

Presentation

Support to the ETF

Inspiring Lebanon's CBIT II Journey:
Experience-sharing on the implementation
of CBIT Phase II project from Uganda



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GEF Support to the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF)

How does the GEF support the ETF?



Reporting

BTR and NC preparation



Capacity building

Capacity-building Initiative for
Transparency (CBIT)



Global Support

CBIT-GSP
Thematic support

Integrated Support to Countries for Article 13 of Paris Agreement

Reporting: Support Modalities to prepare BTRs and NCs:

- Countries can request support for two BTRs, one combined with a NC (as applicable), as part of the same activity project.
- Information Note GEF/C.62/Inf.15 provides detailed information about the support modalities.

Stand-alone BTR	Up to \$600,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Available since Jan. 2021• Country must not have ongoing BUR support• Ongoing NC is acceptable
Combined BTR/NC	Up to \$633,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Available since Jan. 2021• Country must not have ongoing NC or BUR support
Additional financing (top-up)	Up to \$250,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Available for countries that, as of Jan. 1, 2023, have an ongoing BUR or NC• This option is only intended for the first BTR

Overview of GEF Support to Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs)

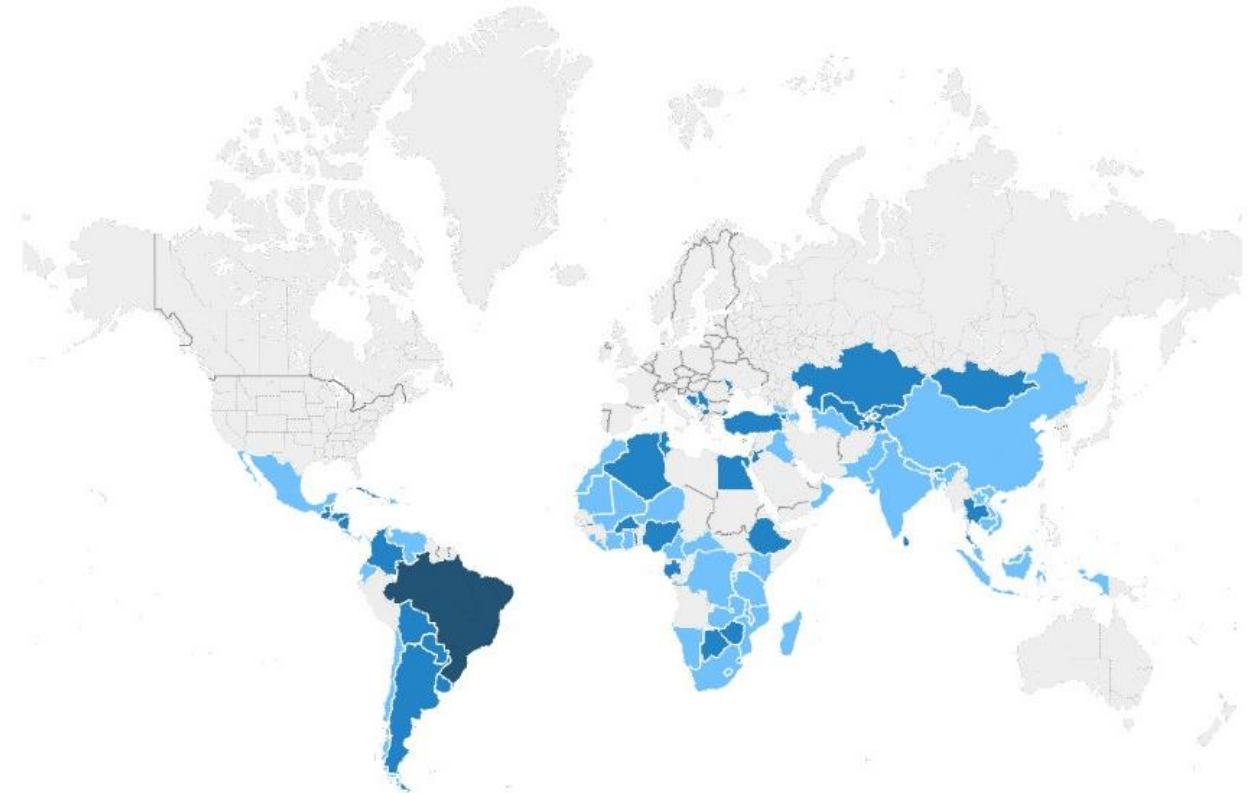
150 BTRs in 106 countries supported since 2020

The provision of timely BTR1 support is a priority for GEF

- \$102.2 million to support BTRs
- BTR1 (106), BTR2 (43), BTR3 (1)
- Stand-alone BTR1 (22), Combined BTR1/NC (28), Top-up (15), Combined BTR1/BTR2/NC (42), Other (2)
- Brazil, India, Malaysia, Mexico, and Nigeria used their STAR
- 4 Agencies: UNEP, UNDP, FAO, and UNIDO

Latest BTR requested to be supported by the GEF

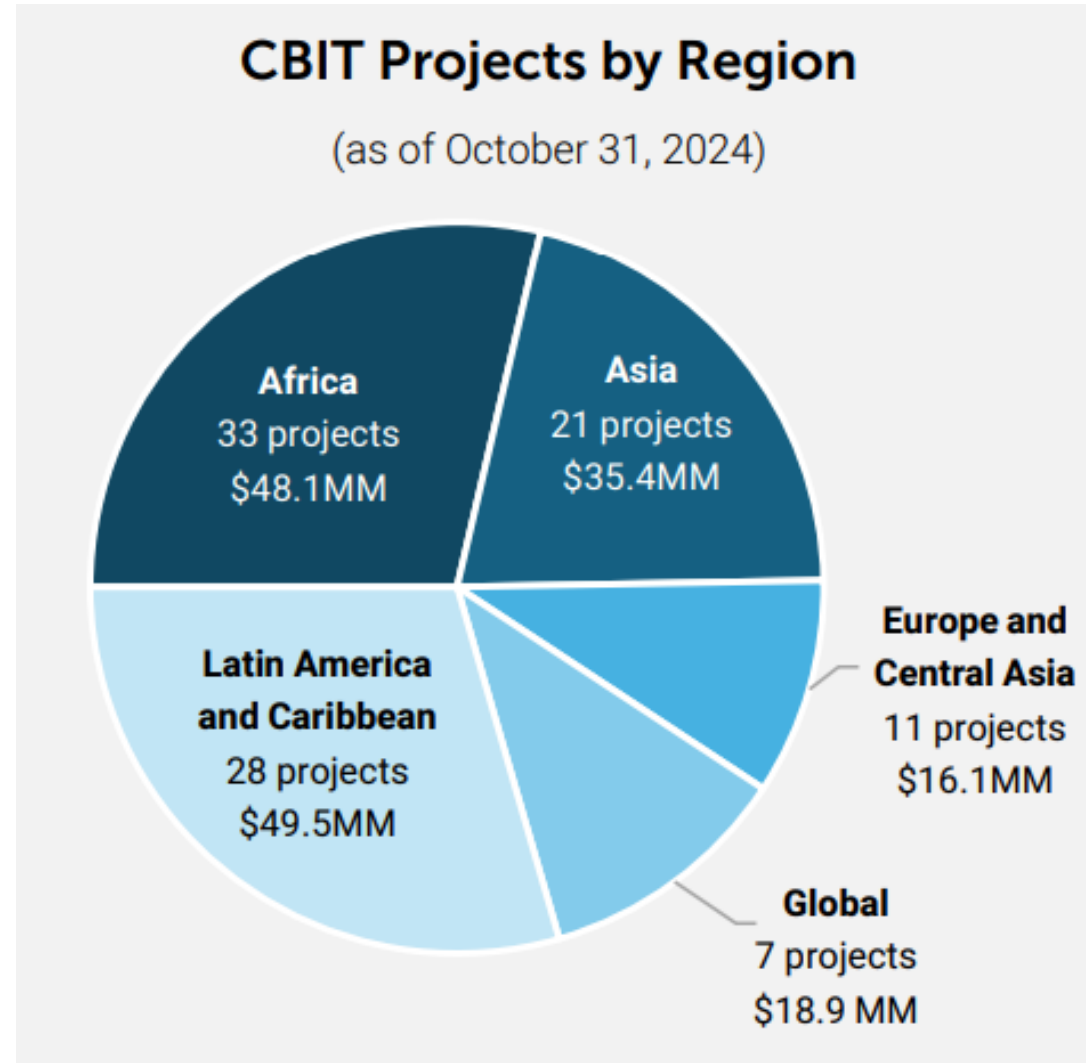
● BTR1+BTR2+BTR3 ● BTR1+BTR2 ● BTR1



(as of October 31, 2024)

Capacity building:

- The CBIT supports developing countries Parties that have ratified the Paris Agreement to build institutional and technical capacities to meet ETF provisions as defined in Article 13 of the Paris Agreement.
- As of October 31, 2024, the CBIT portfolio comprises **100** projects covering **90** countries, for a total of **\$168 million**. All developing country Parties that have ratified the Paris Agreement can access CBIT support.
- In addition, once countries have completed the first stage of their CBIT projects, they can request subsequent CBIT support.



Examples of eligible activities under the CBIT:

Objectives of the CBIT *(as per paragraph 85 of the COP decision adopting the Paris Agreement):*

- **To strengthen national institutions for transparency-related activities in line with national priorities:**
 - Provision of best practices for institutional strengthening and national network of practitioners, enable a knowledge management structure, and support national decision- and policymaking;
- **To provide relevant tools, training and assistance for meeting the provisions stipulated in Article 13 of the Agreement:**
 - Enhancement of GHG inventories, MRV systems for mitigation and support needed and received, M&E systems for adaptation, NDC tracking systems,
- **To assist in the improvement of transparency over time.**
 - Tracking tools for transparency-related actions and progress towards targets/goals.



Steps for Embarking on CBIT2 formulation and implementation:

- In order for the GEF to provide approval for a CBIT2 project, a CBIT1 status must reflect **“Project Implemented”** in the GEF Portal. To this end, the GEF Agency must have submitted **a Terminal Evaluation** in the GEF Portal.
- The GEF carefully reviews the incorporation of the **main findings and lessons learned from the CBIT1** on the CBIT2 Project (technically and administratively).
- The CBIT2 project document is technically assessed based on the progress made on their **CBIT1, BTR, and NC projects**, as well as other **non GEF-funded complementary initiatives** (i.e.: ICAT, PATPA, etc.)
- The CBIT is expected to provide support to countries on **a continuous basis**, hence the project team should bear in mind this when designing reasonable activities, timelines, and project budget.

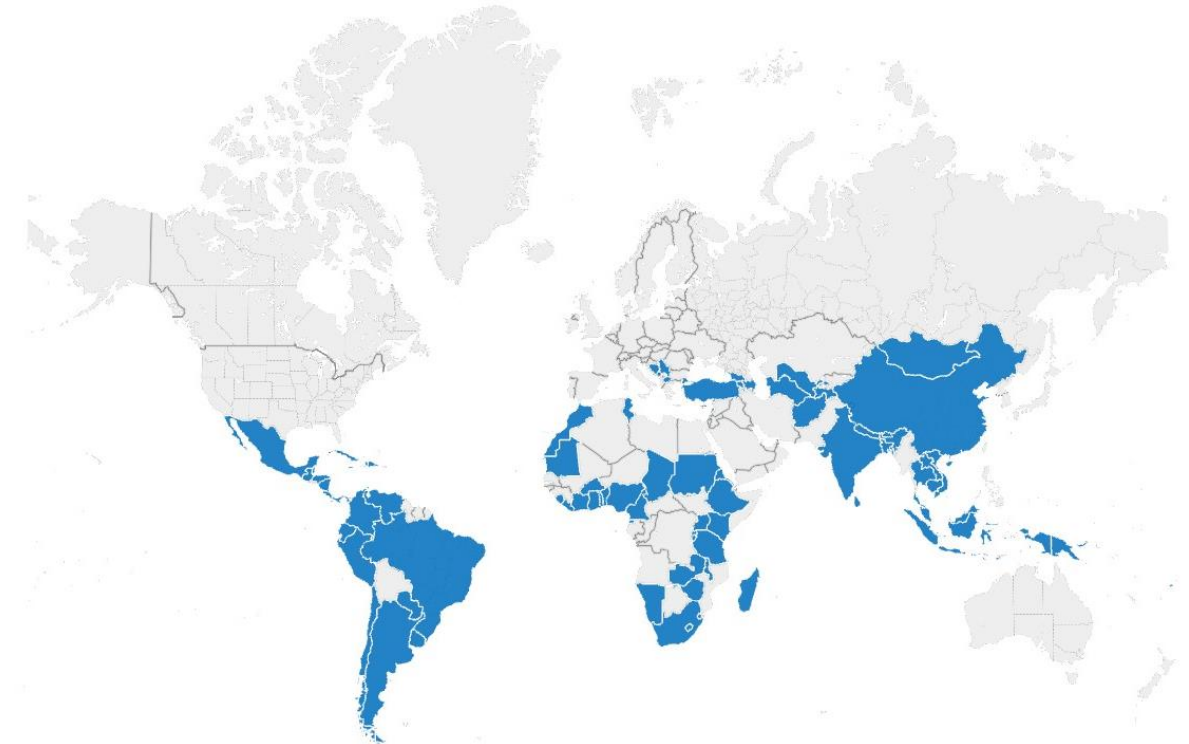


Overview of the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT)

Growing, balanced portfolio

- 100 projects in 90 countries, including 29 LDC and 17 SIDS
- GEF funding for CBIT is totaling \$168 MM
- 92 national projects and one regional project
- 86% of the portfolio is under implementation or has completed implementation
- 19 countries finalized their CBIT1, 8 have requested support for their CBIT2
- 7 out of the 18 GEF Agencies are providing CBIT support: UNEP, UNDP, FAO, CI, IADB, FECO, WWF-US.

Countries that have requested CBIT support



(as of October 31, 2024)

Complementarity between CBIT and Enabling Activities Projects:

GEF's advice to countries:

- We are on the second half of the GEF-8 cycle, and resources for CBIT and EA are being committed quickly by eligible developing countries.
- Developing countries are encouraged to submit their proposals through GEF Agencies to apply to resources for transparency support from the GEF promptly and to ensure complementarity among them.
- This is particularly relevant for countries that are yet to request their second BTR, due in 2026.

Global Support: CBIT-GSP and thematic support:



Global support is provided through the CBIT global projects. It can be divided into two:

- **The CBIT Global Support Program (CBIT-GSP)** implemented by United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), with support from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Climate Promise.
 - 10 linguistic and regional networks at a global level.
- Thematic global support, currently provided by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) to assist countries in preparing their **Agriculture, Forestry, and Other Land Use (AFOLU)** sector for the ETF requirements