

Regional Climate Transparency Hub for Central Asia (**ReCATH**)

Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency – Global Support Programme (**CBIT-GSP**)

Regional in-person workshop: Reporting on Adaptation: ETF/BTR requirements, best practices and existing methodologies and approaches

June 26-28, 2024 | Bishkek, the Kyrgyz Republic ([Novotel City Hotel Bishkek](#))

Background

The **Regional Climate Action Transparency Hub for Central Asia (ReCATH)** is the regional project of the Initiative for Climate Action Transparency (ICAT) and the Regional Environmental Centre for Central Asia (CAREC) with the aim to build the capacities of the national and regional experts on transparency systems and climate reporting and to meet the commitments of the Article 13 of the Paris Agreement.

The project uses a regional approach in capacitating all five countries of Central Asia, namely, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan, and provides support to the technical experts and practitioners in establishing the solid and lean transparency systems. The ReCATH project is implemented by the Regional Environmental Centre for Central Asia (CAREC).

The Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency – Global Support Programme (in short, 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 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. CBIT-GSP is implemented via regional networks. For the countries of Central Asia and the Caucasus, the project works with Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.

Given the commonalities of both projects in supporting the region to address capacity needs on transparency and ETF, CAREC/ReCATH and CBIT-GSP cooperate in organizing the regional in-person workshop on **Reporting on Adaptation: ETF/BTR requirements, best practices and existing methodologies and approaches**.

Objective and tasks of the workshop

The key goal of the workshop is to deepen skills and knowledge of participants on reporting provisions for information related to climate change impacts and adaptation under the Paris Agreement and the Convention, including adaptation-related information that should be included in the BTR.

The workshop also strives to present country's best practices and examples in reporting on adaptation within existing reporting modalities (MRV) and navigate to the experience in using the tools and methodologies which help them to compile the information on adaptation and reporting under the UNFCCC.

Expected outputs:

- Improve the content of the reporting on adaptation in the context of the first Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs) and to inform the Global Stocktake.
- Improve the general understanding of the developing countries in getting the support on adaptation reporting and increase the level of adaptation recognition in their climate reporting and transparency.
- Provide a possibility for the countries to exchange on experiences, best practices and lessons which have been learned throughout the national adaptation processes, incl. NAP preparation and establishment of Monitoring and Evaluation Systems (M&E).
- Improve the knowledge on available methodologies, tools and approaches in estimating losses and damages and learn more from practitioners and developers.

Approach and format

This workshop finalizes the series of webinars, which were held from June 5th until June 19th, focusing on the similar topic. Details of the webinars are provided at the [climate transparency platform](#). Compared to the webinars, this in-person workshop aims to deepen the knowledge of participants on adaptation reporting.

The participants are requested to bring their personal laptops and actively participate both at the plenary sessions and break-out groups.

Target Audience and Language

The in-person workshop will bring together relevant transparency stakeholders, such as coordinators and experts from national institutions and line ministries tasked with climate reporting, thematic experts and other transparency and adaptation practitioners involved in the preparation of reports and policies under the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement, including NCs, NAPs, NDCs and BURs/BTRs.

The language of the workshop is **English and Russian** with simultaneous interpretation in both languages with sufficient time dedicated for discussion and break-out session work.

Proposed Agenda

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Day 1: June 26 th , 2024 (Wednesday)	
Opening Session Moderator: Dilovarsho Dustzoda or Oxana Kravtsova on behalf of ReCATH/CAREC	
08:30 – 09:30	Arrival of participants and registration
9:30 – 09:45	Opening of the workshop and welcoming remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – On behalf of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic – Mr. Zafar Mahmudov, CAREC Executive Director (tbc) – Ms. Nailia Timerkhanova, on behalf of CBIT-GSP
9:00 – 09:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Technical guidance and housekeeping rules (Oxana) – Getting acquainted with participants (All participants) – Introduction to the workshop agenda (Nailia)
9:30 – 10:00	Group photo
Session 1: Transitioning to the Enhanced Transparency Frameworks (ETF) and Reporting on Adaptation, including existing channels of communication on adaptation Moderator and speaker: Nailia Timerkhanova, CBIT-GSP and ReCATH regional coordinator	
10:00 – 11:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ms. Nailia Timerkhanova: Introduction of adaptation reporting and BTR, and function of different UNFCCC adaptation reporting instruments in the new ETF arrangement (40 min) – Quiz (10 min) – Q&A and Discussion (10 min)
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee-break
Session 2: National Circumstances, Institutional Arrangements and Legal Frameworks (Governance) on Adaptation Moderator and Speaker: Nazar Allaberdyev, ReCATH national expert	
11:00 – 11:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mr. Nazar Allaberdyev: Overview of the contents of the first two sections (A and B) of the MPGs for the adaptation component of the BTR and guidance on how to report on the following areas: (A) National circumstances, and (B) Legal frameworks and institutional arrangements (30 min) – Quiz (10 min) – Q&A and Discussion (10 min)
11:50 – 13:00	Break-out session (40 min) <u>Guiding questions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <i>What are your country's experiences in establishing institutional arrangements and legal frameworks on adaptation?</i> – <i>Where can the information on national circumstances be sourced from?</i> – <i>What are key stakeholders at different levels to communicate on</i>

	<p><i>adaptation?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reporting back to the plenary (20 min) - Q&A (10 min)
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
<p>Session 3: Impacts, risks and vulnerabilities Moderator and speaker: Vladimir Grebnev, CAREC Climate Change Specialist</p>	
14:00 – 14:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Energizer (Oxana, 10 min) - Mr. Vladimir Grebnev: Overview of the content of the Impacts, Risks and Vulnerabilities (20 min) - Quiz (10 min) - Q&A and Discussion (10 min)
14:50 – 16:00	<p>Break-out session (40 min) <u>Guiding questions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>What are your country's experiences in reporting on Impacts, Risks and Vulnerabilities within your last NC/Ad. Comm, NAP or NDC?</i> - <i>What are the main challenges to compile the relevant information on Impacts, Risks and Vulnerabilities?</i> - <i>Where this information can be sourced from?</i> - <i>To what extent this information is being updated and is improved against the latest climate report of your country?</i> - Reporting back to the plenary (20 min) - Q&A (10 min)
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee Break
<p>Session 4: Adaptation priorities and barriers Moderator and speaker: Svetlana Dolgikh, Kazhydromet</p>	
16:30 – 17:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms. Svetlana Dolgikh: Overview of the content on Adaptation Priorities and Barriers (20 min) - Exercise 1 (20 min) + Quiz (10 min) - Discussion (10 min)
17:30 – 18:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Evaluation of the Day 1 (Nailia) - Key take-away messages from the Day 1 and perspectives for tomorrow (Nailia)
<p>Day 2: June 27th, 2024 (Thursday)</p>	
<p>Session 5: Adaptation actions (on NAP example) Moderator and speaker: Raisa Taryannikova, ReCATH national expert</p>	
09:00 – 09:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Energizer (Nailia, 10 min) - Ms. Raisa Taryannikova: Overview of the adaptation actions (including strategies, policies, plans, goals and actions to integrate adaptation into national policies and strategies) and progress on implementation and results of adaptation (30 min) - Q&A and discussion (10 min)
09:50 – 11:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Exchange of experience on NAP implementation progress (or national actions plan on adaptation – at the national and local level) in Central Asia and the Caucasus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms. Amangul Overzberdyeva, on behalf of Turkmenistan: NAP planning and implementation process in Turkmenistan (15 min) - Mr. Rafiq Verdiyev, on behalf of Azerbaijan: NAP planning and implementation process in Azerbaijan (tbc), 15 min - Q&A (10 min) - Round table discussion (30 min) - <u>Guiding questions:</u>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <i>What is the progress of your country in progressing in NAP? What are priority sectors or areas?</i> – <i>What are the next steps in implementing the adaptation actions as per NAP?</i> – <i>What are the main sources of information and data for NAP implementation?</i> – <i>What is the budget for NAP implementation in your country?</i> – <i>What are the main challenges in NAP implementation?</i> – <i>What is missing in your current NAP?</i> – <i>How NAP implementation will inform the reporting on adaptation in the current BTR or next NC, or Adaptation Communication?</i>
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee-break
Session 6: Systems for monitoring and evaluating adaptation actions and processes Moderator and speaker: Ms. Nailia Timerkhanova, CBIT-GSP and ReCATH regional coordinator	
11:30 – 12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ms. Nailia Timerkhanova: Overview of the content on the Systems for Monitoring and Evaluating Adaptation Actions and Processes (20 min) – Quiz (10 min) – Q&A (10 min)
12:00 – 13:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Exchange of experience on establishing the M&E system for adaptation in Central Asia and the Caucasus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Kyrgyzstan (15 min) – Uzbekistan (15 min) - Q&A (10 min) - Round table discussion (20 min) - <u>Guiding questions:</u> - <i>What is the status of M&E system establishment in your country? What legal frameworks (if any) regulate the data collection and flow for adaptation information?</i> - <i>What is the main objective of the system and how it interrelates with adaptation reporting under the UNFCCC?</i> - <i>What are the main sources of information and data for M&E system?</i> - <i>Who is compiling the adaptation data and information?</i> - <i>Is this compiled information on adaptation publicly available? If not, who are the main recipients of information?</i>
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch
Session 6 (A): Systems for monitoring and evaluating adaptation actions and processes Moderator and speaker: Firuz Saidov and Natalya Slepchenko, ReCATH national experts	
14:30 – 15:10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mr. Firuz Saidov and Ms. Natalya Slepchenko: Overview of the regional matrix of qualitative and quantitative indicators on adaptation in Central Asia (30 min) – Q&A (10 min)
15:10 – 16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Exercise 2 (working in 2 groups) – 40 min – Please, review regional indicators and answer the following questions: – <i>Do you agree with the Water Resources and Agriculture to be two main sectors for regional indicators on vulnerability and adaptation? What other sectors can be included from the regional perspective?</i> – <i>Please, place the indicators in order of priority.</i> – Reporting back to the plenary (10 min)
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee-break
Session 7: Cooperation, good practice and experiences on adaptation Moderator and speaker: Ms. Oxana Kravtsova, ReCATH/CAREC	

16:30 – 17:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ms. Oxana Kravtsova: Overview of the content on cooperation, good practice and experience on adaptation (20 min) – Q&A (10 min) – Panel discussion (30 min) – <u>Guiding questions:</u> – <i>What are your country's best practice and cooperation (intra-national and international) on adaptation, which you can report on?</i> – <i>What was reported by your country on this particular subsector in your latest NC or Ad.Com? Are you satisfied?</i> – <i>What models of cooperation and with what countries do you think will help better exchange on adaptation and report on in the BTR/NC?</i> – <i>What are the challenges in cooperation?</i> – <i>What are the main service providers on support in exchange and cooperation?</i>
17:30 – 18:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Evaluation of the Day 2 (Nailia) – Key take-away messages from the Day 2 and perspectives for tomorrow (Nailia)
Day 3: June 28th, 2024 (Friday)	
Session 8: Loss & damage: how to report under the ETF, methodologies, tools and approaches in estimating and reporting on loss and damage	
Moderator and speaker: Ms. Nailia Timerkhanova CBIT-GSP/ReCATH regional coordinator	
09:00 – 10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Energizer (Oxana, 10 min) – Ms. Nailia Timerkhanova: Overview of how to report on loss & damage in the context of BTR (30 min) – Q&A (10 min) – Ms. Nailia Timerkhanova: Snapshot of available methodologies, instruments and tools on loss and damage/ climate risk assessment (30 min) – Q&A and discussion (10 min)
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee-break
Session 8: Loss & damage: how to report under the ETF, methodologies, tools and approaches in estimating and reporting on loss and damage – cont.	
Moderator and speaker: Ms. Nailia Timerkhanova CBIT-GSP/ReCATH regional coordinator	
11:00 – 13:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mangione, Daniela, FAO methodology on assessing damage and losses in Agriculture – Practical exercise with the participants – Q&A and discussion
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
Session 8: Loss & damage: how to report under the ETF, methodologies, tools and approaches in estimating and reporting on loss and damage – cont.	
Moderator and speaker: Ms. Nailia Timerkhanova CBIT-GSP/ReCATH regional coordinator	
14:00 – 15:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Energizer (Nailia, 10 min) - Mr. Henry Neufeldt, Head of Section, Impact Assessment and Adaptation Analysis, UNEP-CCC (recording): Introducing ICAT/UNEP-CCC tool on assessing loss and damage (30 min) - Practical exercise and/or break-out groups (40 min) - Reporting back to the plenary (10 min)
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee-break
Session 9: Panel discussion: Other information to be included into A-BTR?	
Moderator and speaker: Ms. Oxana Kravtsova, ReCATH/CAREC	

16:00 – 17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Panelists: representatives of Central Asia and the Caucasus – <u>Guiding questions:</u> – <i>What information do you usually include under this section within your NC/Ad Com/NAP?</i> – <i>What do you think is missing?</i>
17:00 – 18:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Final evaluation of the workshop – Wrap-up and next steps – Concluding remarks and closure of the workshop