

Transition to Enhanced Transparency Framework: Issues and Challenges from Malaysia's Perspective

-- Webinar --

Time: **14:00 - 15:00 MYT** | Date: **May 18, 2023** | Format: **Online**

Background

The enhanced transparency framework (ETF) under the Paris Agreement (PA) builds on and enhances the existing measurement, reporting and verification (MRV) arrangements under the Convention. With the adoption of the modalities, procedures and guidelines (MPGs) for the ETF by COP 24 and the corresponding common reporting tables, common tabular formats and outlines by COP 26, countries have now the necessary guidance for developing their first Biennial Transparency Report(s), to be submitted by the end of 2024. With the deadline for the first Biennial Transparency Report rapidly approaching, developing country Parties need to embark on the - often challenging - transition towards the ETF. Some countries have already made great progress in the transition and can share their lessons learned from this process with other countries. In Asia, one such country is Malaysia.

Malaysia being one of only a few countries that have submitted three national communications (NCs) and four biennial update reports (BURs) to the UNFCCC. As part of its transition efforts to the ETF referred to in Article 13 of the PA, Malaysia's Ministry of Natural Resources, Environment and Climate Change has increased its efforts to improve the transparency, accuracy, completeness, comparability, and consistency of the information reported in BURs and NCs. The Global Environment Facility (GEF) has also approved the CBIT and first BTR project in the country.

Objective

The primary goal of the virtual exchange is to facilitate the sharing of challenges encountered and lessons learned during ETF implementation in Malaysia. Countries in the Asia Regional Transparency Network will benefit from this exchange by gaining insights and guidance on how to transition to the ETFs in their respective countries.

Target Audience and Language

The virtual exchange will bring together relevant national transparency stakeholders, such as coordinators of National Communications and Biennial Update Reports, senior experts from the national agencies dealing with climate reporting who supervise the establishment of MRV and coordination of GHG inventory preparation for various sectors, including sector-specific experts.

The meeting will be held **in English**.

Duration and Time Zones

The webinar will last **1 hour** with sufficient timing dedicated to discussion and Q&A sessions. The exact time of the webinar in your country can be seen below:

Countries	Time (24 hour)
Iran	09:30
Afghanistan	10:30
Maldives, Pakistan	11:00
India, Sri Lanka	11:30
Nepal	11:45
Bangladesh, Bhutan	12:00
Myanmar	12:30
Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Thailand, Vietnam	13:00
Brunei Darussalam, China, Malaysia, Mongolia, Philippines, Singapore	14:00

Agenda

Time (Malaysia Time)	Session
14:00 – 14:10 (incl. a short buffer for people to arrive)	Opening session and welcoming remarks Moderator: Mr. Jaypalsinh Chauhan, Asia Network Coordinator Speakers: Ms. Fatima-Zahra Taibi, CBIT-GSP Global Coordinator (TBC) Mentimeter and Group Photo
14:10 - 14:20	Transitioning towards the ETF from MRV Speaker: Mr. Jaypalsinh Chauhan, Asia Network Coordinator
14:20 - 14:40	Transition to ETF: Issues and Challenges from Malaysia’s Perspective Speaker: Ms. Dayang Ratnasari Abu Bakar, Ministry of Natural Resources, Environment and Climate Change, Malaysia
14:40 – 14:55	Q&A and exchange among countries
14:55 – 15:00	Wrap-up and closing remarks Mentimeter
