

BTR planning and development process using the BTR Road Map Tool

MENA Webinar Series 2024

Time: **10:00 – 11:30 GMT** | Date: **Thursday, June 6th, 2024** | Format: **Virtual**

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Background

The Paris Agreement, adopted in 2015, introduced an Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) with the aim of promoting trust and clarity among Parties and tracking progress towards achieving the goals of the Agreement. The modalities, procedures, and guidelines (MPGs) for the ETF as contained in decision 18/CMA.1 and the guidance for operationalizing the MPGs as contained in decision 5/CMA.3 apply to all Parties but consider their differing capacities. With the launch of the strengthened transparency framework of the Paris Agreement, all countries are called upon to submit their first biennial transparency report (BTR) by December 2024. In recognition of their national circumstances, LDCs/ SIDS are offered additional discretion in reporting, where they can choose to submit the information in their Biennial Transparency Reports (BTR) at their discretion.

2024 is therefore crucial for countries to develop and report their first BTRs. This information gathered through the BTRs will feed into the global stock take, assessing collective progress toward long term climate goals. The transition to BTRs and MPGs will involve increasing the quantity, detail, and rigor of information to be submitted, mainly for developing countries. For this reason, it is of the utmost importance that countries begin to internalize the new requirements for timely, transparent, and quality reporting to the UNFCCC as soon as possible.

To this end, CBIT-GSP intends to support the countries in this important process by bringing national experts together on key reporting areas of BTR, reviewing the GHG inventories, and providing a platform for sharing best practices and lessons learned on ETF.

Objective

By the end of this webinar, participants will gain insights into the transition process of the Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs) planning and development using the BTR Roadmap Tool developed by PATPA and FAO.

Participants will have the opportunity to exchange experiences and lessons learned among experts from the Middle East and North Africa Transparency Network.

Target Audience and Language

The virtual exchange will bring together relevant national transparency focal points (CBIT-GSP focal points and thematic experts from the Climate Transparency Network countries), and other Transparency stakeholders such as coordinators of National Communications, BURs and BTRs, senior experts from the national agencies dealing with climate reporting involved in data collection and Greenhouse Gas Inventory, NDC tracking, adaptation and impacts, Support Needed and Received (climate finance, Technology Transfer and Capacity Building).

The meeting will be conducted in **English**. However, participants are free to communicate in the language of their preference, whether it be **Arabic, English, or French**.

Duration and Time Zones

The webinar will last **1H30 min (10:00- 11:30 GMT Time)** with sufficient timing dedicated to discussion and Q&A sessions. The exact time of the webinar in your country can be seen below:

Countries	Time
Mauritania	10:00-11:30 am (GMT)
Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco	11:00-12:30 am (GMT+1)
Libya, Saudi Arabia, Sudan	12:00-13:30 am (GMT+2)
Bahrain, Djibouti, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Kuwait, Somalia, Syria, Yemen	13:00-14:30 am (GMT+3)
Oman	14:00-15:30 am (GMT+4)

Agenda

Length of Webinar: 1 hour and 30 minutes

Time	Session
10 min (incl. a short buffer for people to arrive)	Opening and Welcoming Remarks & Group Photo Speaker: Fatima-Zahra Taibi, Senior Advisor, CBIT-GSP Global Coordinator
25 min	BTR planning and development process using the BTR Road Map Tool Keltoum Ait Belhaj, Regional MENA Network Coordinator, CBIT-GSP
15 min	Interaction and Q&A
10 min	Experience-sharing from Countries: Planning/setting up coordination teams and developing BTRs from the countries – Morocco’s experience Speaker: Representative from Morocco

15 min	Discussion and Q&A from Countries
5 min	Mentimeter Survey
5 min	Wrap-up and Closing Remarks