

The Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency Global Support Programme (CBIT-GSP)

Capacity Assessment for Transparency: Key Findings, Gaps and Perspectives for Eurasia Region

Inception Workshop

07-November-2023

Objectives and Methodology

- **Objective:**

- To assess the transparency systems and related capacity needs of the countries of the Eurasia region to comply with the reporting requirements of the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement.

- **Methodology and approach:**

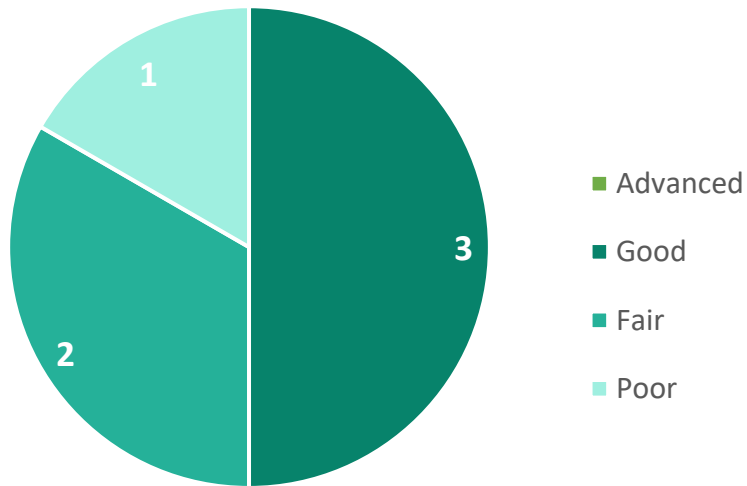
- Online questionnaire, referential check and desktop study and direct exchange with the country focal points.
- (i) GHG Inventory; (ii) NDC Tracking; (iii) Adaptation and Impacts, incl. Loss and Damage issues; (iv) Support Needed and Received.
- **8 countries in the Eurasia Region** of the regional network, 6 responded to the survey to date (end of Aug-2023): Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia and Turkey. Responses were provided by representatives from the national Ministries of Environment.

Appointment of Country Focal Points Network for the CBIT-GSP

ALL countries have appointed their project focal points and respective experts:

- Ministry of Tourism and Environment: Albania
- Republic Hydrometeorological Institute: Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture: Georgia
- Ministry of Environment: Moldova
- Ministry of Ecology, Spatial Planning and Urbanism: Montenegro
- Ministry of Environment: North Macedonia
- Ministry of Environmental Protection: Serbia
- Directorate of Climate Change: Turkey

Transparency System in the Eurasia

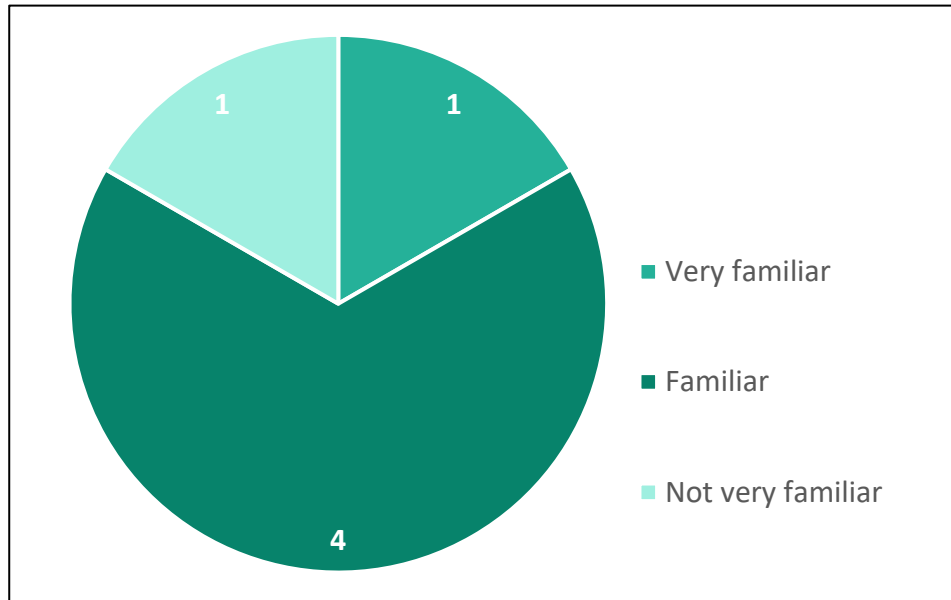


Good: Georgia, Moldova, Turkey
 Fair: North Macedonia, Serbia
 Poor: Bosnia and Herzegovina

Country	NC	BUR
Albania	4NCs	1BUR
Bosnia and Herzegovina	4NCs	3BURs
Georgia	4NCs	2BURs
Moldova	4NCs	3BURs
Montenegro	3NCs	3BURs
North Macedonia	4NCs	3BURs
Serbia	3NCs	2BUR -under submission
Turkey	8NCs	5BRs

Implementing the ETF and Preparation for the BTR

Familiarity with ETF and BTR provisions

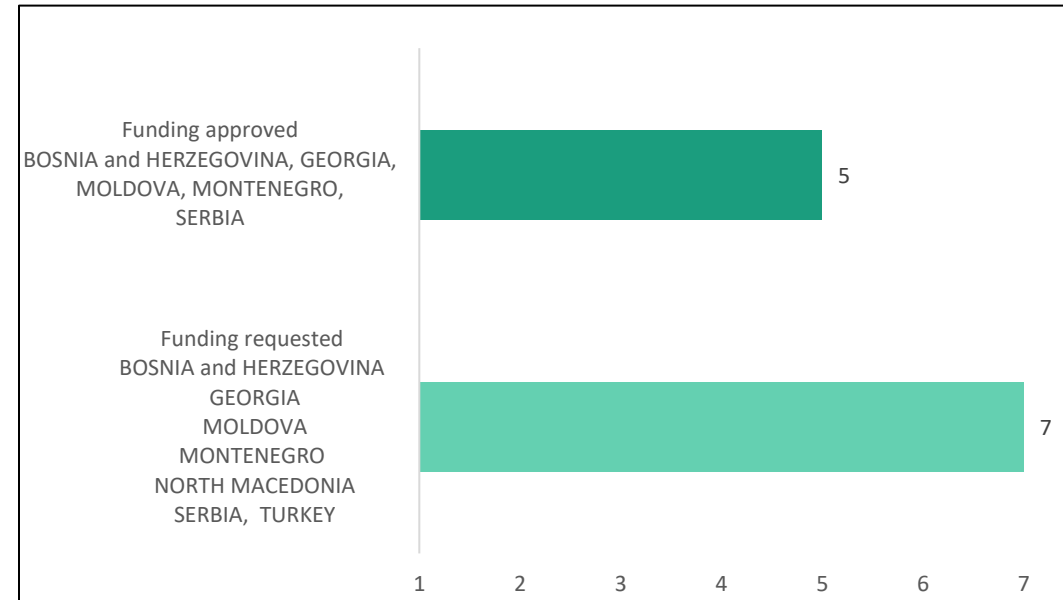


Very Familiar: **Georgia**

Familiar: **Moldova, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Turkey**

Not Very Familiar: **North Macedonia**

Status of Funding Requests for BTR from GEF

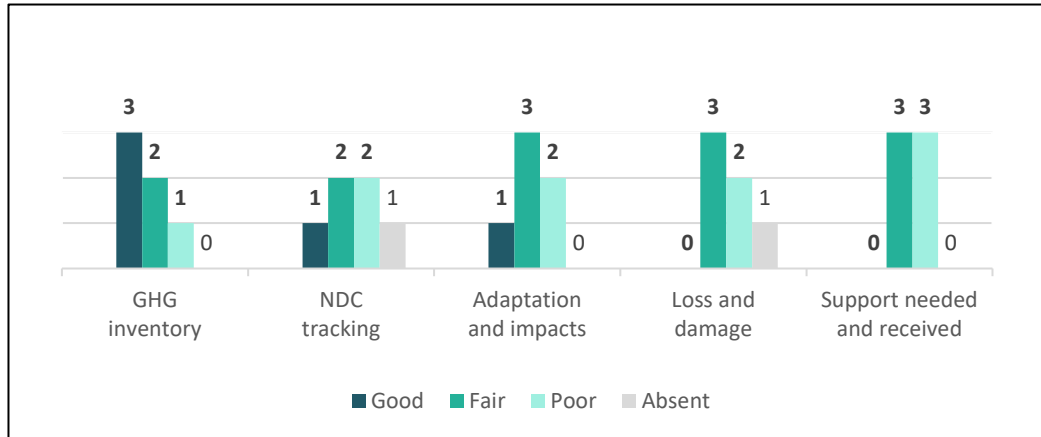


Funding requested: **Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Moldova, North Macedonia, Serbia, Turkey**

Funding approved: **Bosnia and Herzegovina, Moldova, Montenegro, Georgia, Serbia**

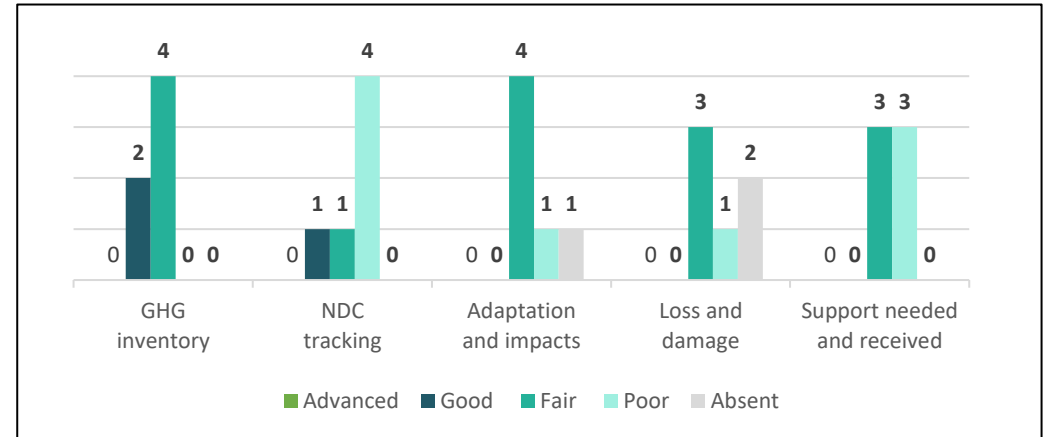
Capacities related to the four ETF Reporting Areas

Institutional Arrangements on ETF Reporting Areas



- Lack of institutional and technical capacity
- Lack coordination of governmental institutions
- Lack of understanding of the reporting requirements

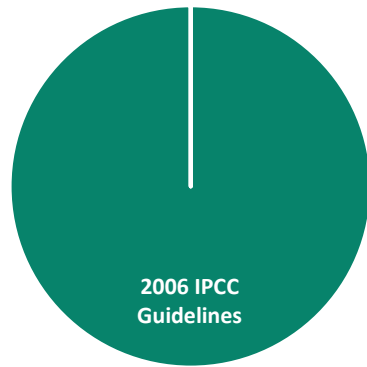
Technical Capacities to collect data/track progress on ETF Reporting Areas



- Project-based reporting
- Lack of data and information, lack of data management or database
- Limited training opportunities on transparency- lack of sustainable capacity building

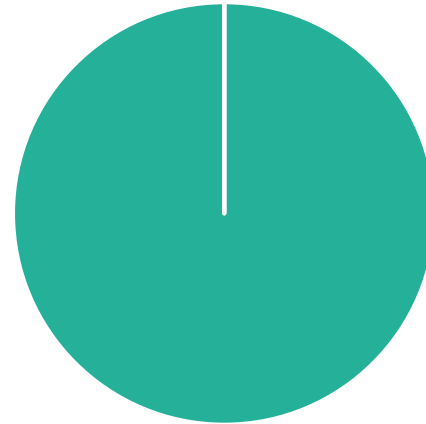
Assessment of Capacities in GHG Inventory

Use of IPCC Guidelines in Eurasia



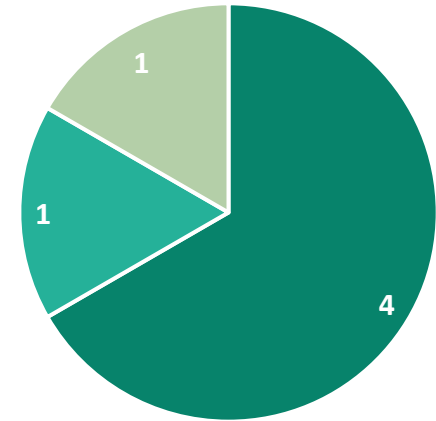
All countries use the 2006 IPCC Guidelines

Use of IPCC software in the Eurasia



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Status of QA/QC procedures in the Eurasia

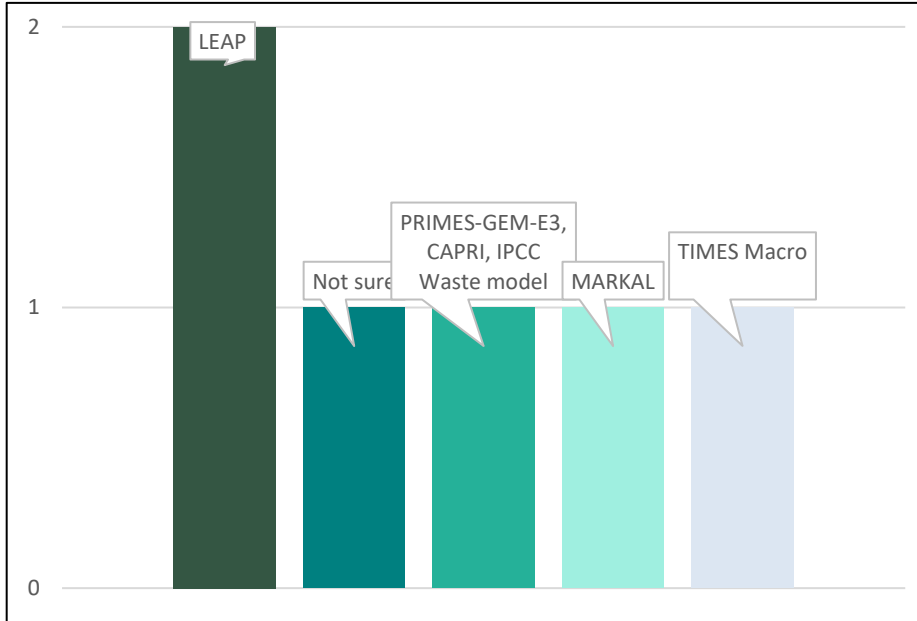


Yes/operational: Georgia, Moldova, North Macedonia, Turkey
Partially: Serbia

No: Bosnia and Herzegovina

Assessment of Capacities in NDC Tracking and Modelling Tools

Modelling Tools Used for NDC



LEAP: **Georgia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Moldova (not sure)**

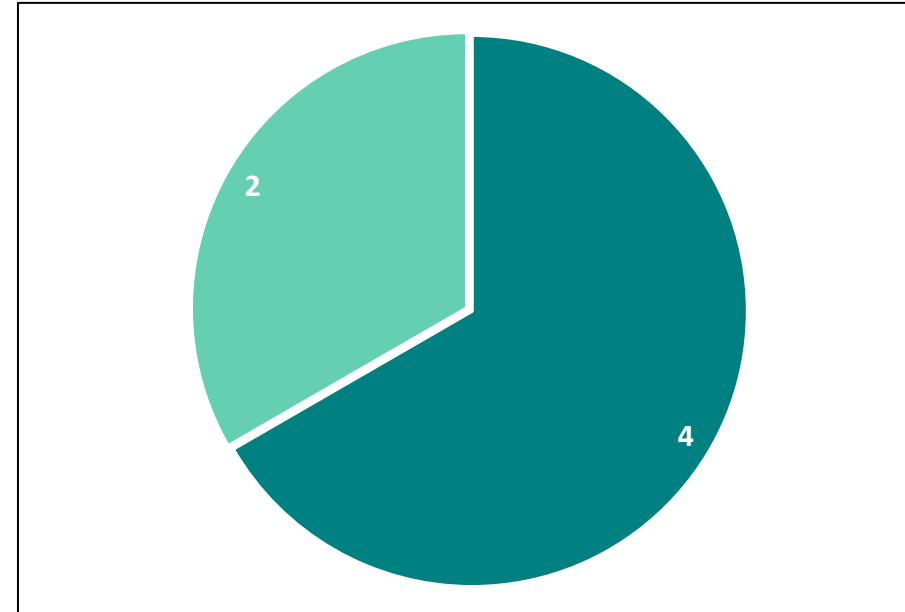
Markal: **North Macedonia**

PRIMES-GEM-E3, CAPRI, IPCC Waste Model: **Serbia**

TIMES Macro: **Turkey**

Not sure: **Moldova**

Availability of NDC Indicators

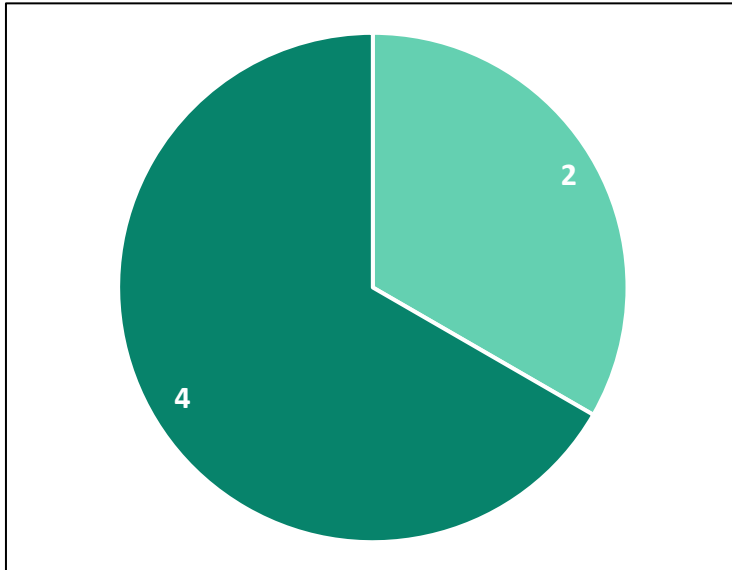


Yes: **Georgia, Moldova, Serbia, North Macedonia**

No: **Bosnia and Herzegovina, Turkey**

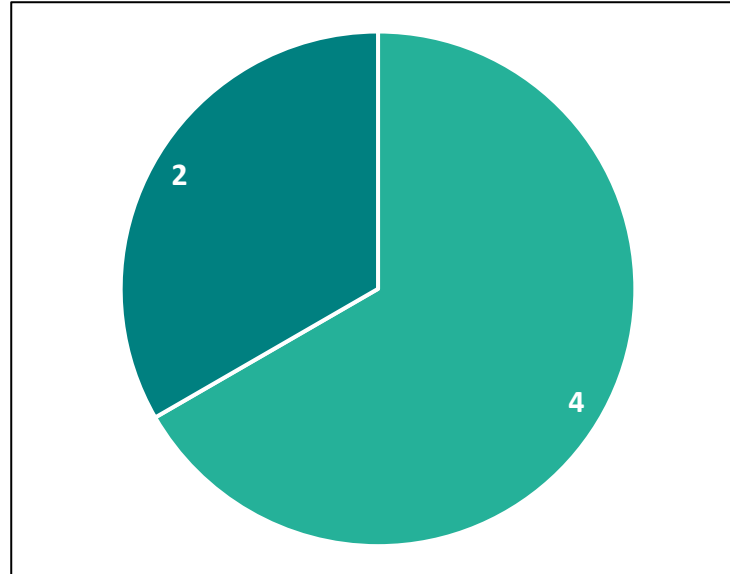
Assessment of Capacities in Adaptation, Impacts and Loss & Damage

Domestic Systems to monitor Adaptation Actions



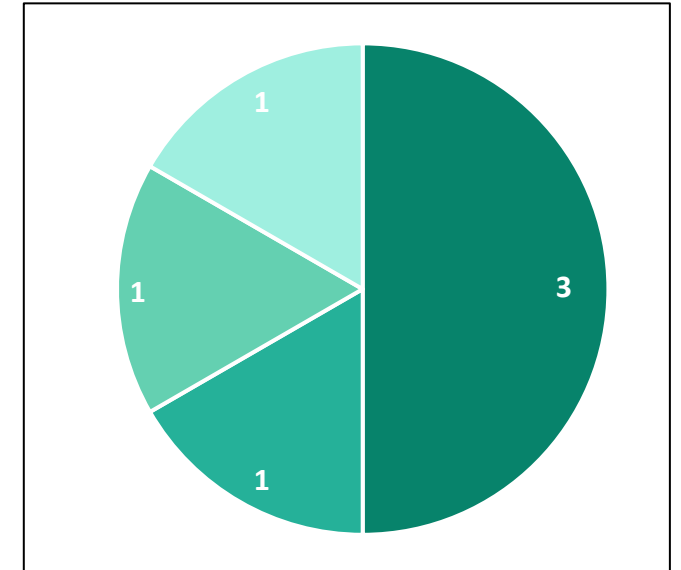
Yes: ---
 Partially: **Moldova, North Macedonia, Serbia and Turkey**
 No: **Bosnia and Herzegovina and Georgia**

NAP Status in the Eurasia



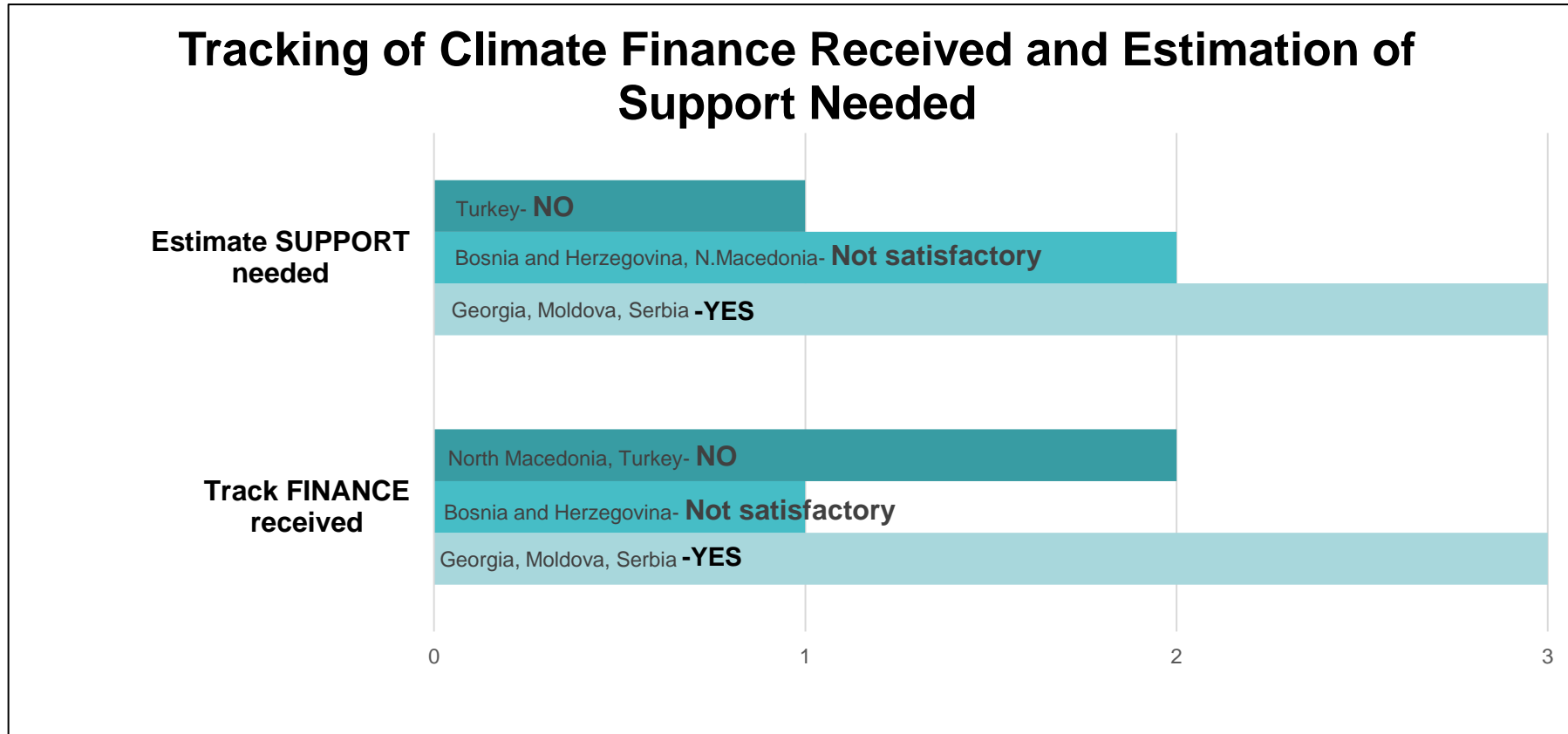
NAP Completed: **Bosnia and Herzegovina, Turkey**
 NAP In Progress: **Georgia, Moldova, North Macedonia, Serbia**

Assessment of Loss and Damage



Started: **Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Serbia**
 Initiated: **North Macedonia**
 Considering to start: **Turkey**
 Not started: **Moldova**

Assessment of State in Tracking of Support Received/Needed

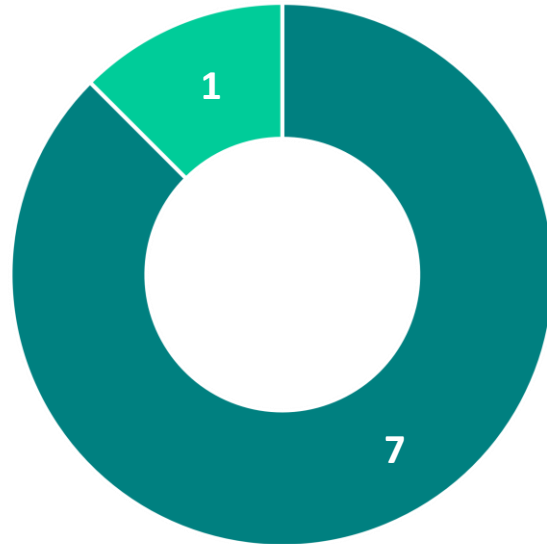


Yes: **Georgia, Moldova, Serbia**

NO/not satisfactory: **Turkey, N. Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina**

Gender Mainstreaming

UNFCCC Gender Focal Points



- YES-Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Turkey
- NO-Moldova

Advanced Status of Gender Mainstreaming in Eurasia:

- Most of the countries appointed UNFCCC Gender Focal points
- Supporting gender equality
- Sex disaggregated data
- Dedicated gender indicators

Key Take-away Messages of the Capacity Needs Assessment

- Although countries are **well familiar with ETF**, significant support is needed to build **institutional and technical capacity** to understand **ETF requirements and report through BTR**
- **BTR is highly prioritized** – 5 countries initiated the process
- Main challenges in the region: **data** management, insufficient **institutional arrangements** and **technical capacities, NDC tracking**

Key Take-away Messages of the Capacity Needs Assessment

- **GHG Inventory** is not highly prioritized by the most of countries with exception of LULUCF sector (Montenegro, Georgia)
- **NDC tracking** require capacity building especially for projections/modeling (**four** countries developed indicators)
- **Adaptation and Impacts** – Support to Monitoring the adaptation actions is vital (partial or non existing domestic tracking systems)
- Reporting on **Loss and Damage** – The most of the countries started assessing losses and damages
- Track **finance** received/**support** needed: prioritized by most of countries, especially in terms of climate finance tracking systems

Priority Support needs for the Eurasia

Section	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Georgia	Moldova	Montenegro	North Macedonia	Serbia	Turkey
Capacity Building on ETF							
GHG Inventory							
NDC Tracking							
Adaptation and Impacts							
Loss and Damage							
Support Needed and Received							
Other/Specific	Development of QA/QC Review of GHG Inventory MRV Systems	GHG-LULUCF Climate Finance tracking systems	Climate Finance tracking systems Gender actions	GHG-LULUCF GHG emission projections Climate projections		Climate Finance reporting	Climate Finance tracking and reporting

Overview

The CBIT-GSP offers targeted transparency support to countries to cover specific needs for transparency in all areas of the Enhanced Transparency Framework. The support is tailored to a country's needs and could include, among other, trainings on specific topics (e.g., IPCC software), quality reviews of transparency reports or any other hands-on support for transparency-related matters (e.g., filling of reporting tables). If your country requires targeted support for transparency, you can fill the "Request for Support Template" on this page and return it to us or to your dedicated Network Coordinator of the Regional Transparency Network, that your country is part of. You can also reach out to your Regional Transparency Network Coordinator directly to help you with filling the template and defining the specific support need.

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REQUEST FOR SUPPORT ON CLIMATE TRANSPARENCY¹

1. NATIONAL CONTACT

Country [Click here to enter text.](#)

Contact name [Click here to enter text.](#)

Email [Click here to enter text.](#)

Position [Click here to enter text.](#)

Institution [Click here to enter text.](#)

2. INFORMATION ON SUPPORT REQUESTED

Title of activity *Please include a title that summarises the specific topic of the support request.*
[Click here to enter text.](#)

Objective and description *Please describe the objective of the support requested, e.g., improving institutional arrangements, developing specific technical capacities, etc. and how the requested support will address the country's needs in enhanced climate transparency?*
[Click here to enter text.](#)

Time frame *Please describe the expected time frame of the support requested, e.g., from May to September 2023, October 2023.*
[Click here to enter text.](#)

Recipient entity *Please describe the recipient entity of the support requested.*
[Click here to enter text.](#)

Area *Please choose the relevant area(s) of support that is being requested.*

Institutional arrangements for transparency

Report development (Natcom, BUR, BTR, NIR, etc.)

GHG inventory NDC tracking Mitigation actions

Adaptation and impacts Loss and damages Support needed/received

Other (please specify) [Click here to specify.](#)

Channel *Please choose the channel of support that is being requested.*

Multilateral cooperation Bilateral cooperation Regional cooperation

Webinar Online workshop or training In-country workshop or training

Peer-review or simulation of ICA process Hands-on expert support Consultancy services

¹ This concept note has been developed in line with [Table III.3 of Annex III \(Decision 5/CMA.3\)](#) in order to support countries for reporting information on support received for implementation on Article 13 of the Paris Agreement on transparency-related activities, including for transparency-related capacity-building.

Other (please specify) [Click here to enter text.](#)

Use, impact and estimated results *Please describe the expected use, impacts and estimated results of the support requested.*
[Click here to enter text.](#)

Additional information (Current context and reason for requesting the support) *Please shortly describe the current context of transparency in your country in which this support will come in and explain the reasons for requiring support in this specific area. Please also state if you have received or receiving similar support in this area (e.g., CBIT, GEF Enabling Activities, ICAT, UNDP, RedInGEI, GSP).*
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3. PROPOSED ACTIVITIES AND ESTIMATED BUDGET

Please provide a description of the proposed activities and the estimated budget for the requested support, including country's co-financing.

Activity 1 (Date). XXX...

Activity 2 (Date). XXX...

Activity N (Date). XXX...

Table 1. Estimated budget for the requested support

Item/activity	Amount	Cost (USD)	Subtotal (USD)
CBIT-GSP financing			
Item 1.	Amount.	0,000.	0,000.
Item 2.	Amount.	0,000.	0,000.
Item 3.	Amount.	0,000.	0,000.
Item 4.	Amount.	0,000.	0,000.
Item 5.	Amount.	0,000.	0,000.
(1) Total CBIT-GSP financing			0,000.
Country Co-financing			
Item 1.	Amount.	0,000.	0,000.
Item 2.	Amount.	0,000.	0,000.
Item 3.	Amount.	0,000.	0,000.
Item 4.	Amount.	0,000.	0,000.
(2) Total Country Co-financing			0,000.
(3) TOTAL (1)+(2)			0,000.

Note: Table 1 can be completed with support from CBIT-GSP Regional Network Coordinator

Thank you for your attention!

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