

MENA Webinar Series- 2025

Tracking and Reporting Climate Finance: Strengthening Capacities for Support Needed and Received under the ETF

-- Virtual workshop --

Time: **09:00 – 11:15 (GMT)** | Date: **August 26, 2025** | Format: online

Registration link: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/2b9c9476-8f5b-4ef4-baa2-6af29405fe66@0f9e35db-544f-4f60-bdcc-5ea416e6dc70>

Background

Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF), established under Paris Agreement required all Parties to submit their Biennial Transparency Reports (BTR) by the end of 2024. Provision of clear and understandable data and information in the BTR and the NDC play a crucial role in ensuring the transparency under the Enhanced Transparency Frameworks (ETF) and support achieving the objectives of the Convention and the Paris Agreement.

BTR requires countries to provide information on national inventory reports (NIRs), progress towards NDCs, policies and measures, climate change impacts and adaptation, capacity-building needs and areas of improvement. Also, Article 13.10 of the Paris Agreement specifically calls for developing country parties to provide reports on the 'Financial, technology transfer, and capacity building support needed and received' related to Articles 9, 10, and 11 of the Agreement. The COP 26 outcomes in Glasgow have introduced specific reporting tables for this purpose.

In terms of reporting requirements for financial support needed, developing country Parties should provide details about the sectors in which they need international financial assistance. Additionally, they should outline how this support aligns with their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and the long-term objectives of the Paris Agreement. At the same time, tracking financial support needed and received at the national level, empowers countries to enhance their climate policies, efficiently manage existing resources, and attract new financial resources necessary for climate actions. However, to ensure the regular tracking of support needed and received the close coordination among relevant national and subnational stakeholders, particularly finance, planning, and line ministries is necessary to enable consistent and comprehensive sharing of climate financial data.

During assessing of support needs on transparency reporting, the countries of the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) expressed that their capacities to track and report climate finance data and related methodologies are very limited or not existing given that they previously had no obligation to report in this way. Thus, the countries of MENA are invited to participate in a webinar on climate finance tracking and reporting, which was recognized as one of the priorities in addressing the existing gaps and needs in supporting the transition to reporting according to ETF requirements.

Objective

The objective of this webinar is to strengthen the capacities of country teams in the MENA region to track and report climate finance under the ETF, with a focus on understanding methodologies, tools, and approaches for identifying, collecting, and reporting information on support needed and received.

Target Audience and Language

The event is aiming to gather national coordinators and government officials in charge for development of transparency reports (NCs, BURs, BTRs, NAPs, NDCs), experts from the national agencies dealing with climate policy, and experts from specific areas of reporting within the ETF (greenhouse gas inventory, NDC, climate finance and adaptation and impacts).

The workshop will be held **English**.

Duration and access

It is expected that the meeting will last up to **2 hours and 15 minutes** with sufficient timing dedicated to discussion and Q&A sessions.

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

Proposed Agenda

Time (GMT)	Session /Speaker
09:00 – 09:10	<p>Opening session and welcoming remarks</p> <p>Group Photo</p> <p>Speaker: CBIT-GSP</p> <p>Moderator: Freya Milford, UNEP Copenhagen Climate Centre (UNEP-CCC)</p>
09:10 – 09:40	<p>Reporting requirements under the UNFCCC on support needed and received: Modalities, procedures and guidance for Article 13 of the Paris Agreement, and current reporting requirements for national communications and BTRs including CTF reporting tables</p> <p>Speaker: Keltoum Ait-Belhaj, MENA Network Coordinator, CBIT-GSP /UNEP-CCC</p>
09:40 – 09:50	Q&A
09:50-10: 50	<p>International practice in tracking climate finance: approaches (cases and potential methods) in tracking climate finance and support</p> <p>Speaker: Federico A. Canu, UNEP Copenhagen Climate Centre</p>
10:50– 11:05	Q&A
11:05– 11:15	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p>Mentimeter survey</p>