

MENA Webinar Series

Tracking NDC mitigation commitments under the ETF Webinar Series

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Organized by:

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

Workshop 1: Time: **09:00 – 11:00 GMT** | Date: **Monday, July 22, 2024** | Format: **Virtual**

Workshop 2: Time: **09:00 – 11:00 GMT** | Date: **Tuesday, July 23, 2024** | Format: **Virtual**

Workshop 3: Time: **09:00 – 11:00 GMT** | Date: **Wednesday, July 24, 2024** | Format: **Virtual**

Link for registration : https://un-org-unep.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1_9f46G3SRqZtNIKJAY-Ag

Background

Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) lie at the core of the Paris Agreement and play a key role in achieving its long-term objectives. The NDCs represent the collective efforts of each country to reduce national emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change. As per the Paris Agreement, every participating Party is required to develop, communicate, and consistently update their NDCs, outlining their intended contributions aimed at achieving specific climate goals.

The Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF), established under the Paris Agreement, requires all Parties to submit their Biennial Transparency Reports (BTR) by the end of 2024. The Modalities, Procedures and Guidelines (MPGs), formulated to implement transparency in reporting under the Paris Agreement, defined specific new requirements for reporting progress made in implementing and achieving nationally determined contribution (NDC) {Article 13.7(b)}. Each Party shall provide the information necessary to track progress in implementing and achieving its NDC under Article 4 of the Paris Agreement. As such, all Parties (shall) undergo the facilitative multilateral consideration of progress with respect to efforts under Article 9, and its respective implementation and achievement of its NDCs {Article 13.11}. The results should be included in a specific chapter of the BTR (Chapter II). Additionally, all Parties must submit the common tabular formats (CTFs) to the UNFCCC as part of each country's BTR submission process.

Although many countries are aware of Article 13 of the Paris Agreement, there is still limited understanding of the reporting requirements as spelt out in the MPGs. Most countries have not received specific training on the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) and the mandatory elements of the MPGs of the Paris Agreement. Yet, the provision of clear and understandable data and information in the BTR and the NDC plays a crucial role in ensuring transparency under

the ETF and supports achieving the objectives of the Convention and the Paris Agreement.

The tracking and reporting NDC pose a challenge to the developing countries since it requires enhanced, more comprehensive reporting on mitigation actions and results including filling the common tabular forms (CTFs). Therefore, this webinar series aims to support countries in MENA region in charge of reporting NDC mitigation commitments under the Paris Agreement in technical understanding of the goals, principles, and actions associated with the reporting process for NDC mitigation commitments under the Paris Agreement. These virtual workshops are designed to equip the participants with the necessary skills to improve their contributions to the national reporting towards the ETF and information required under the MPGs in preparation for submitting the BTR.

Objective

This webinar Series aims to provide a general overview of reporting requirements under Article 13 of the Paris Agreement. It focuses on key elements identified to fast-track BTR development, specifically on tracking progress in implementing and achieving its NDC under Article 4 of the Paris Agreement. The training will ensure that countries are able to progressively track their NDC targets and conform to UNFCCC modalities, procedures and guidelines for reporting under the ETF. The specific objectives of these workshops are:

- To enhance technical experts' understanding of reporting requirements under Article 13 of the Paris Agreement and provisions related to modalities, procedures, and guidelines (MPGs) for the enhanced transparency framework.
- To deepen the understanding of experts on reporting the progress in implementing the NDC mitigation commitments under the Paris Agreement, including Common Tabular Formats (CTFs).

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 NDC tracking and revision.

The webinars will be held in English, with simultaneous translation into Arabic provided. Participants are free to communicate in the language of their preference, whether it be Arabic, English, or French.

Duration and Time Zones

Each workshop will last of **2 hours (09:00-11:00 GMT)**, with sufficient time dedicated to discussion and Q&A sessions. The exact time of the webinars in your country can be seen below:

Countries	Time
Mauritania	09:00-11:00 am (GMT)
Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco	10:00-12:00 am (GMT+1)
Libya, Saudi Arabia, Sudan	11:00-13:00 am (GMT+2)
Bahrain, Djibouti, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Kuwait, Somalia, Syria, Yemen	12:00-14:00 am (GMT+3)
Oman	13:00-15:00 am (GMT+4)

Agenda

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Workshop 1

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10 min	Opening and Welcoming Remarks & Group Photo Speaker: Fatima-Zahra Taibi, Senior Advisor, CBIT-GSP Global Coordinator
25 min	Overview of reporting requirements under Article 13 of the Paris Agreement
10 min	Interaction and Q&A
20 min	Introduction to the BTR outline. Focus on NDC tracking chapter
15 min	Mentimeter -Quiz
20 min	Definition and development of NDC indicators/SMART targets
15 min	Discussion and Q&A
10 min	Feedback Mentimeter Survey
05 min	Wrap-up and Closing Remarks

Workshop 2

Tracking progress in implementing and achieving the NDC using the Common Tabular Formats (CTFs)

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Time	Session
10 min	Opening and Welcoming Remarks & Group Photo Speaker: Fatima-Zahra Taibi, Senior Advisor, CBIT-GSP Global Coordinator
20 min	Overview of the common tabular formats for reporting on the progress in implementing the NDC
25 min	Information to track progress in implementing and achieving the NDC using the Common Tabular Formats (CTFs): NDC definitions, methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Description of Party's NDC- Appendix • Description of selected indicators- Table 1 • Definitions need to understand the NDC-Table 2
10 min	Interaction and Q&A
25 min	Information to track progress in implementing and achieving the NDC using the Common Tabular Formats (CTFs) (continuation): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tracking progress in implementing and achieving - Table 4 • Mitigation policies, measures, actions and plans -Table 5
15 min	Discussion and Q&A
10 min	Feedback Mentimeter Survey
05 min	Wrap-up and Closing Remarks

Workshop 3

Reporting on NDC projections under ETF

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10 min	Opening and Welcoming Remarks & Group Photo Speaker: Fatima-Zahra Taibi, Senior Advisor, CBIT-GSP Global Coordinator
20 min	Elements on Projections of GHG emissions and removals
05 min	Interaction and Q&A
15 min	Introduction and explanation of Tables 6 to 9: GHG emissions and removals, Projections with WM, WEM, WAM Scenarios
15 min	Introduction and explanation of Tables 10, 11, 12
10 min	Interaction and Q&A
20 min	Missing data What to do in case of missing data
10 min	Interaction and Q&A
10 min	Feedback Mentimeter Survey
05 min	Wrap-up and Closing Remarks