



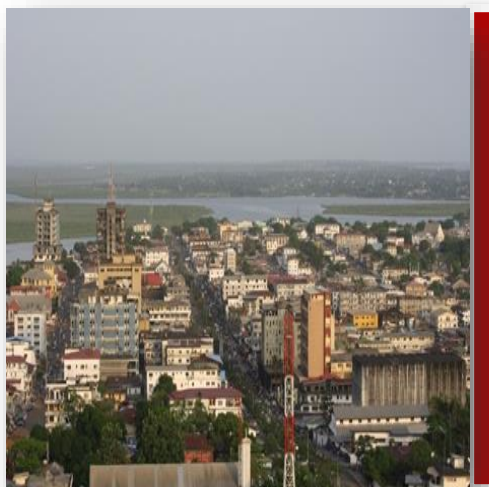
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“ An Overview of
Liberia’s Capacity
Building Initiative for
Transparency(CBIT)”



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Updated Report of CBIT Implementation in Liberia

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What is meant by CBIT and Its Background?



The **Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT)**, came into fruition as a result of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change which primarily rests upon a foundation of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) originally submitted by Parties to the Convention in 2015, and formally adopted on November 4, 2016. Each NDC represents the national plan pledges individual countries have made to meet the universal goal of keeping global temperature increases to well below 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels (while aiming for 1.5 degrees Celsius) to avoid the worst impacts of climate change.



Cont'd What is meant by CBIT and Its Background?



Consequently, a key result of the Paris Agreement negotiations was the establishment of an **“Enhanced Transparency Framework”** for tracking and reporting the progress of existing and future country commitments, with built-in flexibility included for non-Annex I Parties. For this reason, the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT) was created at the request of Parties to help strengthen the institutional and technical capacities of non-Annex I countries to meet the enhanced transparency requirements defined in Article 13 of the Paris Agreement.



CBIT Projects



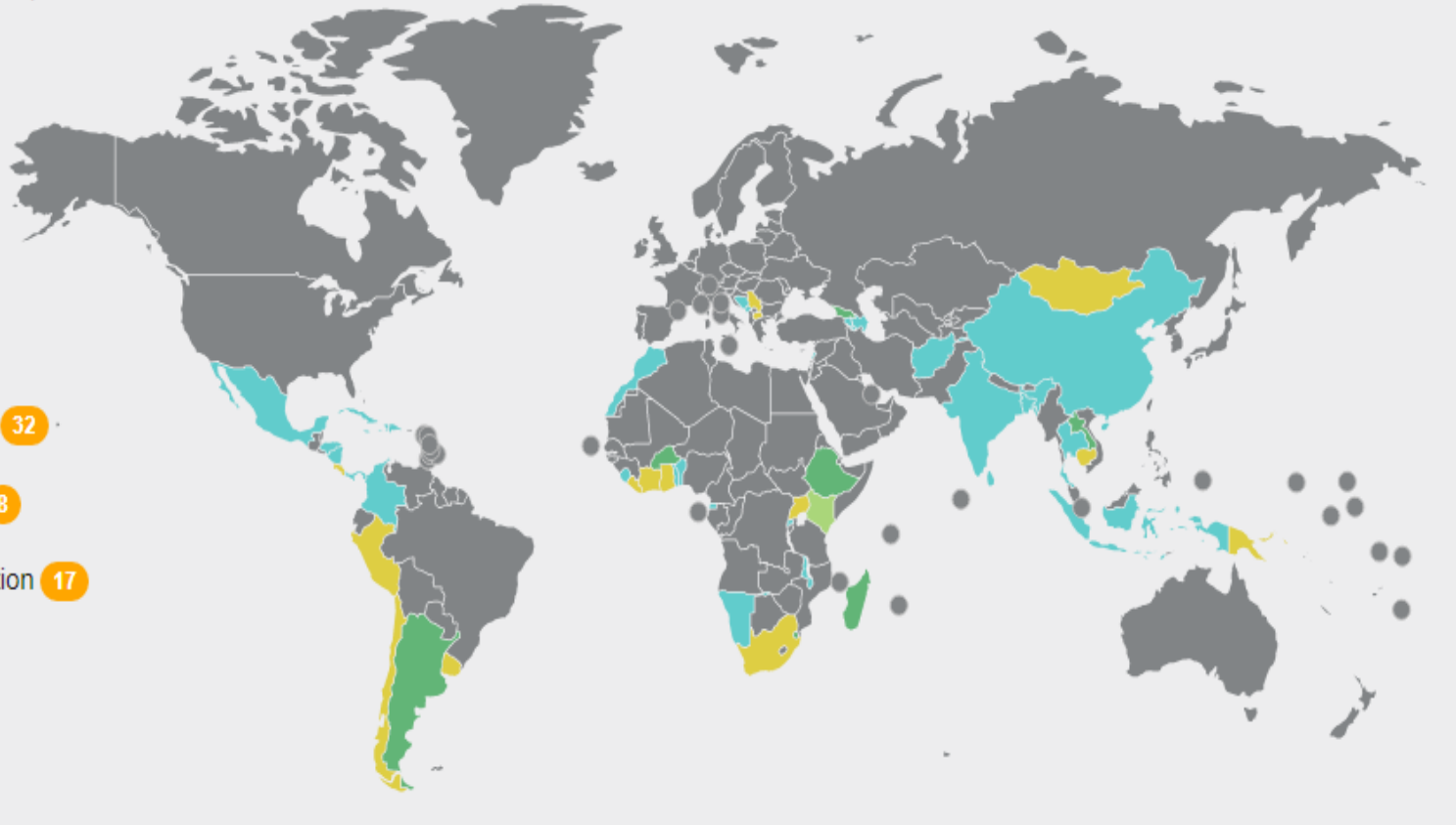
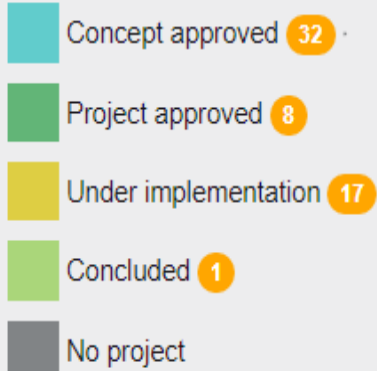
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The CBIT has three aims:

- Strengthen national institutions for transparency related activities in line with national priorities;
- Provide relevant tools, training, and assistance for meeting the provisions stipulated in Article 13 of the Agreement;
- Assist in the improvement of transparency over time.



Detail specifics of Liberia's CBIT



TITLE

- “Building and strengthening Liberia’s national capacity to implement the transparency elements of the Paris Climate Agreement”

OBJECTIVE

- To build and strengthen Liberia’s national capacity to implement the transparency elements of the Paris Climate Agreement

GEF PROJECT GRANT

- USD 1.344.495

Start and End Date of the Project:

January 18, 2019 to December 18, 2020



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Detail specifics of Liberia's CBIT



Implementing Agencies



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Detail specifics of Liberia's CBIT



STAKEHOLDERS

- Environmental Protection Agency
- Forestry Development Authority (FDA)
- The Liberia Institute of Statistics and Geo-Information Services (LISGIS)
- Ministry of Finance and Development Planning (MFDP)
- NGOs and civil society organizations

Sectors/Hubs

- Mining
- Forestry
- Agriculture
- Waste
- Transport
- Academia



Achievements of CBIT Implementation in Liberia



- ❑ A **Work plan** to guide the Implementation of CBIT in Liberia was developed
- ❑ A National Focal Point for CBIT was nominated, Project Manager CBIT, Coordinators for GHG and Capacity Building were recruited for the Project
- ❑ A media Expert/Consultant was recruited to develop a Communication strategy and held stakeholder engagements in Monrovia, Bomi, Bong and Montserrado and other parts of Liberia
- ❑ A Capacity and Training Needs Assessment Consultant was hired and submitted the inception report



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- ❑ **A Cooperation Framework has been developed:** It seeks to navigate between the relevant NDC sectors for the exchange of data and avoid possible duplication;
- ❑ **Five(5)** sector hubs have been established and Team leads identified;
- ❑ **1st and 2nd Project Steering Committee(PSC)** brought together policy makers from relevant Ministries and Agencies together in July and October to provide update on the CBIT Implementation
- ❑ **6 NDC Sector meetings** have been held(roles and responsibilities, mapping process, & understanding of the sector
- ❑ Logistical support to NDC hubs are ongoing way



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- ❑ CBIT Workshop on Gender Mainstreaming into GHG processes held September 18, 2019
- ❑ The Consultant has finalized draft the Capacity Assessment Report which has to be reviewed and validated
- ❑ Quarter 2 Year 2 Work Plan has been approved by the Project Steering Committee
- ❑ Cooperative Framework and MOU was developed for Six(6) NDC sectors(UL, MOT,MOA,FDA,MCC,MME) to enhance Data Exchange. The UL is distinct because its data will be researched based.
- ❑ The EPA and CI have submitted to the NDC partnership a proposal to revise Liberia's NDC

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- ❑ The CBIT Project organized a Gender Mainstreaming Awareness Workshop on GHG/MRV systems on 14th November 2019 that brought together relevant stakeholders
- ❑ NDC Sector Hubs signed an MOU on 19th November 2019 with the EPA for data exchange under the CBIT Project and they've also received office equipment's(Laptops Printers, and other accessories) from the EPA to enhance their work. Sectors considered were(MME, FDA, MCC, MOT, MOA, UL)



Expected outcomes from CBIT Implementation in Liberia



- Procedures to measure, track and report mitigation and adaptation data from the land use, agriculture, energy, transport and waste sectors transparently strengthened.
- NDC transparency system in place in accordance with the prescribed UNFCCC standard.
- Capacity of key ministries and stakeholders to effectively utilize the developed NDC transparency system strengthened.
- Coordination among key government agencies on NDC implementation enhanced.



Expected outcomes from CBIT Implementation in Liberia



- Capacity to measure and report land use, agriculture, energy, transport and waste sectors NDC improved.
- Fully developed data integration and sharing procedure for use by stakeholders as a one-stop source of information for transparency reporting.



International Engagements



8th Anglophone Africa Regional Workshop on Partnership for Transparency in the Paris Agreement May 8-10, 2019 in Uganda, Kampala- organized by GIZ, Ministry of Water and Environment, Uganda & Partnership for Transparency in the Paris Agreement

Workshop Objectives

- Share experiences, challenges and potential solutions related to Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) of adaptation to climate change with a special focus on the agricultural sector, and how it relates to the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF)
- Foster South-South Learning (Success stories from South Africa, Kenya, etc)
- Promote technical capacity building on M&E of adapta climate change(Market Place engagement)



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3rd CBIT Technical Global Coordination Workshop (May 21-23, 2019), Rome, Italy. Organized By UNDP, Global Support Programme, UN Environment, UNEP DTU Project

Objectives:

- Analyzing and supporting enhanced understanding of key elements and components of national CBIT projects already approved;
- Identifying common approaches to existing challenges in the implementation of the enhanced transparency framework and
- Presenting the support available through the CBIT Global Coordination Platform. (<https://www.cbitplatform.org/>)



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- CBIT National Focal, Project Manager and Project Lead will participate in the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Conference of Parties upcoming in Madrid Spain from December 2-13, 2019.



Conclusion



In Conclusion the purpose of the framework for **transparency** of support is to provide clarity on support provided and received by relevant individual Parties, and, to the extent possible, to provide a full **overview** of aggregate financial support provided, to inform the global stocktake.

Global Stocktake Meaning: is a key element in the ambition mechanism of the Agreement; it will provide countries with the basis for strengthening their actions and submitting new national climate commitments in the two years following each successive **global stocktake**



Cont'd Conclusion



Transparency is the backbone of the **Paris Agreement**. It builds confidence in the entire process – trust that your neighbour is also working hard. The new **Enhanced Transparency Framework** (ETF) agreed at Katowice(COP 24) builds on and **enhances** existing Monitoring, Reporting, and Verification (MRV) arrangements.



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