

## Draft Workshop Agenda

### Training workshop on transitioning to the ETF and tracking of progress in implementing and achieving NDCs for Asia Region

8-10 March 2023  
Singapore

Day 1: Transitioning from MRV towards ETF		Moderation
8:30 – 09:00	<b>Registration</b>	
09:00 – 09:30	<b>Welcome and opening remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joseph Teo, Chief Negotiator for Climate Change, Ministry of Sustainability and Environment, Singapore</li> <li>• Jigme, Manager, Transparency Division, UNFCCC secretariat</li> <li>• Christopher Sherry, Environmental Protection Agency, US</li> </ul>	
09:30 – 10:15	<b>Introduction:</b> Objectives and programme of the training workshop, tour de table <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jigme, Manager, Transparency Division, UNFCCC secretariat</li> </ul> <b>Ice breaker:</b> Mentimeter quiz! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tibor Lindovsky, Programme Officer, Transparency Division, UNFCCC secretariat</li> </ul>	
10:15 – 10:30	<b>Coffee break</b>	
10:30 – 11:30	<b>Presentation:</b> Overview of the latest outcomes on ETF and transition from MRV to the ETF  <i>(This session will introduce latest outcomes on ETF and the implementation towards the ETF, including how the ETF is building on and enhancing the existing MRV arrangements under the Convention)</i> <b>Q&amp;A session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cheah Sin Liang, National Climate Change Secretariat, Singapore</li> </ul>	
11:30 – 12:30	<b>Open discussion based on guiding questions:</b> Regional overview on preparing for the ETF, including the first BTRs  <i>(Based on the guiding questions, participants will be invited to share their plans, challenges, and opportunities in preparing and submitting the first BTRs)</i>	Esteban Bermúdez Forn (GEF)
12:30 – 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:30 – 14:30	<b>Case presentations:</b> Countries will present ongoing projects on capacity building for ETF and/or tracking progress of their NDC  <i>(Participants will be invited to share their plans and/or projects on enhancing their capacities to implement the ETF, including tracking progress of their NDC in the context of BTR preparation)</i>	Moderated by Jaypalsinh Chauhan (UNEP CCC)

	<b>Q&amp;A session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mongolia</li> <li>• Viet Nam</li> </ul>	
14:30 – 14:45	<b>Coffee break</b>	
14:45 – 15:45	<b>Case presentations:</b> Countries will present ongoing projects on capacity building for ETF and/or tracking progress of their NDC <i>(Participants will be invited to share their plans and/or projects on enhancing their capacities to implement the ETF, including tracking progress of their NDC in the context of BTR preparation)</i> <b>Q&amp;A session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bhutan</li> <li>• Bangladesh</li> <li>• Maldives</li> </ul>	Moderated by Temuulen Murun (IGES)
15:45 – 16:00	<b>End of day 1:</b> Wrap up of day 1 and overview of day 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cheah Sin Liang, National Climate Change Secretariat, Singapore</li> </ul>	
<b>Day 2: Getting ready to prepare BTRs, including tracking progress of NDCs</b>		<b>Moderation</b>
9:00 – 10:00	<b>Presentation:</b> Introduction to the BTR outline and key elements related to tracking progress of NDCs <i>(Presentation will introduce the outline of the BTR and provide an overview of key elements related to tracking progress of NDCs)</i> <b>Q&amp;A session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tibor Lindovsky, Programme Officer, Transparency Division, UNFCCC secretariat</li> <li>• Christopher Sherry, Environmental Protection Agency, US</li> </ul>	
10:00 – 10:15	<b>Coffee break</b>	
10:15 – 12:00	<b>Hands-on exercise/group work:</b> Rapid assessment of readiness to prepare BTRs, including tracking progress made in implementing and achieving NDCs <i>(Participants will use a tool which allows them to do a rapid assessment of readiness to prepare the first BTRs, including tracking progress made in implementing and achieving their NDCs.)</i>	Moderated by the UNFCCC, supported by Singapore and the US
12:00 – 13:00	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:00 – 13:30	<b>Plenary discussion:</b> Report back of reflections on the hands-on exercise/group work by selected participants	Moderated by the UNFCCC
13:30 – 14:30	<b>Presentation:</b> Reporting information on tracking progress of NDCs, including identifying indicators for tracking NDC progress <i>(Overview presentation on identifying indicators for tracking NDC progress and the basic process for tracking those indicators over time to demonstrate progress in achieving an NDC)</i> <b>Q&amp;A session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christopher Sherry, Environmental Protection Agency, US</li> </ul>	

14:30 – 14:45	<b>Coffee break</b>	
14:45 – 16:00	<b>Group work:</b> Group exercise for identifying indicators for illustrative NDC types and filling out tracking progress information in structured summary CTF based on those indicators	Moderated by Christopher Sherry (US EPA)
16:00 – 16:30	<b>Plenary discussion:</b> Report back on the group work and discussion on the challenges and gaps in compiling and managing the relevant information for accounting and reporting on progress of NDCs	Moderated by Christopher Sherry (US EPA)
16:30 – 16:45	<b>End of day 2:</b> Wrap up of day 2 and overview of day 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jigme, Transparency Division, UNFCCC Secretariat</li> </ul>	
<b>Day 3: Enhancing institutional arrangements to support ETF implementation</b>		<b>Moderation</b>
9:00 – 9:45	<b>Presentation:</b> Institutional arrangements to support implementation of the ETF <i>(Presentation will introduce the key components of institutional arrangements and how these arrangements can support implementation of the ETF)</i> <b>Q&amp;A session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tibor Lindovsky, Programme Officer, Transparency Division, UNFCCC secretariat</li> </ul>	
09:45 – 10:00	<b>Coffee break</b>	
10:00 – 12:00	<b>Case presentations:</b> Needs, areas of improvement and how to address associated challenges <i>(Participants will present their experience with the ICA process under the existing MRV arrangements, provide information on identified areas of improvement, share lessons learned and discuss how the existing arrangements can be enhanced to support the implementation of the ETF and address needs and gaps for reporting)</i> <b>Q&amp;A session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sri Lanka</li> <li>• Lao</li> <li>• Thailand</li> </ul>	Moderated by Jigme, (UNFCCC)
12:00 – 13:00	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:00 – 15:00	<b>Presentations followed by an open discussion:</b> Available support opportunities and associated needs and challenges of developing countries in the region <i>(Support providers will present the types of support that are available to assist developing countries in the region in their efforts to implement the ETF, and share their experiences of identifying and addressing the associated capacity-building needs and challenges)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christopher Sherry, Environmental Protection Agency, US</li> <li>• Temuulen Murun, Climate and Energy Area, IGES</li> <li>• Jaypalsinh Chauhan, UNEP CCC</li> <li>• Esteban Bermúdez Forn, Climate Change Specialist, GEF</li> </ul>	Moderated by Cheah Sin Liang (Singapore)

15:00 – 15:10	<b>Short break</b>	
15:10 – 16:10	<p><b>Presentations followed by an open discussion:</b> Available support opportunities and associated needs and challenges of developing countries in the region</p> <p><i>(Support providers will present the types of support that are available to assist developing countries in the region in their efforts to implement the ETF, and share their experiences of identifying and addressing the associated capacity-building needs and challenges)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mirella Salvatore, FAO <i>(virtual)</i></li> <li>• Roziya Kirgizbekova, PATPA <i>(virtual)</i></li> <li>• Siddhartha Nauduri, GGGI <i>(virtual)</i></li> </ul>	Moderated by Cheah Sin Liang (Singapore)
16:10 – 16:30	<p><b>Closing of the workshop:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jigme, Manager, Transparency Division, UNFCCC</li> <li>• Cheah Sin Liang, NCCS, Singapore</li> <li>• Christopher Sherry, Environmental Protection Agency, US</li> </ul> <p><b>Family photo</b></p>	
16:30 – 16:45	<b>Final coffee break</b>	