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Report back and wrap-up of NC/BR LRs' work

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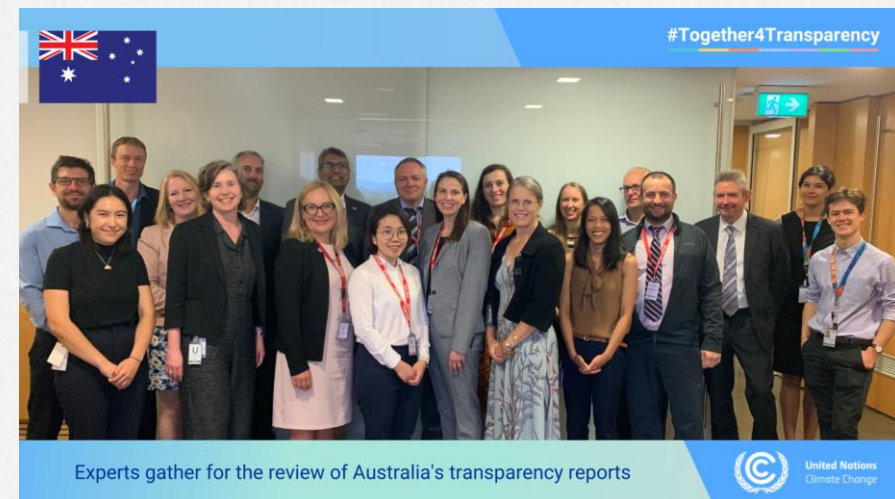
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IAR 5 cycle concludes the MRV process

Thanks to well-coordinated efforts by the Parties, ERTs and the secretariat

- In 2023-2024, 43 Parties have been reviewed by 230 experts, including 96 new, 52 from African region and 122 female.
- Multilateral assessment @ SBI59 (Nov 2023) @ SBI60 (June 2024) and @SBI62 (Nov 2024).
- Each review was promoted on LinkedIn [#UN Climate Change Transparency](#) to capture achievements of the Parties and to acknowledge the efforts by the Parties and the ERTs.



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Impact and value added has been acknowledged by many Parties and reviewers



“The UK hugely values the UNFCCC International Assessment and Review process. Full and transparent reporting on progress against climate commitments is essential, and the expert review process builds confidence and holds us to account for delivery”

Graham Stuart (UK's Minister for Energy Security and Net Zero)



“This review process is an important stepping stone to better understand where we are in the fight against climate change. Moreover, it is a useful process where we all learn about transparency to build trust among all stakeholders and to identify areas that can be improved over time: the only way to achieve our common goals”

Valvanera Maria Ulargui Aparicio (Director of the Spanish office for Climate Change)



What worked well and what needs further attention in BTR reviews

ERTs feedback provided valuable insights for the future BTR review process. The analysis is available in the relevant presentation on the website ([here](#)).

Parties ask for ERT suggestions on how to improve and consider the ICRs a valuable capacity building exercise for the national experts.

Potential replicable elements and approaches for BTR reviews:

- Process **workflow, milestones, timeline**
- Supportive role of the **RO**
- Principal functions of the **IT and non-IT review tools**

Further improvements are welcome on:

- **Process:** start preparations earlier; arrive 1 day before review week;
- **Collaboration tool:** improve connectivity of a collaboration tool
- **Review tool:** more integration of checklist and template
- **Methodological tool:** more substantive review guidance

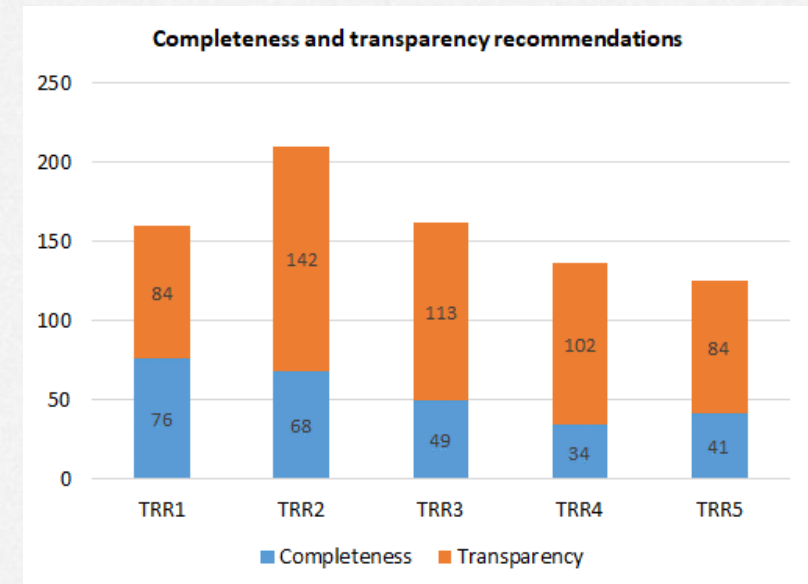


Pertaining reporting challenges relevant to the BTR

While completeness of reporting improved by half throughout 5 reporting and review cycles, Parties continue to face challenges in implementing MRV.

Trends in reporting based on the analysis of 29 BR1-BR5 reviewed::

- The # of recommendations on completeness has decreased by 46%
- The # of recommendations on transparency remained the same in BR5 as in BR1 review cycles, with fluctuations in BR2, BR3 and BR4 review cycles due to the evolvement of the review practice.
- No review issues were raised during the BR5 review cycle that required new or revised review guidance.
- The assessment of adherence to the reporting guidelines has consistently followed the RPG



Pertaining specific challenges in BR5 review cycle relevant to BTR reporting:

- Mitigation impacts of PaMs (CTF table 3)
- Organizing information on PaMs by sector and by gas (BR para 6.)
- GHG projections by gas (NC para 32.)

Completeness and Transparency Assessment of Information Reported in TRR of 5th BRs – 2024 Update. Available on the relevant online background document [here](#).





LEGACY OF BR/NC REVIEWS

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