**CONCEPT NOTE**

**REQUEST FOR SUPPORT ON CLIMATE TRANSPARENCY**

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| *Please insert a title that summarises the specific topic of the support request.*  Capacity building to support development of the BTR roadmap for Lesotho |

1. **Contact data**

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1. **Support requested.**

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| **Area** | *Please choose the relevant area(s) of support that is being requested.*   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Institutional arrangements for transparency | | | | GHG Inventory | NDC tracking | Mitigation actions | | Adaptation and impacts | Loss and damage | Support needed/received | | Report development (NC, BUR, BTR, NIR, etc.) | | Other (please specify) |   Click here to specify. |
| **Type** | *Please choose the type of support that is being requested.*   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Bilateral cooperation | Multilateral cooperation | Webinar | | In-country workshop/training | Online workshop/training | Peer-review or simulation of ICA process | | Hands-on expert support | Consultancy services | Other (please specify) |   Click here to enter text. |
| **Objective** | *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?*  To support Lesotho technically in the generation of a country-specific roadmap for the planning, elaboration, and presentation of the first BTR through the effective application of the PATPA/FAO BTR tool. |
| **Expected outcome** | *Please describe the expected outcome of the support requested.*  Lesotho country-specific roadmap for the planning, elaboration, and presentation of the first BTR through the effective application of the PATPA/FAO BTR tool. |

1. **Current context and reason for requesting the support**

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| *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).*  Currently, the country is in the process of preparing the BTR to submit it by the end of 2024. The country is aware of the fulfillment of the requirements of the Paris Agreement (PA) which has established an Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) to build trust and confidence around global efforts to combat climate change. The country will follow the modalities, procedures, and guidelines (MPGs) which were adopted to operationalize the ETF, which demand Parties to submit their first Biennial Transparency Report (BTR) by 2024, with flexibility for Least Developed Countries and Small Islands Developing Countries. |

1. **Proposed activities and estimated budget**

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| *Please provide a description of the proposed activities and the estimated budget for the requested support, including country’s co-financing.*   * Facilitate improved reporting and transparency over time. * Know the current situation and identify information gaps in technical capacities and the institutional arrangements necessary to develop BTRs. * Promote technical and institutional capacity for the planning, preparation, management, and presentation of BTRs and other reports on climate change. * Make the work teams aware of their roles and responsibilities and involve them from the beginning in the BTR development process. * Support long-term planning regarding preparing BTRs and implementing the national transparency system.   **Table 1.: Estimated budget for the requested support**   | ***Item/activity*** | ***Amount*** | ***Cost (USD)*** | ***Subtotal (USD)*** | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **CBIT-GSP financing** |  |  |  | | BTR roadmap tool | Amount. | 0,000. | 0,000. | | NDC tracking | Amount. | 0,000. | 0,000. | | Monte Carlo Simulation | Amount. | 0,000. | 0,000. | | GHG projections | Amount. | 0,000. | 0,000. | | Loss and Damage Data | 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* |