

# Inception Meeting of the CBIT-GSP Climate Transparency Network for Spanish-Speaking Latin America and the Caribbean

Thursday 9 March 2023 | Format: online | Times in Agenda

## Background

In 2015, the UNDP/UNEP Global Support Programme (GSP) started to provide support to the Latin America and the Caribbean region, mainly through technical and financial support to the Latin American Network on National GHG Inventories (RedINGEI) to foster expert exchange and improve the quality of information on climate that countries need to submit to UNFCCC.

In 2022, with the start of the new Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency - Global Support Programme (CBIT-GSP) project, funded by GEF, implemented by UNEP and executed by UNEP-CCC, support for the region is provided through the establishment of the **Climate Transparency Network for Spanish-Speaking Latin America and the Caribbean**. The objective of the network is to continue south-south cooperation for the reporting on national GHG inventories, NDC tracking and mitigation, adaptation and its impacts, and support needed and received, as well as the establishment of institutional arrangements for transparency.

As a first step, an **initial assessment of transparency capacity needs** was undertaken in December 2022 to identify gaps, needs, and priorities of countries. This initial assessment serves as the basis for the development of the annual work plan for 2023 for the Climate Transparency Network to strengthen the Network countries' reporting capacities in key identified areas.

## Objective

The main objective of this inception meeting is to **introduce the CBIT-GSP project** to the members of the Climate Transparency Network for Spanish-Speaking Latin American and the Caribbean and **kick-off the Network activities** through the project work plan with proposed activities for 2023.

It is expected that the participants will **discuss the key findings** of the initial assessment of transparency capacities and **jointly agree on proposed activities in the Network for 2023** to support the Network countries' technical capacities on climate transparency and reporting in the region.

## Target Audience and Language

The inception meeting will gather CBIT-GSP focal points and national thematic experts by countries of the Climate Transparency Network for the different thematic areas of transparency (GHG inventories, NDC tracking and mitigation, adaptation and its impacts, and support needed and received), as well as other experts from national institutions related to climate change reports coordination and domestic MRV and transparency systems. Furthermore, the meeting also awaits representatives from international agencies involved in climate transparency efforts in the region, including UNFCCC, UNEP, PATPA, UNDP, ICAT, GHGMI, EUROCLIMA+ and FAO.

The meeting will be held in Spanish with simultaneous translation in English/Spanish.

## Duration and Registration

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

For participating, please complete the following registration form by **Tuesday 7 March 2023**  
<https://forms.gle/APUPc4oJcSQeDi476>

# Inception Meeting Agenda

Time	Session
15 minutes	<p><b>Opening session and welcoming remarks</b></p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Paulo Cornejo (CBIT-GSP Regional Network Coordinator)</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> John Christensen (UNEP-CCC Director) Miriam Hinostrroza (UNEP-CCC Liaison) Patricia Marcos Huidobro (GEF)</p>
15 minutes	<p><b>Introduction to the CBIT-GSP project: key objectives and expectations</b></p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> Fatima-Zahra Taibi (CBIT-GSP Global Coordinator)</p>
10 minutes	Sharing of views, questions and answers
15 minutes	<p><b>Initial Assessment of Transparency Capacities: key findings and perspectives for Spanish-Speaking Latin America and the Caribbean</b></p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> Paulo Cornejo (CBIT-GSP Regional Network Coordinator)</p>
15 minutes	Sharing of views, questions and answers
20 minutes	<p><b>2023 Work Plan Proposal: setting priorities and scheduling project activities</b></p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> Paulo Cornejo (CBIT-GSP Regional Network Coordinator)</p>
15 minutes	Sharing of views, questions and answers
15 minutes	<b>Wrap-up and closing remarks</b>

Time: 8:00-10:00 am Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico and Nicaragua  
 9:00-11:00 am Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Panama and Peru  
 10:00-12:00 am Bolivia and Dominican Republic  
 11:00-13:00 am Argentina, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay and Venezuela