

## Annual Network Meeting for the Anglophone Caribbean Transparency Network: Achievements and Plans for 2025

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Time: **10:00 – 12:00 AST (time zones in agenda) | Date: Thursday, January 9, 2025 | Format: Virtual**

### Background

In light of the Paris Agreement's Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF), 2024 has emerged as a transformative year for climate reporting in the Caribbean. As countries across the region prepare their first Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs), they face unique challenges in harmonizing national systems with international requirements. The diverse economic and environmental landscape of the Caribbean region presents both opportunities and challenges in achieving robust climate transparency, particularly in areas of data collection, institutional coordination, and technical capacity development.

Recognizing the needs in that context, the CBIT-GSP in 2024 conducted numerous capacity-building events to enhance transparency and support countries to meet their reporting obligation and to improve quality of their BTR reports. These included peer-to-peer learning experiences, regional and country-based trainings, learning sessions, and webinars, both online and in-person. On that path the CBIT-GSP collaborated with various organizations and agencies in the region to strengthen the capacities of countries to prepare their BTRs and achieve the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) of the Paris Agreement. Key collaborators included Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP), UNEP's Latin America and the Caribbean Office (UNEP LACO), and the US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA).

As we move into 2025, the CBIT-GSP plans to continue supporting all countries across the network in this crucial process. This will involve national experts in key reporting areas of the BTR, reviewing GHG Inventories, NDC tracking, and providing a platform for sharing best practices and lessons learned on the ETF. The CBIT-GSP will also support countries in their NDC 3.0 preparation and explore opportunities for enhancing NDC achievement and implementation to ensure transparency under the Paris Agreement.

The Anglophone Caribbean Network 2025 annual meeting will focus on showcasing the key results and achievements from the year's activities, discussing their effectiveness, and how they have helped countries refine their reporting processes under the Paris Agreement. It will also cover the lessons learned from the support provided by CBIT-GSP and other partner organizations.

The Anglophone Caribbean Network 2025 annual work plan will be informed by feedback surveys and the second capacity needs assessment conducted in November and December 2024. The annual meeting is crucial as it offers a collaborative forum for member countries to discuss, identify, and agree upon the network's priorities, directly influencing the annual work plan focusing on the key priorities of the nations.

## Objective

The primary goal of the Annual Meeting is to **evaluate the progress** made in implementing the 2024 workplan and to **discuss further needs** and the **draft workplan** with proposed activities for 2025. Participants are expected to discuss and jointly agree on the proposed network activities for 2025, aimed at building technical and individual capacities for climate transparency and reporting in the Caribbean region.

## Target Audience

The annual meeting will gather all network members, including CBIT GSP Focal Points and nominated national experts, coordinators/managers of enabling activities, representatives of CBIT and other transparency projects, transparency practitioners, national climate focal points and collaborating organizations and partners.

## Duration and Language

The meeting will last up to **2 hours** with sufficient time dedicated to discussion and Q&A sessions. The meeting will be held in English language.

## Agenda

Time	Session
10:00 – 10:15	<b>Opening Session and Welcoming Remarks</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Brittany Meighan Rancharan, Anglophone Caribbean Network Coordinator <b>Speaker:</b> CBIT-GSP Global Project Manager
10:15 – 10:20	<b>Group Photo</b>
10:20 – 10:40	<b>Key achievements and results of the CBIT-GSP Anglophone Caribbean Network in 2024</b> <b>Speaker:</b> Brittany Meighan Rancharan, Anglophone Caribbean Network Coordinator
10:40 - 10:50	<i>Interaction and Q&amp;A session</i>
10:50 - 11:15	<b>Country perspective: Experiences from the CBIT GSP support provided this year</b> 1. How do CBIT-GSP activities support your country refining national climate reporting? 2. What are the main lessons learned from the support activities in 2024? 3. What are the areas of improvement for support activities? 4. What is the status of your 1BTR? Will you present it this year?
11:15- 11:30	<b>Presentation of the Annual Work Plan for Anglophone Caribbean Network 2025:</b> setting priorities and scheduling project activities <b>Speaker:</b> Brittany Meighan Rancharan, Anglophone Caribbean Network Coordinator
11:30 - 11:50	<i>Interaction and Q&amp;A session</i> <b>Guiding questions for discussion:</b> 1. To what extent do the proposed activities for 2025 match your country’s priorities? 2. Are there other needs that have not been covered in Workplan 2025? 3. What are the areas of improvement for the CBIT-GSP’s support activities?
11:50 – 12:00	<b>Menti   Wrap-up and closing remarks</b>

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Belize: **8:00 am**

Jamaica: **9:00 am** | Antigua & Barbuda/ The Bahamas/Barbados/Dominica/Grenada/Guyana/Saint Lucia/St. Kitts & Nevis/St. Vincent & The Grenadines/Trinidad & Tobago: **10:00 am**

Suriname: **11:00 am**