

Institutional Arrangements for Transparency Systems: Best Practices and Lessons Learned from Network Countries (Fiji & Papua New Guinea)

Time: **10:30am – 12:00pm Fiji time** | Date: **April 26, 2023** | Format: **Virtual**

Description

Institutional arrangements are of critical importance for fully functioning national transparency systems and data collection in particular. Institutional arrangements for transparency includes various elements from clearly defined roles and responsibilities for all actors in the transparency system, such a line ministries, data-sharing agreements and legal arrangements. Institutions at all levels need to build on what already exists and learn from experience, while at the same time working towards more streamlined data flows to be able to comply with the requirements of the Enhanced Transparency Framework. Appropriate arrangements must consider all relevant levels of government and private sector in an approach that manages competing priorities and demand for resources.

Institutional arrangements promote strong coordination and collaboration among multiple decision-making levels, involving stakeholders and sectors in order to create buy-in into the transparency system and ensure effective data flows.

Establishing such an institutional structure domestically requires time and effort and usually involves multi-stakeholder task forces and expert working groups. It also requires dedicated capacity development and communication strategies.

Objective

The main objective of the virtual exchange is to share **Best Practices and Lessons Learned from Establishing Institutional Arrangements for Transparency in Fiji and PNG** with other members of the Regional Transparency Network of the Pacific Region.

Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and engage & exchange among each other.

Target Audience and Language

The Virtual Exchange will gather relevant national transparency stakeholders including coordinators of National Communications and Biennial Update Reports, senior experts from the national agencies dealing with climate reporting who oversees the establishment of MRV and the national Enhanced Transparency Frameworks and personnel dealing with data collection on greenhouse gas inventory, adaptation and impacts, climate finance and NDC tracking.

Duration

It is expected that the meeting will last up to **1.5 hours** with sufficient timing dedicated to discussion and Q&A sessions.

Proposed Agenda

Time (Fiji)	Session
10:30 – 10:40	Opening session and welcoming remarks Moderator: Mr. Ravneeth Dewan, Network Coordinator Speakers: Ms. Fatima-Zahra Taibi, CBIT-GSP Global Coordinator <i>Mentimeter</i> Group Photo
10:40 – 10:45	Importance of the Institutional Arrangements Speaker: Mr. Ravneeth Dewan, Network Coordinator
10:45 - 11:00	Institutional Arrangements for Transparency Systems: best practices and lessons learned from Fiji. Speaker: Ms. Jeanette Mani, Fiji CBIT Project Consultant
11:10 - 11:15	<i>Short Q&A</i>
11:15 - 11:30	Institutional Arrangements for Transparency Systems: best practices and lessons learned from Papua New Guinea Speaker: Mr. Jason Panui, GHG Inventory Coordinator
11:30 - 11:55	<i>Q&A and exchange among countries</i>
11:55 - 12:00	Wrap-up and closing remarks <i>Mentimeter</i>