

## Mutual Learning Program for Enhanced Transparency (MLP): Reporting of mitigation actions in the energy sector under Art.13 (Azerbaijan – Japan – Uzbekistan)

### Agenda for Kick-off Meeting

**Date:** July 5, 2023 (Wednesday)

**Time:** 15:00 to 16:45 in Japan Time (GMT+9) (10:00-11:45 Azerbaijan; 11:00-12:45 Uzbekistan)

**Venue:** Virtual meeting via Zoom

**Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81961063870?pwd=N3JNNmdnUmxiOHh1UFVnelJxNmFNdz09>

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**Language:** English with simultaneous translation to Russian

#### Participating organizations:

Ministry of the Environment, Japan (MOEJ); Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting (MURC); Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES), UNEP-CCC via its CBIT-GSP project, Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources (MENR) of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Azerbaijan Branch of the Regional Environmental Centre for the Caucasus (REC), Centre for Hydrometeorological Services of the Republic of Uzbekistan (Uzhydromet).

#### Objectives:

1. To discuss the objectives, process, and schedule of the MLP 2023-2024, including how to conduct the first exercise (i.e., Filling a common tabular format (CTF) for reporting mitigation actions in the energy sector)
2. To share the country status of a national system for tracking the implementation of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), that includes mitigation actions in each sector
3. To discuss how the MLP can be designed and implemented in the way that best matches with the interests and needs of participants

#### Program details (time expressed in Japan Time (GMT+9)):

15:00	Opening of the kick-off meeting	IGES
15:05	Opening session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Opening/welcoming remarks (2 min each)</li> <li>● Expression of interests (2 min each)</li> </ul>	Sadamitsu Sakoguchi (MOEJ), Fatima-Zahra Taibi (CBIT-GSP)  Yashar Karimov, Azerbaijan Branch of the Regional Environmental Centre for the Caucasus (REC)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Self-introduction of focal points in each organization</li> </ul> <p>Group photo</p>	<p>Raisa Taryannikova, Centre for Hydrometeorological Services of the Republic of Uzbekistan (Uzhydromet)</p> <p>Yashar Karimov, Azerbaijan Branch of the Regional Environmental Centre for the Caucasus (REC)</p> <p>Raisa Taryannikova (Centre for Hydrometeorological Services of the Republic of Uzbekistan (Uzhydromet) Chisa Umemiya (IGES) Representative from Azerbaijan and Uzbekistan</p>
15:20	<p>Introduction of the Mutual Learning Program (MLP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Objectives, process, and schedule of the MLP 2023-2024 (10 min)</li> <li>Overview of the modalities, procedures and guidelines for the enhanced transparency framework and its linkage to the MLP (10 min)</li> <li>Free discussion and feedback</li> </ul>	<p>Chisa Umemiya (IGES)</p> <p>Takashi Morimoto (MURC)</p> <p>All</p>
15:50	<p>Country status of a national system for tracking the implementation of NDCs (<i>See the presentation guidance below</i>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Azerbaijan (10 min)</li> <li>Japan (10 min)</li> <li>Uzbekistan (10min)</li> <li>Free discussion and feedback</li> </ul>	<p>Orkhan Bayramov, Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources Sadamitsu Sakoguchi(MOEJ) Lyudmila Shardakova (Centre for Hydrometeorological Services of the Republic of Uzbekistan) (Uzhydromet)</p>
16:30	<p>Next steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explanation of 1<sup>st</sup> exercise: Filling a common tabular format (CTF) for reporting mitigation actions in the energy sector</li> <li>Free discussion and feedback</li> </ul>	<p>Temuulen Murun (IGES)</p>
16:45	<p>Closing of the kick-off meeting</p>	<p>Nailia Timerkhanova (CBIT-GSP)</p>

Presentation guidance on “Country status of a national system for tracking the implementation of NDCs”:

- Background: In Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs), countries are requested to report on “Mitigation policies and measures, actions and plans” (hereafter we call simply mitigation actions in the MLP) under the section of “Information necessary to track progress made in implementing and achieving NDCs under Article 4 of the Paris Agreement”. This year’s MLP will focus on reporting of mitigation actions in the energy sector. Therefore, it is useful for participants to share as to how the national system for tracking the implementation and achievement of NDCs is currently being developed or planned in each country, and how the reporting of mitigation actions will be linked within that system. Since the development of such a system is under discussion/development in most countries, it is natural that we cannot share the full picture of the system yet. Also, we welcome participants to share a country’s experience with the preparation of Biennial Update Reports (BURs) to show how reporting of mitigation actions in each sector has been compiled, including challenges that they encountered.
- Presentation outline (participants are free to modify):
  - i. Background of national climate reporting
  - ii. Description of the national system for tracking the implementation of NDCs
    - ◇ Includes linkage with the reporting of mitigation actions in each sector (energy sector)
  - iii. Progress, challenges, improvement plans, lessons
- Presentation time can be around 10 minutes

**List of participants:**

Organization	Name	Title
<b>Azerbaijan</b>		
Azerbaijan Branch of the Regional Environmental Centre for the Caucasus (REC)	Mr.Yashar Karimov	Director
Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources	Mr.Orkhan Bayramov	Leading Specialist of the Environmental Division
<b>Japan</b>		
Ministry of Environment, Japan (MOEJ)	Mr.Sadamitsu Sakoguchi	Assistant Director, Office of Director for International Cooperation for Transition to Decarbonization and Sustainable Infrastructure
	Mr.Goshi Takeshita	Researcher, Office of Director for International Cooperation for Transition to Decarbonization and Sustainable Infrastructure
<b>Uzbekistan</b>		
Centre for Hydrometeorological Services of the Republic of Uzbekistan (Uzhydromet)	Ms. Raisa Taryannikova	Coordinator of the 4NC project
	Ms. Lyudmila Shardakova	Mitigation Expert
<b>Organizers/ secretariat</b>		
CBIT-GSP	Ms.Nailia Timerkhanova	Regional Network Coordinator for Central Asia and the Caucasus
	Ms.Fatima-Zahra Taibi	Senior Advisor
	Ms.Susanne Konrad	Project Officer
Mitsubishi UFJ research and Consulting (MURC)	Mr. Takashi Morimoto	Chief Analyst
	Ms. Maya Fukuda	Analyst
Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)	Dr. Chisa Umemiya	Research Manager
	Ms. Temuulen Murun	Researcher
	Ms. Ayumi Nagatomo	Administrative Assistant