

## Session SBI61 (2024)

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A complication of questions to **Iceland**  
exported on 09 September 2024 by the UNFCCC secretariat

Question by United States of America at Saturday, 07 September 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 07 September

Title: GRO program lessons

Can you discuss any lessons learned through the GRO programs, and in particular the Geothermal Training Programme which has been in place since 1978? Are there particular examples of how to replicate effective capacity building efforts to support implementation of climate targets?

Answer by Iceland  
Not answered

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Question by United States of America at Saturday, 07 September 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 07 September

Title: DAC/ CCS projects

Can you discuss any lessons learned from the Climeworks / Carbonfix DAC/CCS project, including in relation to Iceland's target? Specifically working on multinational projects for carbon capture and how participating countries would report reductions as part of their NDC reporting.

Answer by Iceland  
Not answered

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Question by Canada at Friday, 06 September 2024

Category: All emissions and removals related to its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 07 September

Title: Publication of GHG estimates prior to submission to the UNFCCC

GHG emissions data is a key piece in setting and tracking emission reduction targets and identifying mitigation approaches. Could you please describe any institutional arrangements, or work underway to develop such arrangements, that could enable publishing GHG estimates prior to the official

submission to the UNFCCC (for example, making GHG data available to the public or some key stakeholders in 2024 ahead of a submission mid-April 2025)?

Answer by Iceland  
Not answered

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Question by Canada at Friday, 06 September 2024

Category: All emissions and removals related to its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 07 September

Title: Incorporation of atmospheric measurements in GHG inventory

Improved measurement technologies in recent years have resulted in the advancement of emissions data derived from atmospheric measurements which can be compared to emissions/removals data reported to the UNFCCC. Could you please share information about how atmospheric measurement data are considered in the development of your inventory, including any plans to incorporate such measurements into inventory methodologies?

Answer by Iceland  
Not answered

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Question by United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland at Friday, 06 September 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 07 September

Title: Question to Iceland on Agriculture policies

Thank you, **Iceland**, for the opportunity to comment on your 5<sup>th</sup> Biennial Report and 8<sup>th</sup> National Communication.

In Table 18, as part of the planned agriculture policies and measures, you mentioned the carbon-neutral beef production goal. A consultation group made several recommendations for projects to implement that goal in 2020. Some of those projects were undertaken and then closed in 2022, and some proposals for direct measures in farms were being reviewed last year.

Is there anything you could share about what those proposals were, if they were implemented, and whether they have yielded the expected outcomes?

Answer by Iceland  
Not answered

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Question by Japan at Friday, 06 September 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 07 September

Title: Responses to the increase in carbon tax

According to p.107 of the NC8/BR5, Iceland's carbon tax was introduced in 2010, and its tax rate has gradually increased. The carbon tax amount in 2020 has become more than double that of 2010 when it was first introduced. How are the public and businesses reacting to the gradual increase in the carbon tax rate in the face of rising international energy prices, and how are they coping with it?

Answer by Iceland  
Not answered

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Question by Japan at Friday, 06 September 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 07 September

Title: Carbon Capture from Geothermal Energy Plants

Iceland captures and stores CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from geothermal power plants and has set a goal of reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from this source by at least 47% by 2030 compared with 2005. On the other hand, the estimates of mitigation impacts of this policy and measure are not reported in Table 3 of the CTF and Table 13 on p.103 of the NC8/BR5. We would appreciate it if Iceland could share the progress and achievements to date and the challenges (if any) regarding the reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from geothermal power plants.

Answer by Iceland  
Not answered

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Question by Japan at Friday, 06 September 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 07 September

Title: Cost-Benefit Analysis of Actions in the 2020 Climate Action Plan

Iceland has conducted a cost-benefit analysis of 23 actions in the 2020 Climate Action Plan and published the report in 2022. Could Iceland share any methodological challenges and lessons learned in this analysis? Also, could Iceland tell us how you plan to use these results for future activities?

Answer by Iceland  
Not answered

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Question by Japan at Friday, 06 September 2024

Category: All emissions and removals related to its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 07 September

Title: Communications strategist of GHG inventory

According to p.89 of the NC8/BR5, there is a Communications strategist who is responsible for coordinating all media-related activities relating to the inventory work, such as publication of news, website updates, as well as lectures and seminars. Could Iceland provide more specific examples of GHG inventory media-related activities that have been implemented? Also, could Iceland share the results and lessons learned in the media activities led by the Communication strategist?

Answer by Iceland  
Not answered

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Question by Australia at Friday, 06 September 2024

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 07 September

Title: Q2

**Can Iceland please share any learnings from the application of the Carbfix carbon capture method that they think would be beneficial to countries considering implementing carbon capture from heavy industry?** (Reference: pg119 of BR5/NC8)

Answer by Iceland  
Not answered

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Question by Australia at Friday, 06 September 2024

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 07 September

Title: Q1

**Could Iceland elaborate on some of the measures that will be used to reduce emissions from Icelandic buildings under the planned public-private cooperation out to 2030?** (Reference: pg45-46 of BR5/NC8)

Answer by Iceland  
Not answered

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Question by New Zealand at Thursday, 05 September 2024

Category: All emissions and removals related to its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 07 September

Title: Progress on agricultural policies – reducing enteric fermentation & use of fertilisers

Iceland has adopted agriculture policies of Improved feeding of livestock to reduce enteric fermentation (402) and Improved use and handling of fertilisers (403). New Zealand is interested in hearing any updates on implementing these policies including key findings and challenges faced.

Answer by Iceland  
Not answered

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