



Transparency for Transformation: Strengthening Systems, Driving Ambition

Date: 3-5 September 2025 | **Place:** Songdo Convensia, Incheon City, Republic of Korea |

Format: In-person

The High-level Segment will be accessible through Zoom [here](#)

Background

With the 2024 deadline for the first Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs), the global climate community crossed a historic threshold in implementing the Paris Agreement's Enhanced Transparency Framework. This milestone marked not only the operationalization of a more robust and accountable climate regime but also a pivotal moment for countries to reflect on progress, identify gaps, and generate data-driven insights. As countries now pivot toward preparing the next generation of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC 3.0), the information, lessons, and trends emerging from the BTRs offer a critical evidence base to inform more ambitious, realistic, and implementable climate targets.

Transparency serves both the NDC process and the BTRs. While, in theory, the BTR and NDC processes are strongly interlinked, in practice, the processes are often not well aligned and are implemented as separate workstreams in many countries. This is a missed opportunity, resulting in extra burden for countries and hindering reaping the full benefits of both processes. The lessons learned from the implementation and reporting processes of the first NDCs and BTRs present an invaluable opportunity to strengthen the alignment and integration of these processes at national level. Such linkages are essential for ensuring that countries' climate action plans are informed by robust, data-driven insights, genuinely national development priorities. Such deep integration is vital for creating climate action plans that are not only transparent but also truly effective and aligned with broader national goals

To this end, the global climate transparency partners; the Global Environment Facility (GEF), the Capacity-Building Initiative for Transparency - Global Support Programme (CBIT-GSP), the Initiative for Climate Action Transparency (ICAT), the Partnership on Transparency in the Paris Agreement (PATPA), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Secretariat (UNFCCC) are jointly organizing, the second Global Transparency Forum to provide a dynamic and inclusive space for countries, development partners, and transparency practitioners to take stock of progress made thus far, exchange experiences, reflect on lessons



learned from the first BTR submissions, and explore how transparency efforts can effectively inform the development of NDCs 3.0. The Forum will also serve as a platform to strengthen partnerships, share emerging good practices, and identify concrete opportunities for enhancing support and collaboration to reinforce the implementation of the Enhanced Transparency Framework.

Building on the success of the [first Global Transparency Forum](#) held in May 2024 in Tokyo, Japan with the participation of 180 transparency practitioners, this year's Forum aims to deepen the dialogue and collaboration among countries and partners.

The Forum is graciously hosted by the Government of the Republic of Korea, through its Ministry of Environment. Participants of the Forum will include both transparency practitioners and experts involved in national NDC processes, as well as support providers, multilateral development banks and GEF implementing agencies. The Forum will include plenaries and break-out sessions to provide ample space for deep-dive discussions in various areas related to the BTR and NDC processes.

Objective

At a pivotal time for global climate action, the overall objective of this Global Transparency Forum is to strengthen the implementation of the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) and support the development of more ambitious and actionable Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs 3.0) by fostering peer learning, dialogue, and collaboration among countries, experts, and partners involved in climate transparency.

The specific objectives of the Global Transparency Forum are as follows:

- Highlighting the ETF is a key tool to unlock ambitious implementation of climate action.
- Exploring how transparency can support preparing, implementing and tracking successive NDCs including and fostering climate finance mobilization, thereby contributing to sustainable development.
- Exploring strategies to transition from ad-hoc reporting practices to government-led transparency systems with sustainable data, stakeholder engagement, capacity building, and legal frameworks.
- Enhancing collaboration among stakeholders to advance in implementing the ETF.
- Facilitating knowledge exchange on BTR preparation and the TER process.

Expected Outcomes

It is expected that the Forum will deliver the following outcomes:

- Highlighted the importance of the ETF as one of the key building blocks of the Paris Agreement.
- Improved understanding of the inherent interlinkages of the ETF processes and the NDC update and implementation processes through firsthand experiences shared by countries that have submitted or are finalizing their first BTRs.
- Documented lessons and practical guidance to inform the next BTR cycle and improve alignment with NDC development and implementation.
- Increased capacity and awareness of countries and experts to integrate gender, finance, just transitions into transparency systems.
- Strengthened global collaboration and momentum for advancing ambitious, transparent, and inclusive climate action ahead of COP 30.

Detailed Agenda

Time	Day 1 - 3 September 2025
08:00 – 09:00	Registration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Participants arrive and register using the Whova app
09:00 – 09:30	Welcome and Joint Plenary Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Welcome and Introduction to the GTF - Mariana Castaño Cano, Forum Facilitator ❖ Welcome Remarks by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms. Eunhae Jeong, Ph.D., Director General, International Cooperation Bureau, Ministry of Environment of Korea ➤ Mr. Ganbold Baasanjav, Head, UNESCAP East and North-East Asia Office & UN Designated Official
09:30 – 11:00	High-Level Dialogue <p>Transparency for Transformation: Strengthening Accountability, Driving Ambition</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Tugba Icmeli, Team Lead, UNFCCC</p> <p><u>PART I: POLITICAL SEGMENT</u></p>

	<p><i>This segment spotlights political leadership and reinforces global commitment to transparency, particularly at this critical moment leading into COP30 featuring keynote remarks from key political and institutional leaders.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Mr. Simon Stiell, Executive Secretary, UNFCCC Secretariat (video recording) ❖ Mr. Carlos Manuel Rodríguez, CEO, GEF (video recording) ❖ Mr. Juan Carlos Navarro, Minister of Environment, Panama (video recording) ❖ Dr. Dion George, Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, South Africa (video recording) ❖ Mr. Ed Miliband, MP, Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change, UK (video recording) ❖ Mr. Yevgeniy Zhukov, Director General, Climate Change and Sustainable Development Department, Asian Development Bank (video recording) ❖ Mr. Túlio Andrade, Senior Representative, COP 30 Presidency (video recording) ❖ Mr. Shahin Shahyarov, Senior Representative, COP 29 Presidency ❖ Mr. Henry Gonzalez, Chief Investment Officer, GCF ❖ Ms. Eunhae Jeong, Ph.D., Director General, International Cooperation Bureau, Ministry of Environment of Korea <p>PART II: MODERATED HIGH-LEVEL PANEL</p> <p><i>This segment features the role of support providing institutions in strengthening national transparency arrangements and enhancing ambition with financial and technical support for capacity building and implementation.</i></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Mr. Esteban Bermúdez Forn, Climate Change Specialist, GEF ❖ Mr. Asher Lessels, Head GEF Climate Mitigation Unit, UNEP ❖ Ms. Claudia Ortiz, Lead - Technical Support on NDC and Climate Strategies, UNDP ❖ Ms. Mirella Salvatore, Senior Climate Change Expert, FAO ❖ Mr. Henning Wuester, Director, ICAT
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break and Family Photo

<p>11:30 –11:45</p>	<p>Setting the Scene for the Global Transparency Forum</p> <p>Presentation by Ms. Tugba Icmeli, Team Lead, UNFCCC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Reflections on relevant transparency outcomes from COP 29 and perspectives on the road towards COP 30, and beyond ❖ Key Trends & Insights from First BTRs (BTR Submission Status and Findings from the Synthesis Report)
<p>11:45 –12:45</p>	<p>Lesson Learned from Preparing the First Biennial Transparency Reports: Sharing Experiences and Building Pathways for Improvement</p> <p><i>The first Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs) represent a critical step for countries in meeting enhanced transparency requirements under the Paris Agreement. This session will serve as a platform for countries and support providers to share firsthand experiences from preparing their first Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs). As countries transition to the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF), understanding the challenges, successes, and key takeaways from early BTR submissions is essential for improving future reporting cycles. By fostering dialogue and collaboration, the session will identify common lessons, best practices, and innovative solutions to improve future reporting processes and strengthen transparency frameworks.</i></p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Charity Nalweya, Manager Climate Change & Natural Resources, Zambia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Prelude Presentation by CBIT-GSP: Best Practices and Remaining Challenges (15 min) - Khetsiwe Khumalo, Senior Advisor, UNEP-CCC ❖ Panel: "Voices from the BTR Journey": Moderated storytelling session featuring 5 speakers, including: 4 developing country and 1 developed country representatives sharing their experiences in preparing their first BTR. (6 min each). ❖ Country Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Mr. Steven Turnbull, Transparency Lead Negotiator, Australia ➢ Mr. Don H. Shin, Researcher, Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Research Center (GIR) of Korea ➢ Mr. Didier Bako, Transparency Focal Point, Burkina Faso ➢ Ms. Juruath Abdulla Nafiz, Transparency Officer, Maldives ➢ Mr. Ricardo Vieira Araujo, Technologist, Brazil

	❖ Q&A (15 min) & live audience poll through Whova app
12:45 – 13:45	Lunch Break
13:45 – 14:00	Energizer <i>Forum Facilitator conducts an “energizer” to activate the forum participants for the second part of the day, after lunch.</i>
14:00 – 15:00	Breakout Sessions Deep dive Discussions into BTR Lessons Learned <p>Countries and support providers exchange experiences on the 1st BTR preparation journey along the BTR thematic chapters and countries will share their experiences.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Institutional Arrangements (in French and English) ❖ GHG Inventory ❖ NDC Tracking ❖ Adaptation and Loss and Damage (in Spanish) ❖ Support Needed and Received
15:00 – 15:30	Panel Reflections from Breakout Groups <p>Participants provide feedback from the breakout groups through event app and/or on stage. Moderator closes the session.</p>
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break
16:00 – 17:00	First Insights from the BTR Review Process <p><i>The review process for Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs) is a critical component of the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) under the Paris Agreement. This session will provide firsthand insights from both countries that have undergone the Biennial Transparency Report (BTR) review process and transparency experts who served as Technical Expert Review (TER) reviewers. With the first round of BTR submissions now being assessed, this session aims to demystify the review process, highlight key lessons, and provide practical guidance for future submissions.</i></p> <p>Moderator: Mirella Salvatore, Senior Climate Change Specialist, FAO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Lightning Presentation: Understanding the BTR Review Process - Ms. Tugba Icmeli, Team Lead, UNFCCC

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Overview of the Technical Expert Review (TER) process - How it works and key steps. ➤ Expectations for countries during the review process. ➤ How countries can best prepare for a smooth and constructive review. <p>❖ Country and Expert Reviewer Reflections: Navigating the First BTR Review - Insights from the Review Process (3 Country Representatives & 3 Expert Reviewers share:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ How they prepared for the review process (from a country and expert reviewer perspective) ➤ Challenges faced and how they addressed reviewer feedback. ➤ Key takeaways for countries preparing for their own BTR review. ➤ Key takeaways for expert reviewers. <p>❖ Country Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Zayd Jhumka, Ag. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Mauritius ➤ Mr. Juan Manuel Lucero Acosta, Chief Technical Advisor, Ministry of Environment, Panama ➤ Ms. Joscelyn Attenborough-Jones, Transparency Negotiator, United Kingdom <p>❖ Expert Reviewer Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms. Virginia Sena, Climate Transparency Expert, Uruguay ➤ Mr. Jaypalsinh Chauhan, CBIT-GSP Asia Network Coordinator, India ➤ Mr. Gonçalo Cavalheiro, CBIT-GSP/UNDP Lusophone Coordinator, Portugal <p>❖ Interactive Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Q&A ➤ Live audience poll through event app “What’s your biggest concern about the BTR review process?”
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17:00 – 17:45	<p>Lessons Learned from preparing the first BTRs – Feasibility of MPGs and Potential Areas for Improvement</p> <p><i>This session summarizes the discussions under PATPA’s Annual Partnership Retreat (APR) that will take place from August 28 to September 2 in Bangkok, Thailand. The session highlights the experiences of countries in the application of the MPGs during the preparation of the first BTRs and suggests potential areas of improvement in future negotiation rounds under the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Opening and Welcome - Oscar Zarzo, PATPA ❖ Interactive Quiz and Presentation on the Annual Partnership Retreat and its Objectives - Rebecca Ackermann, PATPA ❖ Panel Discussion - Moderated by Mr. Don H. Shin, GIR Korea <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Kesiree Charnpittayakit, Environmental Official, Thailand ➢ Ranjila Singh, Head of Mitigation Unit, Fiji ➢ Lotfi Msadki, Deputy Director for Mitigation Transparency, Tunisia ➢ Oscar Zarzo, Head of Secretariat, PATPA ❖ Q&A - Moderation: Rebecca Ackermann & Don H. Shin ❖ Closing Remarks - Don H. Shin & Oscar Zarzo
17:45 – 18:00	<p>Wrap-up of Day 1</p> <p>Forum Facilitator summarizes the key takeaways from day 1 and outlines the agenda for the next day.</p>
18:30 - 20:30	<p>Reception at the Restaurant “Panoramic 65”, Oakwood Hotel</p> <p><i>Graciously hosted by the Government of the Republic of Korea</i></p> <p><i>Welcoming Remarks by Ms. Seohyeon Lee, Director of International Cooperation Bureau, Ministry of Environment of ROK</i></p>
Time	Day 2 - 4 September 2025
09:00 – 09:15	<p>Opening and Reflections from Day 1</p> <p>Using the graphic visuals, the Forum Facilitator summarizes the key takeaways from day 1, outlines the agenda for the day.</p>

<p>09:15 – 10:30</p>	<p>Transparency as a Catalyst for NDCs – Key Insights for Making NDC 3.0 Realistic, Effective, and Trackable</p> <p><i>As most countries prepare to submit the third round of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC 3.0) this year, it is crucial to integrate key technical insights gleaned from previous and the current NDC cycle. This session will focus on addressing three of the most significant shortcomings observed in the mitigation contribution from past submissions: 1. Unrealistic targets, 2. Targets not linked to implementable policies and measures, and 3. Targets that are neither trackable nor traceable. Rather than emphasizing these issues as failures, this session will take a forward-looking, solution-oriented approach. It will showcase flexible tools and proven methodologies, and diverse and inspiring country experiences that offer practical ways to overcome these challenges.</i></p> <p>Moderator: Mariana Castaño Cano</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Setting the Scene: Reflecting on Key Insights for Setting Realistic, Effective and Trackable NDCs - Henning Wuester, ICAT Director ❖ Country and Expert Insights – Panel Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms. Juliana Bempa Principal Programme Officer, Ghana ➤ Ms. Ranjila Devi, Mitigation Director, Fiji ➤ Mr. Tatenda Mutasa, Principal Climate Change Scientist, Zimbabwe ➤ Ms. Lisandra Rodriguez de Rivas, Head of Metrics and Transparency Dominican Republic ➤ Ms. Jessica Margarita, Head of Ministerial Technical Unit, El Salvador ➤ Mr. Denis Desgain, Head of Mitigation Assessment and Data Management, UNEP-CCC ➤ Ms. Zeynep Bakir, Climate Transparency Specialist, UNDP ❖ Fishbowl Discussion with the Audience: Can you share an example of how BTR findings have already influenced or are expected to influence national climate policies or NDC updates?
<p>10:30 – 11:00</p>	<p>Coffee Break</p>

11:00 – 12:15	<p>Breakout Sessions</p> <p>Deep dive Discussions on Transparency as a Catalyst for NDCs</p> <p>Participants join one of the six breakout groups relating on one key insight as listed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ GHG Emission Projections as a Foundational Starting Point (in Spanish and in English) ➤ Supporting Targets with Implementable Policies and Measures ➤ Ownership of Policies and Measures (in French) ➤ Linking Climate Policies with National Development Policies ➤ Establishing Indicators for Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E)
12:15 – 12:45	<p>Panel Reflections from Breakout Groups</p> <p>Participants provide feedback from the breakout groups through event app and/or on stage. The moderator closes the session.</p>
12:45 – 13:45	Lunch Break
13:45 – 14:00	<p>Energizer</p> <p><i>Forum Facilitator conducts an “energizer” to activate the forum participants for the second part of the day, after lunch.</i></p>
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Transparency Beyond Reporting – Unlocking Investment, Policy, and Economic Transformation for NDC 3.0</p> <p><i>This session aims to reframe climate transparency not merely as a reporting obligation under the UNFCCC, but as a strategic tool to support whole-of-economy transformation. When transparency systems are designed to integrate data from both public and private sources, they serve not only to meet UNFCCC reporting obligations, but also to unlock climate finance, enhance policy decision-making, and prepare countries and industries for mechanisms like the EU CBAM (Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism) and global carbon markets. This session will explore how development partners and financial institutions are leveraging climate transparency systems to unlock and scale finance for climate action. This session also features case studies from countries that have successfully translated transparency frameworks into concrete investment opportunities. Presenters will share how</i></p>

	<p><i>they linked climate commitments to pipeline-ready projects and unlocked support through improved data, policy credibility, and planning coherence.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Welcome and Introduction, Moderator: Mariana Castaño ❖ Setting the Scene: Reframing Climate Transparency - Claudia Ortiz, Lead - Technical Support on NDC and Climate Strategies, UNDP ❖ Panel Discussion - Enabling Finance Through Transparency: Perspectives from Support Providers and Finance Partners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms. Eleni Kyrou, Head of Sustainability and Inclusion, Green Climate Fund ➤ Mr. Karan Chouksey, Climate Change Specialist, Asian Development Bank ➤ Mr. Henning Wuester, Director, ICAT ❖ Country Insights: Strengthening the Transparency–Finance Nexus for Climate Action <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Ricardo Vieira Araujo, Technologist, Brazil ➤ Mr. Thuso Tserane, Project Manager, South Africa ➤ Mr. Mohamed Sanogo, National Coordinator, Côte d'Ivoire ❖ Q&A ❖ Closing
15:30 – 16:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>
16:00 – 17:30	<p>Transparency Bazaar & “Ask me Anything/Troubleshooting” Session</p> <p>The Transparency Bazaar will serve as an interactive marketplace where transparency support providers and Forum participants can connect directly. Similar to last year’s session, each partner will have a table to showcase their support initiatives, achievements, and tools. Participants will be encouraged to circulate among the tables, ensuring balanced interaction across all partners.</p> <p>Beyond showcasing support, the Bazaar will also function as a mini clinic: a space where participants can raise questions, discuss challenges, and seek tailored advice from support providers. This open “Ask Me Anything /</p>

	Troubleshooting” format will make the session both practical and solution-oriented, allowing countries to exchange experiences and receive hands-on guidance to advance their transparency efforts.
17:30	Wrap-up of Day 2
Time	Day 3 - 5 September 2025
09:00 – 09:15	Opening and Reflections from Day 2 Using the graphic visuals, the Forum Facilitator summarizes the key takeaways from day 2, outlines the agenda for the last day of the forum.
09:15 – 10:15	From Projects to Systems: Institutionalizing Climate Transparency for Sustained ETF Reporting <i>This session aims to support developing countries in institutionalizing climate transparency by sharing country experiences, good practices, and practical solutions for sustained and systematic reporting under the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF). It will feature lessons from developing countries, including those with CBIT projects, explore enabling conditions, and facilitate peer-to-peer learning through structured breakout discussions. The session will also reflect on how countries can move from ad hoc reporting practices to systemic, institutionalized approaches that embed transparency into national systems ensuring sustainability of reporting.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Opening - Moderator: Ms. Suzanne Lekoyiet, Task Manager, UNEP ❖ Setting the Stage: GEF Portfolio Overview of Transparency Resources - Esteban Bermúdez Forn, Climate Change Specialist, GEF ❖ Panel Discussion - Country Experiences: Building Sustainable Transparency Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Ms. Virginia Sena, Climate Transparency Specialist, Uruguay ➢ Mr. Esono Faustino Anda, Engineer, Equatorial Guinea ➢ Mr. Don H. Shin, Researcher, Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Research Center (GIR), Republic of Korea ➢ Mr. A. Azis Kurniawan, Policy and Advocacy Manager, Indonesia ❖ Q&A
10:15 – 10:45	Coffee Break

10:45 – 11:45	<p>Breakout Sessions</p> <p>Deep dive Discussions on Institutionalizing Climate Transparency</p> <p>Participants will be divided into six thematic groups for focused discussions on key aspects of institutionalizing climate transparency. Each group will explore challenges, share experiences, and co-develop practical solutions, guided by targeted questions to support sustained and effective ETF reporting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Establishing Functioning Institutional Arrangements ❖ Building Sustainable Human and Technical Capacities ❖ Improving Data Collection, Management, and Sharing (in French and in Spanish) ❖ Mobilizing Finance for Institutional Sustainability
11:45 – 12:15	<p>Panel Reflections from Breakout Groups</p> <p>Participants provide feedback from the breakout groups through event app and/or on stage. The moderator closes the session.</p>
12:15 – 13:15	Lunch Break
13:15 – 14:45	<p>Programming Transparency Resources</p> <p><i>Programming transparency resources is essential to move from fragmented, project-based support toward a strategic, long-term approach that strengthens national systems and capacities. This requires aligning available transparency support with clearly defined national priorities and sequencing interventions over time to ensure each investment builds on the last. This approach creates predictable, coordinated, and country-driven support that sustains transparency beyond individual reporting cycles and delivers lasting capacity to meet ETF requirements. This session will examine how strategic, country-driven programming of resources can address the challenges of sustaining transparency systems beyond short-term projects.</i></p> <p>Moderator: Henning Wuester, Director, ICAT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Scene-setting - Henning Wuester, Director, ICAT ❖ Panel Discussion with the GEF, its Implementing Agencies, and country representatives ❖ Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Esteban Bermúdez Forn, Climate Change Specialist, GEF

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms. Suzanne Lekoyiet, Task Manager, UNEP ➤ Ms. Patricia Velasco, GEF Transparency Portfolio Specialist, UNDP ➤ Ms. Mirella Salvatore, Senior Climate Change Expert, FAO ➤ Ms. Kamil Salazar, Climate Change MRV Officer, Belize ➤ Mr. Fredrick Ouma, Project Manager, Kenya ➤ Ms. Leya Zgheib, Project Coordinator, Lebanon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Q&A (15 min) ❖ Closing
14:45 - 15:15	<p>Collective Reflections on CBIT-GSP - Insights for the Next Phase</p> <p><i>This session is aimed at collecting feedback from countries and partners on the work and achievements of the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency - Global Support Programme (CBIT-GSP) to date. This phase of the project is set to conclude at the end of 2026 while the next phase is under preparation. These reflections will serve as key input in the design of the follow-up project in 2027.</i></p>
15:15 - 15:30	<p>Award Ceremony</p> <p>Facilitators: Khetsiwe Khumalo & Denis Desgain, UNEP-CCC</p> <p><i>This session provides the opportunity to recognise countries' engagement in the transparency networks activities and their commitment to south-south exchange, as well as leading users of the event app. Symbolic rewards will be distributed to one country per network in various categories. CBIT-GSP provides awards to champion countries related to the climate transparency platform in the different networks according to specific criteria.</i></p>
15:30 – 16:30	<p>Closing of the Global Transparency Forum - Reflections and Looking Ahead</p> <p><i>This session is aimed at discussing and reflecting on the key takeaways from the second Global Transparency Forum, including lessons learned and remaining gaps and challenges. This session will also explore how to pave a way forward towards the next critical processes, including the submission of countries' updates or new NDCs and the second round of countries' BTRs.</i></p> <p>Presentation of the Key Graphic Visual by the Forum Facilitator</p> <p>Panel on Organiser and Partner Perspectives:</p>

- ❖ Mr. Asher Lessels, Head, GEF Climate Mitigation Unit, UNEP
- ❖ Mr. Esteban Bermúdez Forn, Climate Change Specialist, GEF
- ❖ Ms. Tugba Icmeli, Transparency Team Lead, UNFCCC
- ❖ Dr. Henning Wuester, Director, ICAT
- ❖ Mr. Oscar Zarzo Fuertes, Head, PATPA Secretariat

Panel on Country Perspectives:

- ❖ Ms. Duduzile Nhlengethwa-Masina, Director, Eswatini
- ❖ Ms. Suzalina Binti Kamaruddin, Deputy Undersecretary, Malaysia
- ❖ Mr. Henry Casper Tufah, Deputy Director Climate Change Division, Solomon Island

Interaction with the participants – Questions will be asked to the participants through the events app and slido (e.g. What is your key highlight of the forum? Based on the discussions here, what is the most important next step your country or institution should take to advance transparency and NDC implementation?)

Closing Remarks

- ❖ Ms. Seohyeon Lee, Director of International Cooperation Bureau, Ministry of Environment, Republic of Korea