

# Annual Network Meeting for the Countries of Anglophone Africa: Achievements and Plans for 2024

-- Online Meeting --

Time: **14:00 – 16:00 EAT time** | Date: **Thursday, January 18, 2024** | Format: **Online**

## Background

In 2023, the CBIT-GSP Regional Network for Anglophone Africa enjoyed numerous capacity-building events for transparency, including regional and country-based training, learning sessions, webinars, and exchange meetings.

Just a reflection, the Anglophone Africa Network 2023 annual work plan was initially informed by a comprehensive capacity needs assessment conducted during the project's early stages. This plan was continually refined to align with network member countries' evolving needs and priorities. The regional networks convene annually to review progress and plan for the ensuing year to ensure ongoing relevance and effectiveness. The yearly meeting network is crucial as it offers a collaborative forum for member countries to discuss, identify, and agree upon the network's priorities, thereby directly influencing the annual work plan focusing on key priorities of the nations.

This year's annual meeting will focus on learning about key results and achievements, discuss the effectiveness of the activities, how they have helped the countries to refine their reporting process under the Paris Agreement, and what lessons the countries have learned from the support provided by CBIT-GSP and in collaboration with other partner organizations. It is also essential to plan future activities, which will be implemented in 2024, and discuss the areas of support based on the current needs of the countries of Anglophone Africa.

The year 2024 is quite important for developing the first BTRs and the countries step into the active phase of reporting on their GHG Inventory, NDC Tracking, Mitigation and Adaptation Measures, Support Needed and Received, etc. The CBIT-GSP intends to support the countries in this important process by capacitating the national experts on key reporting areas of BTR, reviewing the GHG Inventories and providing a platform for sharing best practices and lessons learned on ETF.

## Objective

The main objective of the Annual Meeting of the Anglophone Africa Network is to assess progress on implementing the 2023 workplan and present and discuss the draft workplan *with proposed activities for 2024*.

The participants are expected to discuss and jointly agree on proposed network activities in **2024**.

## Target Audience and Language

The annual meeting will gather all network members, including Coordinators/managers of enabling activities, CBIT and other transparency projects, transparency practitioners, and national climate focal points. The meeting will be held in English.

## Duration and Registration

The meeting is expected to last up to **2 hours**, with sufficient time for discussion and Q&A sessions.

## Agenda

| Time          | Session   |
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| 14:00 – 14:10 | <p><b>Opening session and welcoming remarks</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Sheila Kiconco, Network Coordinator</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Ms. Fatima-Zahra Taibi, CBIT-GSP Global Coordinator</p>  |
| 14:10 – 14:30 | <p><b>Key achievements and results of the CBIT-GSP in 2023 for the transparency network of Anglophone Africa</b></p> <p><b>Speaker:</b> Ms. Sheila Kiconco, Network Coordinator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Q&amp;A Session</li> <li>- Mentimeter survey</li> </ul>  |
| 14:30 - 14:50 | <p><b>Interventions from the countries</b></p> <p><b>Guiding questions:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How does CBIT-GSP support help your country refine national climate reporting?</li> <li>2. What are the main lessons learned from the support activity?</li> <li>3. What are the areas of improvement for the CBIT-GSP's support activities?</li> </ol> <p><b>Key speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Clifford Mkanthama, on behalf of Malawi</li> <li>- Andrew Jean-Louis, on behalf of Seychelles</li> <li>- Smangele Mahlinza, on behalf of Eswatini</li> </ul> |
| 14:50 - 15:10 | <p><b>Country transparency actions in 2024:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- What is your country's status for the first BTR preparedness?</li> <li>- Will you be able to submit your BTR by the end of 2024?</li> <li>- What are the main challenges in meeting the deadline?</li> <li>- What critical support do you need to adjust to the deadline?</li> <li>- Do you plan to have a BTR road map development?</li> </ul>  |

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|               | <i>Mentimeter and inputs from the countries</i>   |
| 15:10 - 15:15 | <b>Group Photo</b>  |
| 15:15 - 15:35 | <b>Presentation of the annual work plan for the transparency network for 2024</b><br><b>Speaker:</b> Ms. Sheila Kiconco, Network Coordinator  |
| 15:35 - 15:45 | <b>Discussion and interventions from the countries</b><br><br><b>Guiding questions:</b><br><i>1. To what extent do the proposed activities for 2024 match your country's priorities?</i><br><i>2. Are there other needs that have been covered in Workplan 2024?</i><br><br>Key speakers:<br>- On behalf of Mauritius<br>- On behalf of South Africa<br>- On behalf of South Sudan<br>- Other countries |
| 15:45- 15:50  | <i>Mentimeter survey</i>  |
| 15:50 - 16:00 | <b>Wrap-up and closing</b>  |