

## Invitation to co-organise Global MRV workshop in Azerbaijan - March 26-28

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Dear Nailia,

I hope you are doing well.

We would like to invite UNEP-CCC to co-organize a Global MRV Workshop in Azerbaijan. This workshop will build on the successful launch of our national MRV system, which was introduced at a co-organized side event during COP29. Following the event, Denis expressed interest in system design materials that could be shared with countries lacking an MRV system. At the time, the system was still in the testing phase, which remains ongoing. However, we soon will be in a position to share these materials with SIDS and LDCs to support the development of their own systems. We anticipate finalizing all materials by the end of April, once the testing phase concludes.

With the national CBIT project nearing completion, we see this Global MRV Workshop as a valuable opportunity for countries to exchange MRV experiences. We have secured a budget to host representatives from interested countries, and the workshop will serve as a platform to facilitate knowledge-sharing between countries with well-established MRV systems and those in need of support. To extend the reach of this initiative, we could consider organising together with CBIT-GSP follow-up webinars for a broader audience of experts from SIDS and LDCs.

We recognize that many countries are in the transition phase from MRV to ETF. However, maintaining a robust national MRV system remains crucial for ensuring transparency and fulfilling commitments under Article 13.

We understand that your team is actively supporting countries in finalizing their BTRs and addressing other priorities. Tentatively, we propose holding this three-day workshop during March 26-28. If deemed beneficial, we are open to organizing it back-to-back with an MLP workshop, potentially hosting the first MLP meeting in person. Additionally, we can invite experts from Aether to contribute to the technical sessions.

Please let us know if UNEP-CCC would be interested in collaborating on this initiative so that we can move forward with planning the workshop concept together.

With best regards, Aslan Shikhaliyev