Regional Network Coordinators Meeting

-- In-person meeting --

Time: **10:00 – 16:00 (Tokyo time) |** Date: **May 19, 2024, UNU, Tokyo, Japan**

Background

The Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency – Global Support Programme (the CBIT-GSP) is a five-year global project, funded by the Global Environment Facility (GEF), implemented by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and executed by the UNEP – Copenhagen Climate Center (UNEP-CCC).

The main objective of the CBIT-GSP is to **provide streamlined support and capacity-building** at the national, regional, and global level to assist developing countries in responding to the reporting provisions under the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement's Enhanced Transparency Framework, and ultimately increase ambition for climate action.

The CBIT-GSP has established 10 Regional Networks across the globe to foster south-south collaboration, knowledge-sharing and learning among countries. The Regional Networks support the following regions: **Anglophone Africa, Anglophone Caribbean, Asia, Central Asia and the Caucasus, Eurasia, Middle East and North Africa (MENA), the Pacific, Francophone and Lusophone country networks**. The latter two are supported in collaboration with UNDP.

With their emphasis on south-south learning, the Regional Networks are a crucial key element of the project, with each of the networks having a dedicated Regional Network Coordinator to engage countries, cultivate the networks and drive the work forward.

The meeting is targeted for 10 Regional Network coordinators of the CBIT-GSP project, who intend to gather for the Global Transparency Forum, which will held on 20-21 of May 2024. The meeting is preceding the Forum, to personally meet and discuss the way of strengthening the collaborative actions for transparency across the networks.

Objective

The main objective of the in-person regional network coordinators meeting is to **exchange of experience on best practices, approaches and tools**, used by various regional networks under the CBIT-GSP project, and to strengthen the south-south cooperation for transparency.

It is expected that the meeting will result in **designing the transparency action plan** with capacity building interventions and exchange of experience events determined under various regional networks for 2024-2025.

Target Audience and Language

The meeting is targeted for 10 regional network coordinators and the team of the global CBIT-GSP project. The event will be held **in English**.

Proposed Agenda

Time (Tokyo)	Session	Moderatos/ Speaker
10:00 – 10:15	**Opening session and introduction**	**Fatima-Zahra Taibi, CBIT-GSP Global Coordinator** All coordinators
10:15 – 11:00	**Assessment of internal capacities of the Regional Network Coordinators** This session will provide an insight to the self-assessment of the coordinators' knowledge and experience on every aspect of the transparency, incl. GHG Inventory and Mitigation/NDC Tracking, Adaptation, Support, etc. **Speakers:** - All coordinators (3-4 min per each)	**Sladjana Bundalo, Eurasia** All coordinators (interactive way)
11:00 – 12:30	**Good practices, experience, approach and models** The session will reflect the best practices, approaches and models, which the regional coordinators use in their work with the countries. What works and what does not? **Speakers:** - **Paulo Cornejo**: BTR roadmap development approach and GHG Inventory forms (10 min) - **Sheila Kiconco:** Multi-country experience exchange within the national CBIT projects (10 min) - **Nailia Timerkhanova:** Regional cooperation with other implementing agencies on transparency in Central Asia and the Caucasus (10 min) - **Gonçalo Cavalheiro:** Peer review of BURs and preparation for ICA for Lusophone network (10 min)	**Brittany Meighan, Anglophone Caribbean** (slides or interactive way of presentation)

	- **Jaypal Chauhan**: GHG inventory review, filling of CRT tables, handling missing data in reporting (10 min) - **Sladjana Bundalo:** Mutual Learning Programme (MLP) as a great modality for countries support (10 min) *Interaction and Q&A session*	
12:30 – 14:00	**Lunch**	
14:00 – 15:30	**Enhancing South-South cooperation and Intra-regional network coordination** The session aims to discuss the ways of cooperation between the regional networks on areas, requiring transparency support via exchange of experience events or in-country support activities. The coordinators will try to harness opportunities in strengthening communities of practice on key transparency topics and generating joint knowledge products. It is expected that the **intra-regional transparency action plan for 2024-2025** will be drafted as a result of this session. **Contributors:** - All coordinators	Keltoum Ait Belhaj, MENA All coordinators in an interactive way
15:30 – 15:45	**Next steps**	**Khetsiwe Khumalo, CBIT-GSP Transparency Officer**
15:45 – 16:00	**Wrap-up and closure of the meeting**	