

TRANSPARENCY UNDER THE PARIS AGREEMENT

SBSTA agenda item 2(d):
Progress on the development of the
training programme for technical experts
participating in the technical expert review
of the BTRs



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- Requested the SBSTA to develop, pursuant to the MPGs, a training programme for technical experts participating in the technical expert review (*Para 12(c)*)
- Technical experts shall complete the training programme referred to in decision 18/CMA.1, paragraph 12(c), prior to serving on a technical expert review team (*Annex, para 173*)

Decision 18/CMA.1

- Adopted the training programme for technical experts participating in the technical expert review of BTRs, as contained in its annex VII (*Para 1(e)*)
- Requested the secretariat, incorporating, as appropriate, technical advice from the CGE and LRs, to **develop the training programme** for technical experts participating in the BTR reviews, as outlined in annex VII, taking into account experience and lessons learned from developing existing training programmes under the Convention (*Para 30*)

Decision 5/CMA.3

- Requested the secretariat to **implement the training programme** for technical experts participating in the BTR reviews, as outlined in annex VII, taking into account technical advice from the CGE and LRs to the secretariat (*Para 31*)
- Make available the training courses providing a **general overview of the ETF under the Paris Agreement by 1 March 2023**, and **other courses** relating to information to be reviewed in accordance with decision 18/CMA.1, annex, paragraph 150 **by September 2023** (*Para 33*)
- Requested the secretariat to **report to the SBSTA on progress in the development of the training programme at its 57th session** and at each subsequent session until the development of the training programme has been completed (*Para 32*)

Decision 5/CMA.3

Progress on the work in developing training course materials



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Structure of the training courses as defined in annex VII of decision 5/CMA.3



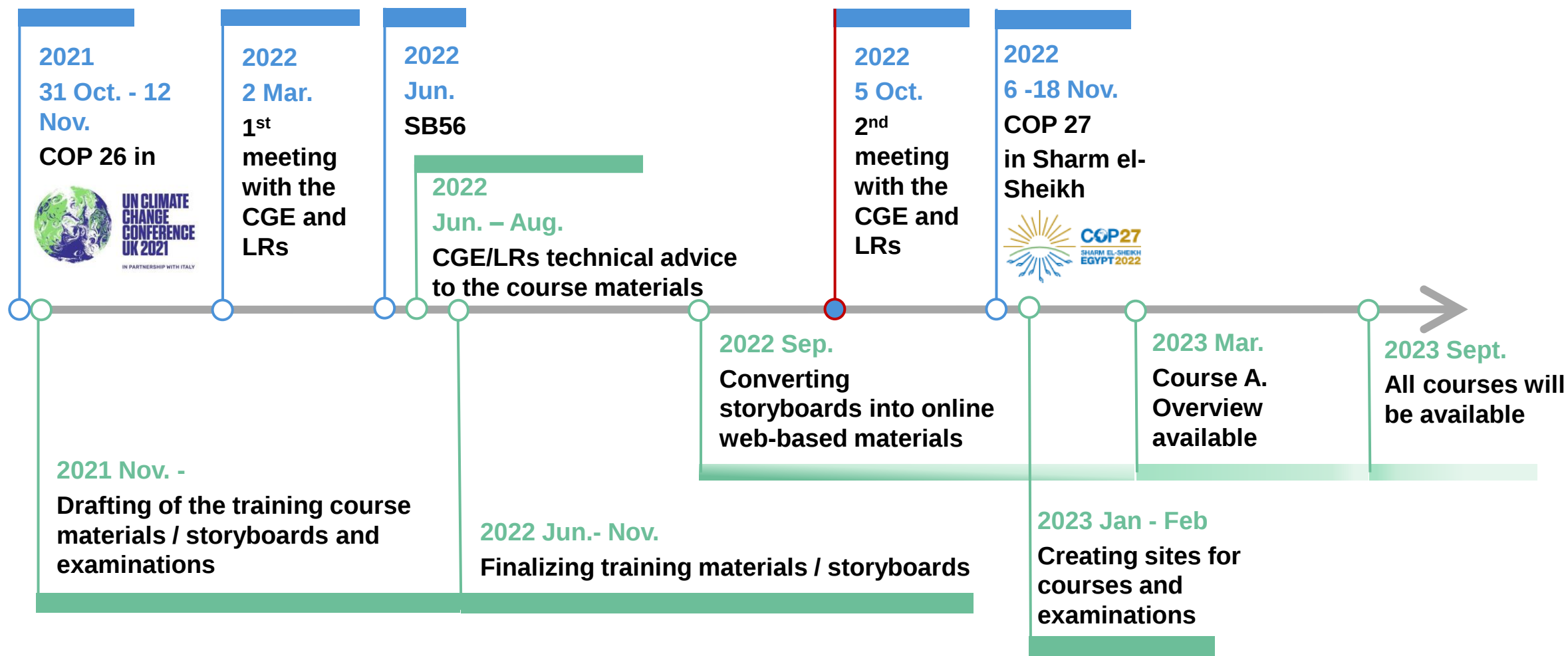
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BTR reviewer training courses			
A. Overview	B.GHG inventory	C. Tracking progress of the NDC	D. FTC support provided
	B-1 General guidance and cross-cutting issues B-2 Energy B-3 IPPU B-4 Agriculture B-5 LULUCF B-6 Waste	C-1 NDC description C-2 Tracking progress C-3 Mitigation policies and measures, actions and plans C-4 Projection	
General and cross-cutting aspects for the technical expert review under the enhanced transparency framework under the Paris Agreement	Technical review of national inventory reports of anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks of greenhouse gases, reported in accordance with chapter II of the annex to decision 18/CMA.1	Technical review of the information necessary to track progress made in implementing and achieving nationally determined contributions under Article 4 of the Paris Agreement reported in accordance with chapter III of the annex to decision 18/CMA.1	Technical review of the information on financial, technology development and transfer and capacity-building support provided to developing country Parties under Articles 9–11 of the Paris Agreement reported in accordance with chapter V of the annex to decision 18/CMA.1.

Timeline and the progress on the work



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Technical advice by the CGE members and LRs to the draft training course materials

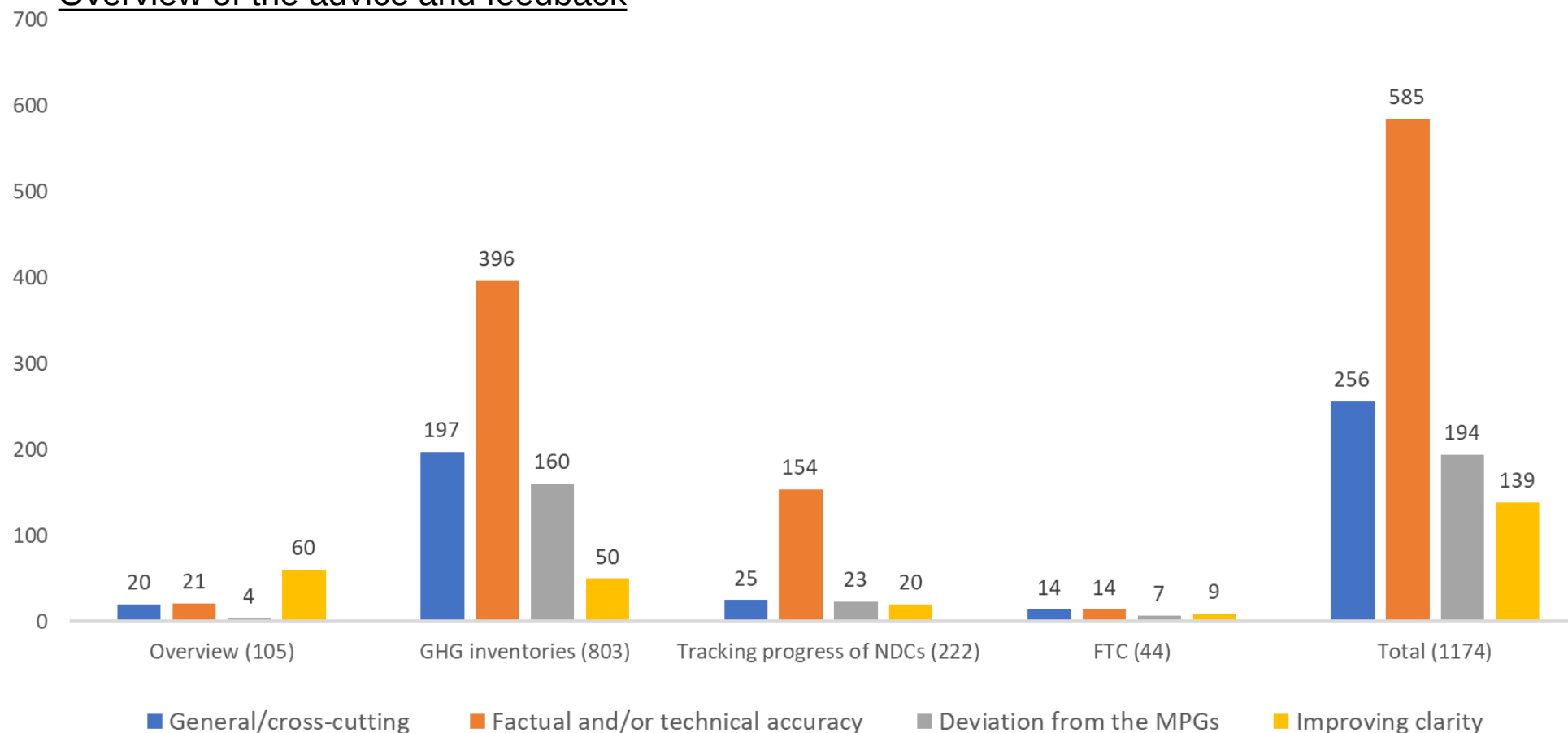


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CGE members and the LRs provided technical advice and feedback to the draft training course materials

- Courses A, C and D - Overview, Tracking progress of NDCs and FTC : 20 June to 11 July.
- Course B - GHG inventories : 25 July to 14 August.

Overview of the advice and feedback



Implementation approach



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- Non-instructed online courses:
 - Available on the UNFCCC's open website with option to download for off-line reference
 - Available throughout the year to allow experts to study the courses on their own pace as self-learning
- Online instructed courses facilitated by the instructors:
 - Only for the experts nominated to the RoE
 - To be organized periodically subject to the availability of resources and contingent on the needs
 - Formats: webinars, seminars, hands-on training
 - Limited number of seats per each round
 - Participants can take the same instructed course only once

BTR courses

Online courses is available in the open website all year round

Neither nomination to ROE nor registration is required to access and study the courses.

Improvements

Decision 5/CMA.3 Annex VII:

para. 4: All courses will be available online all year round, with an option to download them.

para. 9: Once a year, online training courses facilitated by instructor(s) will be available.

Relevant provisions

Standardized approach

- Exams to be administered periodically
- Exams will be made available online and also in-person depending on the need and availability of necessary resources
- Registration is required to take the examinations
- Participants who fail to achieve the passing threshold will be allowed to retake the same exams three times (*to be revisited after the first round of training period*)
- Once participants pass the examinations, retake of the same examinations will not be encouraged

BTR courses

Decision 5/CMA.3 Annex VII:

Para 5. All courses will have an examination.

Para 6. Examination procedures will be standardized, objective and transparent.

Para 7. Examinations will be offered either online or in person. When participants attend an in-person training seminar, the examination may take place during that seminar. Other arrangements for examinations may also be made, provided that the examinations take place under the supervision of the secretariat.

Decision 18/CMA.1, MPGs

Annex para. 174: Each transparency report submitted will be assigned to a single technical expert review team with members selected from the UNFCCC roster of experts.

Relevant provisions

Mandatory courses and examinations for new reviewers



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- **Course A: Overview**

All experts to take part in the technical expert review teams

- **Course B-1: General guidance and cross-cutting issues, and**
- **At least one of the sectoral courses: B-2 to B-6.**

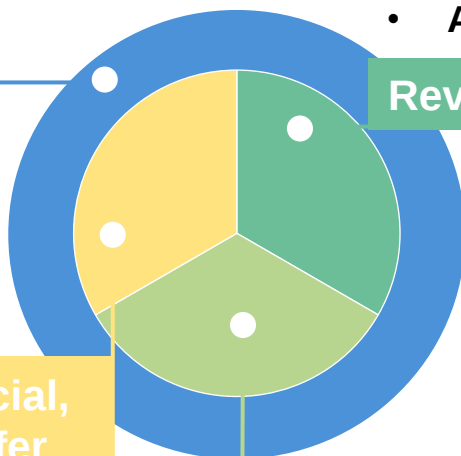
Review of national GHG inventory reports

- **Course C-1 Description of the NDCs,**
- **Course C-2 Tracking progress of the NDCs, and**
- **At least one of the following courses:**
 - **Course C-3 Mitigation actions, and**
 - **Course C-4 GHG emissions projections.**

- **Course D: FTC support provided**

Review of the information on financial, technology development and transfer and capacity-building support provided

Review of the information necessary to track progress made in implementing and achieving NDCs



Decision 5/CMA.3, paragraph 8

Experts who have **already participated in training programmes and related technical reviews under the measurement, reporting and verification arrangements under the Convention do not need to take** examinations for courses under the training programme for technical experts participating in the technical expert review of BTRs that **cover the same information** as courses taken previously, taking into account their knowledge and experience.

Requirements for the reviewers under the Convention



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- Course A: Overview

All reviewers under the MRV arrangements under the Convention

Experts who meet the following requirements do not need to take *sub-courses* of *B.1* and relevant sectoral courses (*B.2-B.6*) before participating in the TERT under the ETF:

- Passed the exams of mandatory reviewers training courses on GHG inventories, and
- Took part in the technical reviews of GHG inventories under the MRV arrangements under the Convention.

Review of national GHG inventory reports

Experts who meet the following conditions do not need to take *Course D*. FTC support provided:

- Passed the course of FTC support provided of the BR/NC training programme, and
- Took part in the technical reviews of FTC support provided under the MRV arrangements under the Convention.

Review of the information on FTC support provided

Following courses are mandatory for all reviewers of tracking progress of NDCs:

- *Sub-course C-1* on description of the NDCs, and
- *Sub-course C-2* on tracking progress of the NDCs.

Experts who meet the following conditions do not need to take *sub-course C.3* on mitigation PaMs and actions:

- Passed the course of targets and of policies and measures and their effect of BR/NC training programme, and
- Took part in the technical reviews of target and mitigation policies and measures and their effect under the MRV arrangements under the Convention.

Experts who meet the following conditions do not need to take *sub-course C.4* on GHG emissions projections:

- Passed the course of projection of GHG emissions and removals of BRs/NCs training programme, and
- Took part in the technical reviews of GHG emission projections under the MRV arrangements under the Convention.

Review of the information necessary to track progress made in implementing and achieving NDCs:

Where do things stand now?



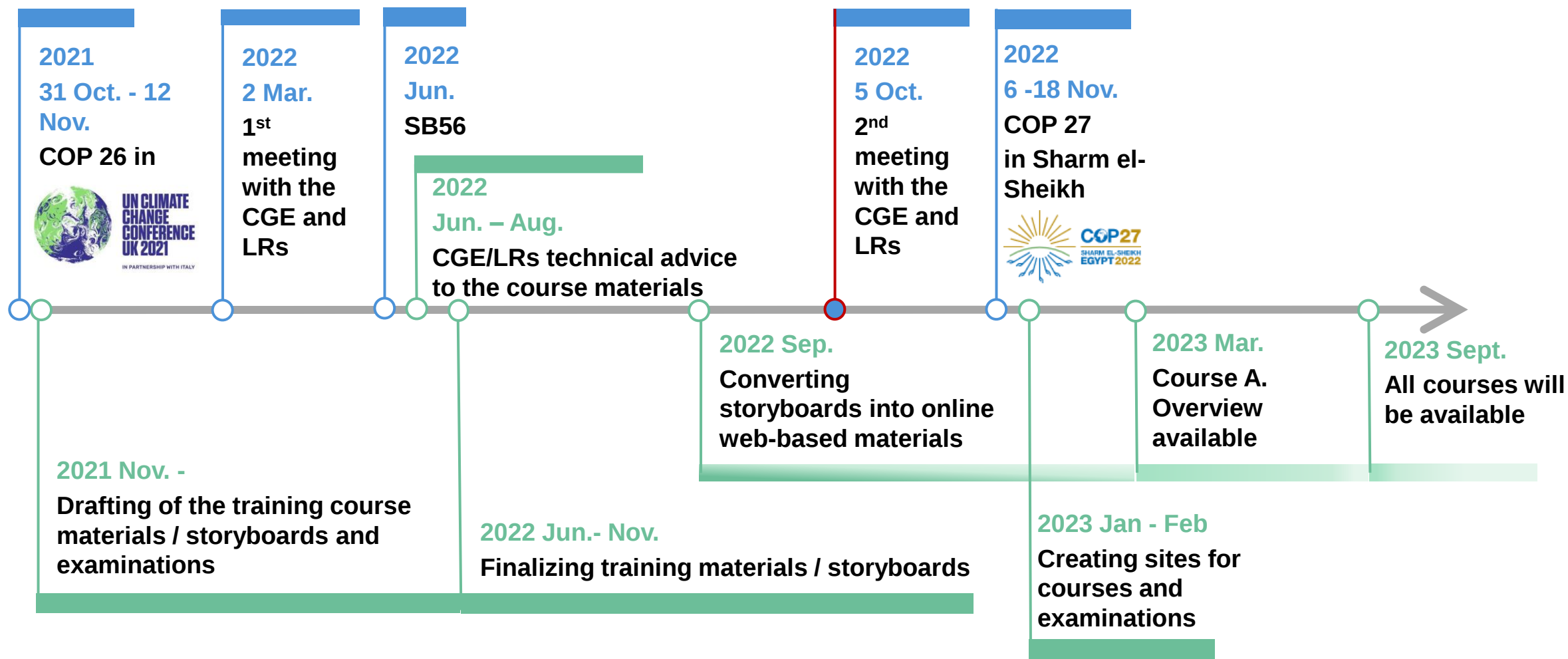
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Timeline and the progress on the work



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