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## **SBSTA agenda item 2(d):**

**Second progress update on the  
development of the training  
programme for technical experts  
participating in the technical expert  
review of the BTRs**

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# Mandates

## Decision 18/CMA.1

- 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 5/CMA.3

- 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*)
- 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*)



# Mandates

## Decision 9/CMA.4

- Decides that a Party may, on a voluntary basis, request the secretariat to organize a review of the information reported by the Party pursuant to decision 18/CMA.1, annex, chapter IV, as part of the technical expert review pursuant to decision 18/CMA.1, annex, chp. VII. *(Para 1)*
- The voluntary review consists of: *(Para 2)*
  - Reviewing the information reported by the Party in its biennial transparency report, in accordance with the modalities, procedures and guidelines contained in decision 18/CMA.1, annex, chp. IV;
  - Facilitating the improvement of the reporting of information pursuant to decision 18/CMA.1, annex, chp. IV, by identifying, in consultation with the Party, areas of improvement and capacity-building needs related to reporting.
- Further decides that the Party undergoing the voluntary review may select specific sections of the chapter in the biennial transparency report pursuant to decision 18/CMA.1, annex, chp. IV, for particular attention by the expert review team conducting the review. *(Para 3)*
- Requests the secretariat to include in the technical expert review team for conducting the voluntary review an expert with expertise in the areas outlined in decision 18/CMA.1, annex, chp. IV, who has completed the course on general and cross-cutting aspects for the technical expert review under the enhanced transparency framework under the Paris Agreement referred to in decision 5/CMA.3, annex VII, and the training course referred to in paragraph 8 below, taking into account decision 5/CMA.3, para. 34; *(Para 6)*
- Requests **the secretariat to develop and implement a training course for experts participating in the review**, as part of the training programme outlined in decision 5/CMA.3, annex VII, and taking into account decision 5/CMA.3, paras. 33–34. *(Para 8)*

# 1<sup>st</sup> Progress update during COP27

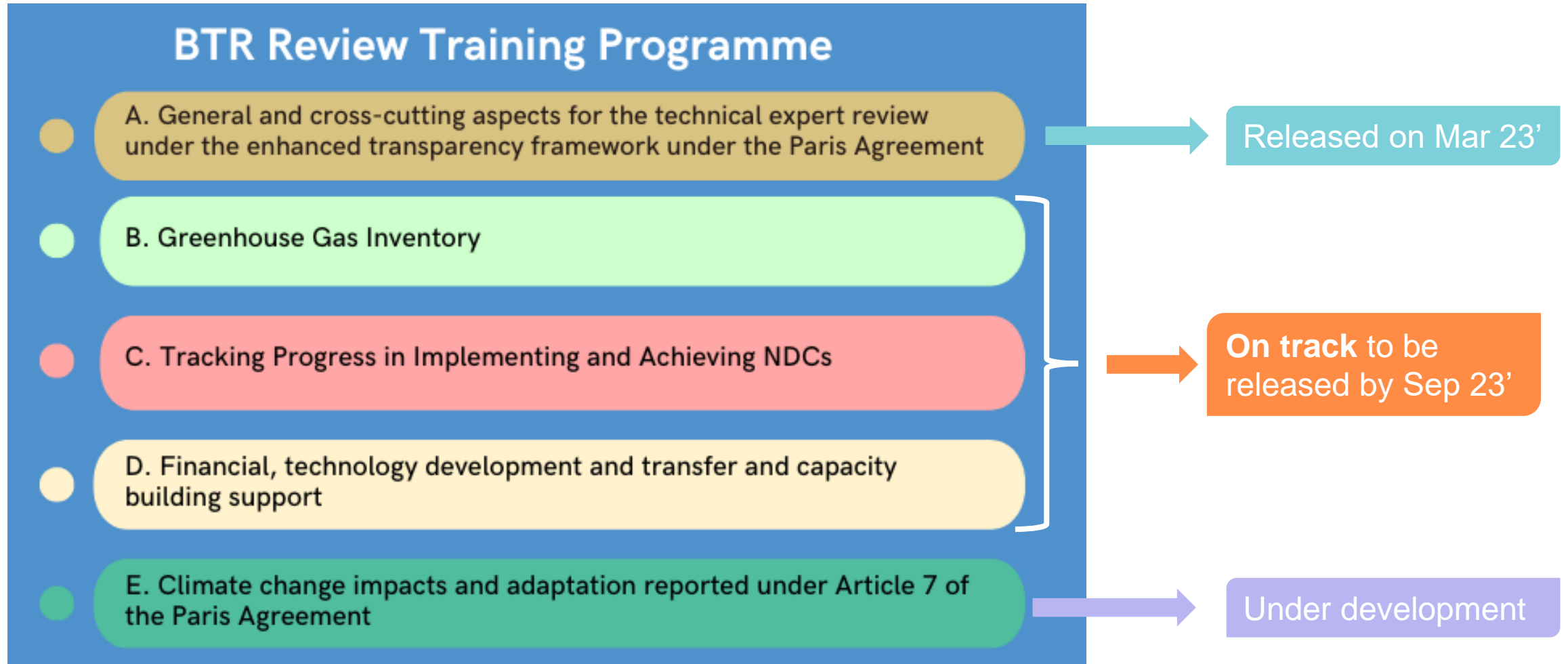
The secretariat presented:

- Status of content development of the training programme.
- Overview of technical advice from the CGE and LRs to the draft training course materials.
- Implementation approach and timeline for 2023.

# Progress to date



# Structure of Courses



# Course A Examinations

- 1st round: 8-9-10 May 2023 – Online. ✓
- 2nd round: 10 Jun 2023 – Hybrid during SB 58.
- 3rd round: 11-12-13 Sep - 2023 – Online.

## Exam period

- 107 expert on the RoE registered.
- 93 took examination -> 90 successfully passed.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Examination Period

### Total number of experts that passed the exam (90)

Female	52%
Male	48%
Developed country Parties	38%
Developing country Parties	62%
Experienced	30%
New	70%

- 531 expert on the RoE registered.

## 2nd Examination Period

### Total number of experts registered (531)

Female	43%
Male	57%
Developed country Parties	77%
Developing country Parties	23%
Experienced	30%
New	70%



# Updated website

Process and meetings > Transparency and Reporting > Training programmes for experts > Training programmes for expert reviewers

## Training programmes for expert reviewers.

Overview of the training programmes

Training programme for BTR technical expert reviewers

Training programme for Convention expert reviewers

Becoming a technical expert reviewer

Course A: General and cross-cutting aspects for the technical expert review under the enhanced transparency framework under the Paris Agreement

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## Course A: General and cross-cutting aspects for the technical expert review under the enhanced transparency framework under the Paris Agreement.

The lessons in the course will give you an overview of the enhanced transparency framework (ETF) and its cross-cutting principles. Course A is **mandatory for all experts** to participate in the technical expert review (TER). It will take approximately 4 hours to complete this course. Below you will find the 5 lessons that will help you understand the key concepts and principles of the ETF.

- Lesson 1: Introduction to the ETF
- Lesson 2: Reporting under the ETF
- Lesson 3: Technical expert review (TER)
- Lesson 4: Conducting the TER
- Lesson 5: Linkages with other relevant processes

Please click here to leave your questions related to Overview Course.

Examination Dates:

Live Q&A session in preparation for the examination periods

Launch Webinar 1st March 2023 - Recording

Please click here to download the Offline version of the Overview Course.



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New training programmes website

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# Course E development

## Proposed approach

- Content will cover key areas relating to climate impacts and adaptation reporting.
- Development of the course content will be in a staggered manner based on the availability of resources.
- The secretariat is currently conceptualizing the content and learning objectives of the course.
- A concept note on the course development will be presented to CGE and LRs to seek for their technical advice at the upcoming 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting with the CGE & LRs on 22 June.

# Implementation



# Implementation approach

## Training course

In accordance with annex VII of decision 5/CMA.3 and decision 9/CMA.4, the training programme will include the following courses:

- 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;
- Technical review of the information necessary to track progress made in implementing and achieving nationally determined contributions under Article 4 of the Paris Agreement;
- 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;
- Voluntary technical review of the information on climate change impacts and adaptation reported in Article 7 of the Paris Agreement reported in accordance with chapter IV of the annex to decision 18/CMA.1.

## Learning

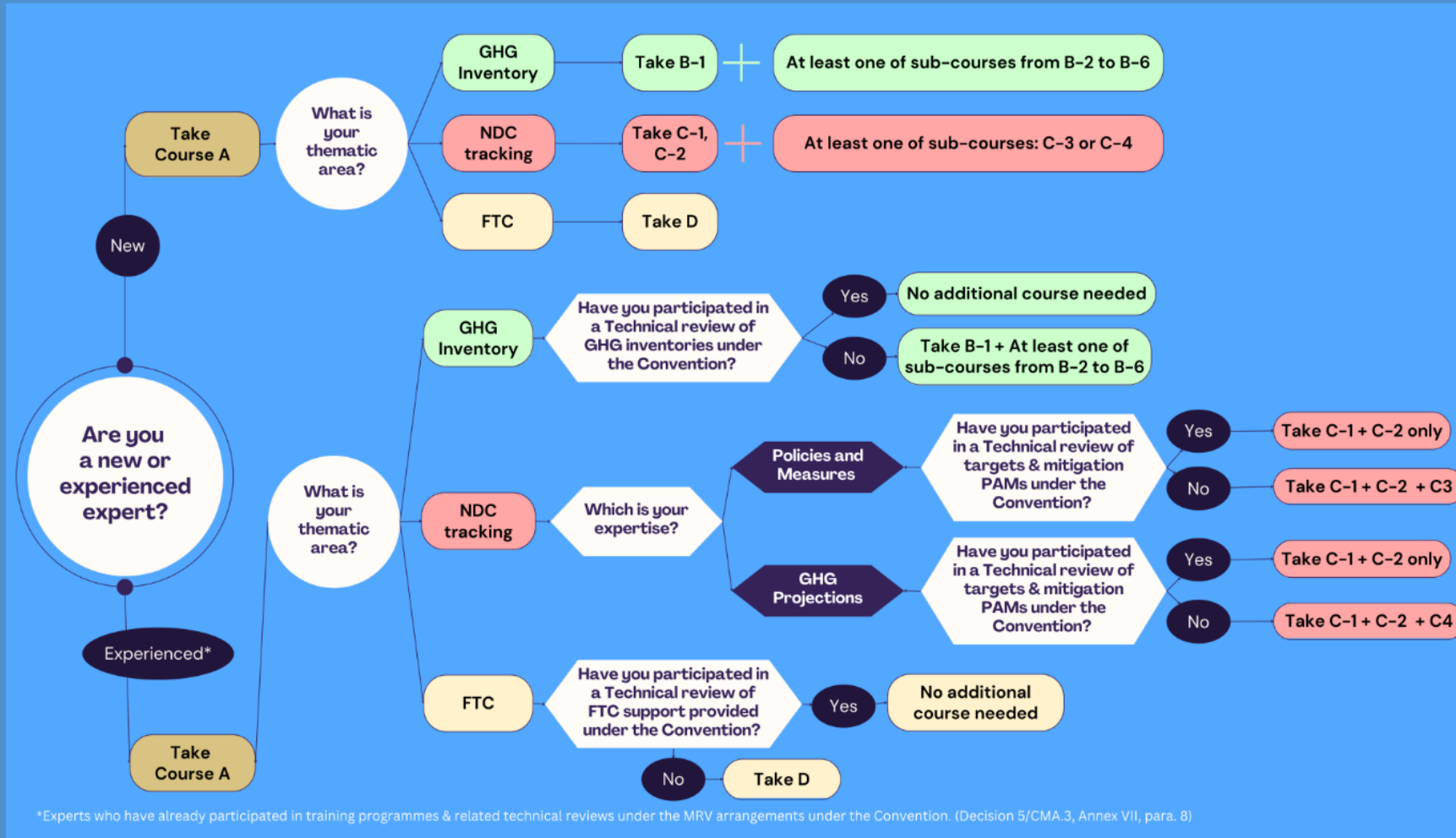
- Training courses will be made available online publicly on UNFCCC website with option to download an offline version.
- Training courses facilitated by instructors will be organized, with the possibility of including hands-on training and/or seminars periodically, depending on the availability of resources.
- Refresher seminars for the experienced reviewers may be organized, contingent on the needs and depending on the availability of resources.

## Examinations

- Examinations will be administered periodically for the experts who are nominated to the RoE, have completed the relevant training courses and have registered for the examination period.
- The examination will be administered online and will be in the English language. The exams will only have automated grading type of questions to facilitate and expedite grading.
- To pass the examination, participants need to score a minimum 65 per cent of points. The retake of the examination of the same course on account of an unsuccessful outcome will be limited to three.
- Depending on the need and the availability of financial resources, the examination may also be administered in-person or in a hybrid format.



# Decision tree for choosing examinations



# Mandatory examinations for new reviewers

- 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 A: Overview

All experts to take part in the technical expert review teams

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

- 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 E

All experts to take part the review of the information on climate change impacts and adaptation reported in Article 7 of the Paris Agreement

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

- Course D: FTC support provided

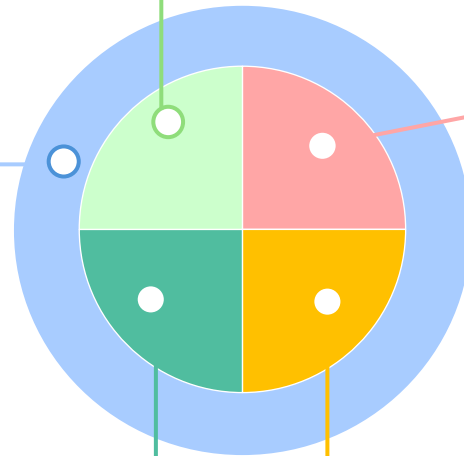
# Examinations for experienced reviewers

- If the expert has participated as GHG inventory expert in the review of a NC/BR or annex I GHG inventory no needed to take B exams.

## Review of national GHG inventory reports

- **Course A: Overview**

All experts to take part in the technical expert review teams



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

- **Course C-1 Description of the NDCs,**
- **Course C-2 Tracking progress of the NDCs, and**
- If the expert has participated as PAMs and/or Projection expert in the review of a NC/BR no needed to take:
  - **Course C- 3 Mitigation actions, and**
  - **Course C- 4 GHG emissions projections.**

- **Course E**

All experts to take part the review of the information on climate change impacts and adaptation reported in Article 7 of the Paris Agreement

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

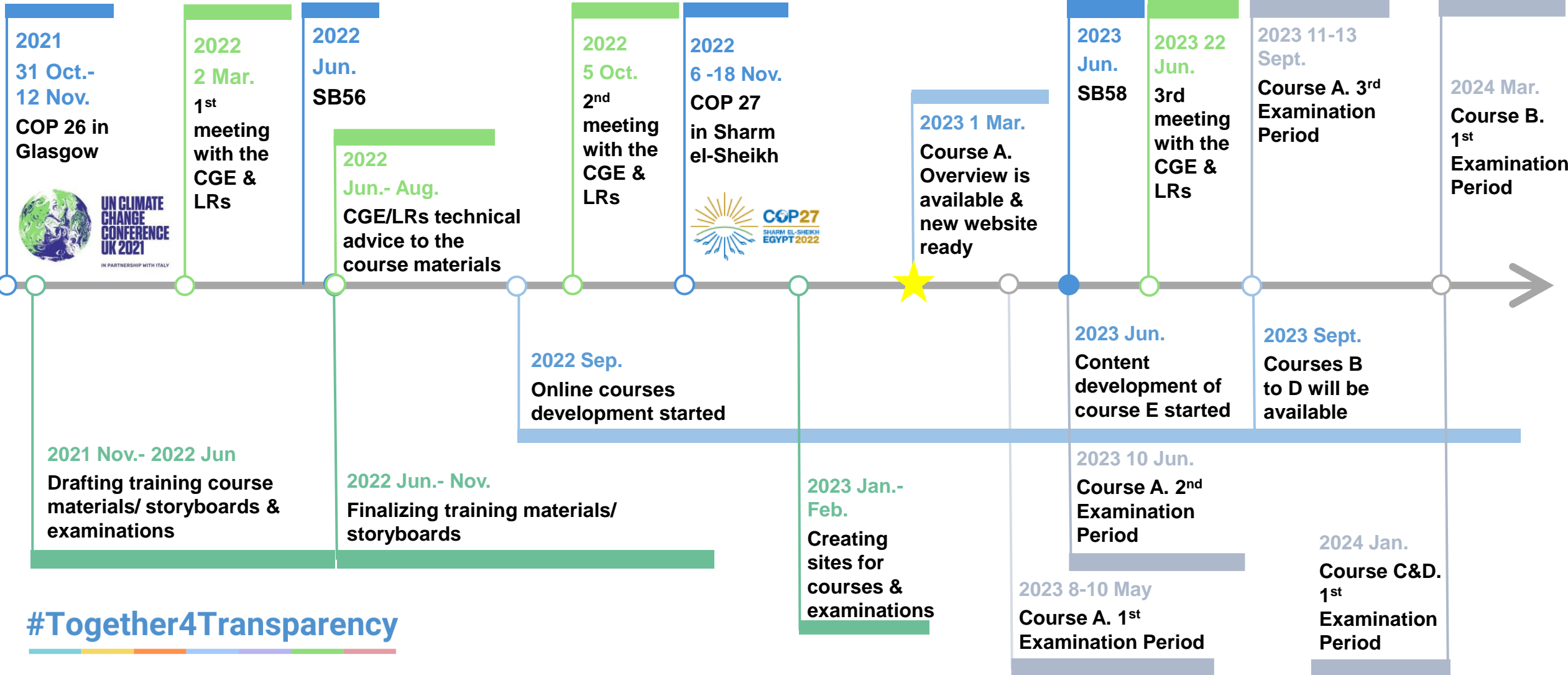
- If the expert has participated as FTC expert in the review of a NC/BR no needed to take D exam.



# Where do things stand now?

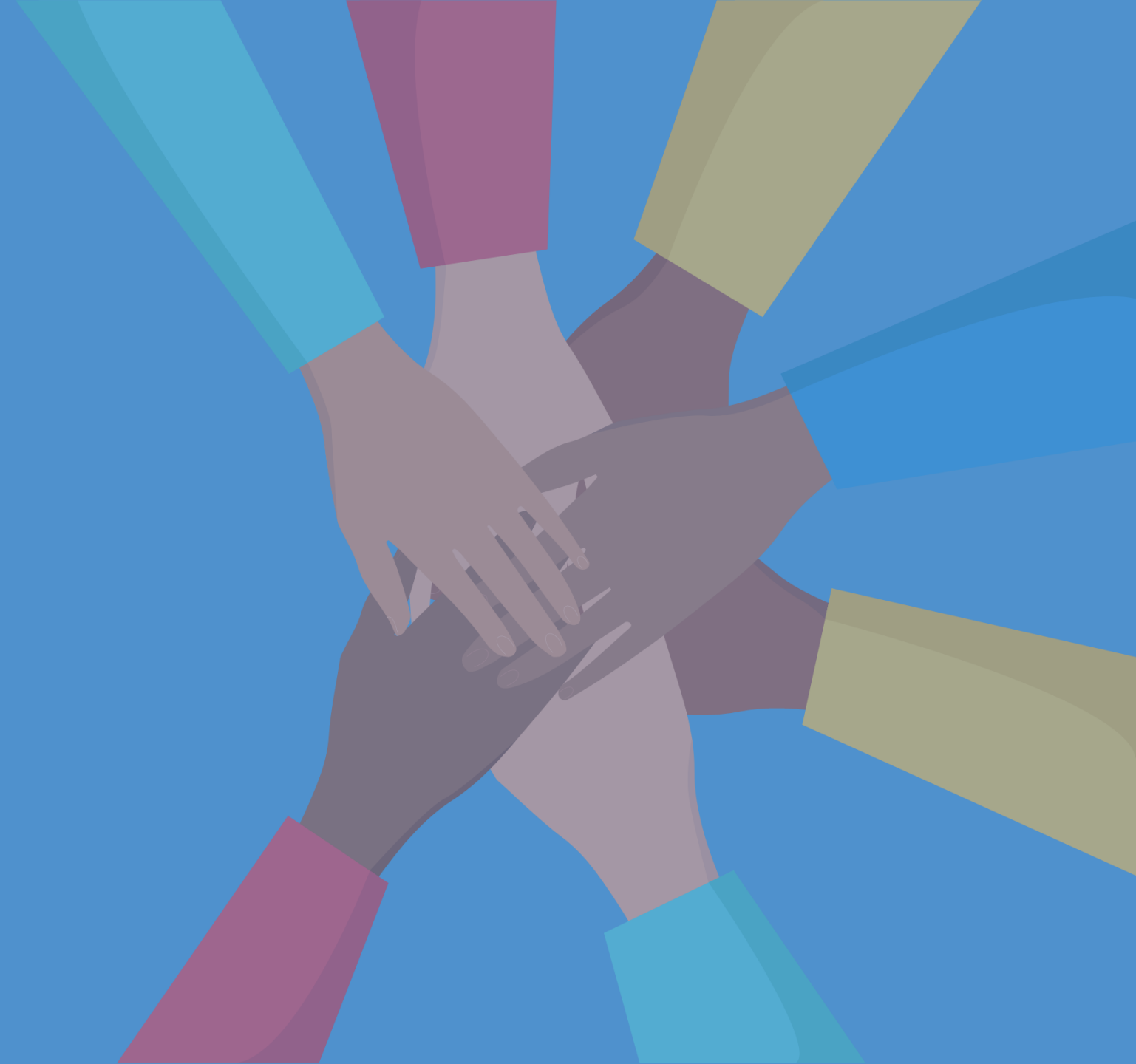


# Timeline and the progress of the work



# Questions?

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