



Main Meeting of the Mutual Learning Programme (MLP) for Enhanced Transparency: Reporting of mitigation actions in the Energy Sector under Art.13 (Armenia-Kazakhstan-Japan)

-- Virtual webinar --

Time: **10:00 – 12:00 (Yerevan time)/ 11:00 – 13:00 (Astana time)** | Date: **July 25th, 2024**

Zoom link: <https://un-org-unep.zoom.us/j/94613918864>

Background

Nationally determined contributions (NDCs) are at the heart of the Paris Agreement and the achievement of its long-term goals. NDCs embody efforts by each country to reduce national emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change. The Paris Agreement requires each Party to prepare, communicate and maintain successive nationally determined contributions (NDCs) that it intends to achieve. Parties shall pursue domestic mitigation measures, with the aim of achieving the objectives of such contributions. Tracking NDCs is a requirement under the Paris Agreement's Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF). It requires transparent quantitative and qualitative information on the implementation and achievement of the NDC, including indicators comparing current or projected emissions, and information that helps better understand the NDC target and its impacts.

The **Mutual Learning Programme (MLP)** provides support to the countries in improving the understanding of developing countries on how to apply the reporting guidance under Article 61 and explore improvement areas of next reporting to UNFCCC.

Having a good experience to work under the MLP with Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan and Japan in close cooperation with IGES in 2023-2024, the CBIT-GSP and IGES decided to extend its support to new countries of the region and foresees learning exercises on reporting of mitigation actions under the Article 13 of the Paris Agreement for Armenia and Kazakhstan, particularly selecting the Energy Sector.

Participating organizations from three countries met on May 30, 2024 for the kick-off meeting. Since then, they have worked on the first exercise: filling a common tabular format (CTF) for reporting mitigation actions in the energy sector. Participating organizations have reviewed each other's exercise and exchanged questions and comments, prior to the main meeting.



Objectives of the main meeting:

- To improve the understanding of methodologies and assumptions and how to fill the CTF-5 for reporting mitigation actions in the energy sector, including gaps and challenges,
- To discuss the content and schedule of the second exercise that best matches with the interest of participants (proposed second exercise: the development of CTF-1 (description of selected indicators) and CTF-2 (definitions needed to understand NDC))

Target Audience and Language

The main meeting will gather coordinators and experts of National Communications and Biennial Transparency Reports, senior experts from the national agencies dealing with GHG inventory and mitigation actions, as well as those specialists, who work in Energy Sector at the national level, more specifically representatives of: Ministry of the Environment, Japan (MOEJ); Ministry of Environment of Armenia; Ministry of Ecology and Nature Protection of Kazakhstan, JSC “Zhasyl Damu of Kazakhstan”; UNEP Copenhagen Climate Centre (UNEP CCC) via its CBIT-GSP project; Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting (MURC); Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES), UNDP Armenia and UNDP Kazakhstan.

The webinar will be held **in English and Russian** with simultaneous translation provided in both languages.

Duration and Registration

It is expected that the webinar will last up to **2 hours** with sufficient timing dedicated to discussion and Q&A sessions.

Proposed Agenda

Time (Yerevan)	Session
10:00 – 10:10	<p>Opening session and introduction to the MLP main meeting Moderator: Nailia Timerkhanova, Network Coordinator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fatima-Zahra Taibi, on behalf of UNEP-CCC/CBIT-GSP • Chisa Umemiya, on behalf of IGES • Group photo
10:10 – 10:30	<p>Japan’s deliverables of the first exercise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by Japan* (15 min) • Q&A and feedback (5 min)
10:30 – 10:50	<p>Armenia’s deliverables of the first exercise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by Armenia * (15 min) • Q&A and feedback (5 min)
10:50 – 11:10	<p>Kazakhstan’s deliverables of the first exercise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by Kazakhstan* (15 min) • Q&A and feedback (5 min)
11:10 – 11:40	<p>Overall discussion of the first exercise</p> <p>A quick summary of discussions on the deliverables (10 min) – Aiyngul Kerimray, Researcher, UNEP-CCC</p> <p>Panel discussion (20 min): Armenia, Kazakhstan and Japan – Nailia Timerkhanova, CBIT-GSP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the best thing(s) you learnt from the first exercise? • What was the challenge you faced in conducting the first exercise? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How did you find reporting of different mitigation actions in the energy sector, such as policies related to renewable energy vs. improvement of energy efficiency? • Are you ready to report the CTF5 in your upcoming first BTR?
11:40 - 11:50	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal of 2nd exercise: Development of CTF 1 (description of selected indicators) and CTF-2 (definitions needed to understand NDC) (10 min) - Aiyngul Kerimray, Researcher, UNEP-CCC • Free discussion and feedback
11:50 - 12:00	<p>Summary and closing remarks – Temuulen Murun, IGES</p>

(*) Presentation guidance on a country’s presentation on deliverables of the first exercise:

- The presentation can provide explanation of the deliverables of your country (Template A and B), including responses to received questions and comments by other countries
- Presentation format is flexible