

Enhanced Transparency Framework / MPGs, Requirements and Provisions and Outlines of the first BTR

Webinar Series 2024

Time: **09:00 – 11:15 GMT** | Date: **Thursday, May 9, 2024** | Format: [Virtual](#)

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 enhanced 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 flexibility 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 MENA 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

The main objective of the virtual webinar is to provide participants with valuable insights into the transition process of the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) and the Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs). Through this exchange, countries in the Middle East and North Africa Transparency Network will acquire valuable guidance and understanding of the requirements for transitioning to the ETFs as provided in the MPGs. Furthermore, participants will have the chance to engage in a rich exchange of experiences and lessons learned with other experts from the MENA 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 **2H15 min (09:00- 11:15 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	09:00-11:15 am (GMT)
Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco	10:00-12:15 am (GMT+1)
Libya, Saudi Arabia, Sudan	11:00-13:15 am (GMT+2)
Bahrain, Djibouti, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Kuwait, Somalia, Syria, Yemen	12:00-14:15 am (GMT+3)
Oman	13:00-15:15 am (GMT+4)

Agenda

Length of Webinar: 2 hours and 15 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	Overview of the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF)/MPGs Requirements and Provisions Speaker: Keltoum AIT BELHAJ, CBIT-GSP Regional Network Coordinator for MENA
10 min	Mentimeter - Quiz 1
15 min	Interaction and Q&A

25 min	<p>ETF Reporting - Introduction to the BTR Outline</p> <p>Speaker: Keltoum AIT BELHAJ, CBIT-GSP Regional Network Coordinator for MENA</p>
10 min	<p>Mentimeter -Quiz 2</p>
20 min	<p>Experience-sharing from Countries: Reporting status and the preparation of the initial BTR, including lessons learned and challenges –Lebanon, Jordan and Egypt experiences</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lebanon: Mrs. Leya Zgheib, Project Coordinator, Ministry of Environment. • Jordan : Mrs. Manar Abu Hazim, Head of Mitigation Section in Climate Change Directorate, Ministry of Environment. • Egypt : Mr. Amr Abdel Aziz, Mitigation Director, Ministry of Environment.
15 min	<p>Discussion and Q&A from Countries</p>
05 min	<p>Wrap-up and Closing Remarks</p>