chapter /topic/aspect of the review with concrete example (which could of course be fictional).

Consider regional workshops to foster local peer to peer engagement and learning, not just relying on CRs etc to exchange good practice and build the pool of reviewer and LR expertise

To complement written guidance, develop more webinars / you tube videos using expereinced and engaging LRs to present on review good practice - could be a series of different topics. This will aid parties also!

Develop the background papers EARLY, in good time ahead of the LR meetings. Be a bit more proactive to request LR input, (we need it...) and yes develop more useful interactive approaches like Mentimeter :-)

Assist the ERT to become more familiar with the Party's country-specific circumstances that relate to the reporting



As with BR, develop templates and tools for BTR review

Training

Training and guidance for all reviewers noting that not all have been involved in negotiations.

1) Continuous discussions on the MPG for the ETF in the LRs meetings2) Developing training courses to familiarize the ERT the ERT with the review process for BTRs3) Timely development and ongoing improvement of review tools by the Secretariat.

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on-line training material, also if possible, some live sessions to deepen the discussions and solving questions

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M Mentimeter

How can the Secretariat best support reviewers in developing the skills and guidance to assess the new and different aspects of BTRs?

Training

