

## **Introductory Webinar for the Training for African Union Member States: ” Hands-on Training on Tracking NDC Mitigation Commitments under the Paris Agreement”**

*Co-organized by African Union Commission (AUC) and The Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency - Global Support Programme (CBIT-GSP)*

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**Time: 09:00 – 11:00 GMT/ 12:00-14:00 EAT Nairobi time (2hrs) |**

**Date: Thursday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024| Format: Virtual**

**By Invitation only**

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### **Background**

The African Union Commission (AUC) in collaboration with the Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency - Global Support Programme (CBIT-GSP), is organizing a training workshop on the Enhance Transparency Framework, focusing on the NDC tracking, from 31 July to 2 August 2024, in Gaborone, Botswana. The training is funded by the European Union through the AU Global Climate Change Alliance Plus Programme (GCCA+).

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.

Therefore, this training aims to support selected African country teams 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. This hands-on training is 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. This webinar summarizes some of the

most relevant content to be included in greater detail in the face-to-face training that will take place from 31 July- 2 August 2024 in Gaborone, Botswana.

### Objective

This webinar is the initial stage of a whole training concept to be carried out by the African Union Commission and CBIT-GSP to support 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 introductory webinar provides instructions to help participants prepare on the other parts of the training workshop.

### Audience

This activity is intended for technical officers from African Union Member states who track and report NDC mitigation commitments and support needed and received. This includes government staff at the national and sectoral levels and staff from other institutions that are part of countries' institutional arrangements for reporting under the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement (BTR). In addition, representatives from the African Regional Economic Communities (RECs) will participate to the training.

### Agenda

Time (GMT)	Activities	Presenter
09:00 – 09:05	Opening and Welcome Remarks	CBIT-GSP AUC
09:05 – 09:10	Group photo	CBIT-GSP
09:10 – 09:20	Explanation of the of the training workshop: objectives, approach, content, and format	AUC-CBIT-GSP
09:20- 09: 30	Mentimeter	AUC/CBIT-GSP
09:30 - 09:45	<b>Presentation #1:</b> Introduction of ETF reporting requirements under Article 13 of the Paris Agreement	CBIT-GSP
09:45– 09:55	Q&A	CBIT-GSP
09:55 – 10:10	<b>Presentation #2:</b> Introducing contents necessary for Tracking NDC progress <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mitigation tracking in the context of UNFCCC,</li> <li>• Data compilation,</li> <li>• NDC tracking indicators.</li> </ul>	CBIT-GSP
10:10– 10:20	Q&A	
10:20 – 10:35	Instructions for the hands-on training: Data needs and presentation of templates to be filled as a part of the workshop	CBIT-GSP
10:35 – 10:45	Q&A	
10:45 – 10:55	Feedback - Mentimeter	CBIT-GSP
10:55 – 11:00	Closing Remarks	AUC CBIT-GSP

### Duration and Time Zones

The sessions will last 2 hours. The exact time of the webinar in your country can be seen below:

Countries	Time
<b>Anglophone Africa</b>	
Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, South Sudan, Rwanda	12:00 -14:00h
The Gambia, Sierra Leone, Ghana, Liberia	9:00 -11:00h
South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Eswatini, Botswana, Malawi, Lesotho	11:00 -13:00h
Namibia, Nigeria	10:00-12:00h
Mauritius	13:00-15:00h
Seychelles	13:00-15:00h
<b>MENA</b>	
Mauritania	09:00-11:00 h
Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco	10:00-12:00h
Libya, Sudan	11:00-13:00 h
Djibouti, Egypt, Somalia,	12:00-14:00 h