



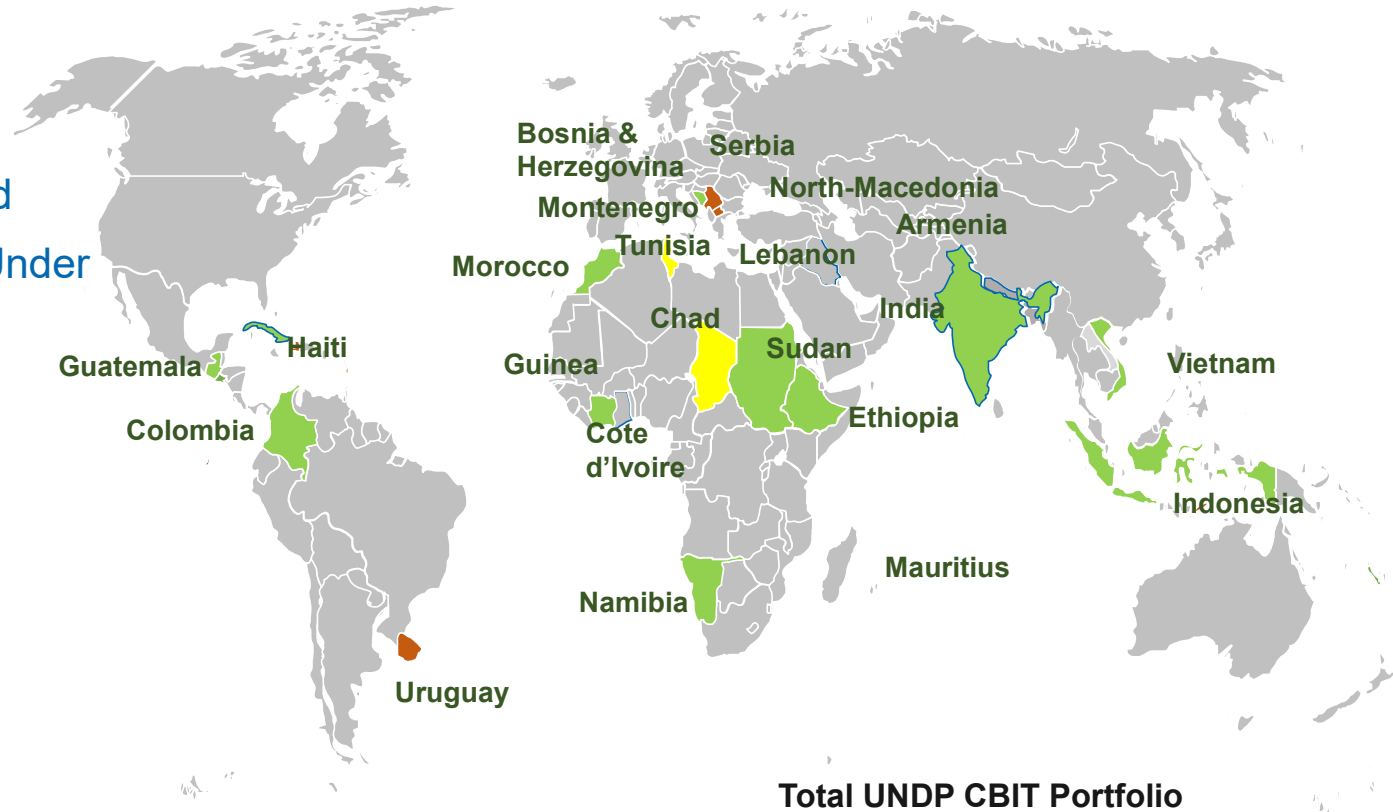
A Closing Conversation with Serbia – Reflections on its CBIT Project in Regional Context

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CBIT Projects in the Western Balkan



- Serbia - Closed
- North-Macedonia – Closed
- Bosnia & Herzegovina – Under Implementation
- Montenegro – Under Implementation



Total UNDP CBIT Portfolio

- Under Development (2)
- Approved/Under Implementation (16)
- Closed (3)

Focus of CBIT projects in the region



- Supporting ETF readiness and alignment of domestic legal frameworks with the EU climate acquis



Strengthening institutional arrangements and information exchange to meet ETF requirements



Enhancing GHG Inventories and MRV systems for tracking emissions and the progress towards NDC targets



Enhancing monitoring systems for adaptation and assessing climate change impacts



Knowledge Management and Peer Learning

Lessons Learned



- Synergies and complementary with other projects and initiatives: including GEF CC Enabling Activities and GCF NAP Readiness projects.
- Fostering transparent inter-sectoral cooperation and building resilience against loss of knowledge and institutional memory in key national institutions.
- Strong support and investment needed from national institutions in the operationalization of the MRV system following project closures.
- Focus on operationalizing and harmonizing legal frameworks for data collection, management, quality control and archiving to enable sustainable transparency and reporting systems.
- Integration of MRV and M&E tools/platforms into existing Environmental Information Systems.
- Inclusion of local governments into the reporting of climate related data and linking local climate smart IT systems with the national MRV platform.
- Gender integration to enable inclusive policy planning, implementation and reporting processes.
- Mid-term review (CBIT Serbia) and adaptive management.
- Role of regional exchanges and peer learning.



Regional exchange and peer learning



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Next steps



- Serbia: 1BTR + 4NC/2BTR: under GEF approval
 - North-Macedonia: 1BTR + 5NC/2BTR: expressed interest
 - Bosnia & Herzegovina: 1BTR + 5NC/2BTR: under GEF approval
 - Montenegro: 4NC/BTR1: under implementation
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- Adaptation Communication as component of BTRs and NC/BTRs
 - Potential CBIT2 projects