

Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency

June 2016

GEF Secretariat

Background

Paris Agreement, Transparency, and CBIT



Paris Agreement Article 13: Transparency

- To build **mutual trust and confidence** and to promote **effective implementation**
- Enhanced transparency framework for **action and support**
- With built-in **flexibility** to take into account Parties' different capacities and building upon collective experience

CBIT Establishment

Paris Decision Paragraph 84

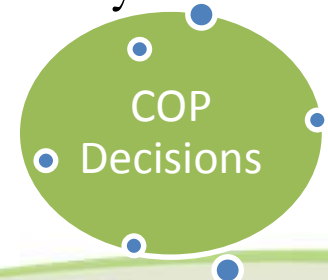
- Decides to establish a Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency in order to build institutional and technical capacity, both pre- and post-2020
- This initiative will support developing country Parties, upon request, in meeting enhanced transparency requirements as defined in Article 13 of the Agreement in a timely manner



CBIT Aims

Paris Decision Paragraph 85:

- a) To strengthen national institutions for transparency-related activities in line with national priorities
- b) To provide relevant tools, training and assistance for meeting the provisions stipulated in Article 13 of the Agreement
- c) To assist in the improvement of transparency over time



CBIT and GEF's Role

Paris Decision Paragraph 86:

Urges and requests the GEF to make arrangements to support the establishment and operation of the CBIT as a priority reporting-related need, including through:

- voluntary contributions to support developing country Parties in the sixth replenishment of the GEF
- and future replenishment cycles
- to complement existing support under the GEF

GEF Council approved CBIT (June 2016)

- ✓ GEF Council approved the establishment and programming directions of the CBIT on June 7
- ✓ These are the Council decisions:
<https://www.thegef.org/gef/node/11832>
<https://www.thegef.org/gef/node/11833>

Key Features of CBIT

✓ CBIT Trust Fund Establishment

- Time bound: support until end of GEF-6 (- June 2018)
- Supported by voluntary donor contributions
- Governance and Trustee arrangements
- GEF policies and program cycle to apply
- CBIT activities to be mainstreamed into GEF-7 (July 2018 -)

✓ CBIT Programming Directions

- Programming at national level and global/regional level
- Eligibility to access support and priorities
- Results and indicators
- Engagement with relevant entities and alignment

Eligibility

In line with the Paris Agreement and its decision, all developing country Parties will have access to CBIT, upon request

CBIT Support

1. National level support

- Developing countries to request resources to implement priorities to build capacity to meet enhanced transparency needs
- Non-exhaustive menu of options under three CBIT aims

2. Global and regional level

- Coordination platform, sharing of best practices, exchange of practitioners, tracking progress, collaboration with existing/emerging initiatives, UNFCCC bodies, collaboration with IPCC and other initiatives supporting UNFCCC process

CBIT Aims and Support Options

1. Activities to strengthen national institutions for transparency-related activities in line with national priorities:

- (a) Support to national institutions to lead, plan, coordinate, implement, monitor, and evaluate policies, strategies, and programs to enhance transparency, including identification and dissemination of best/good practices for institutional strengthening and national network of practitioners.
- (b) Support on how to integrate knowledge from transparency initiatives into national policy and decision-making.
- (c) Assistance with deployment and enhancement of information and knowledge management structure to meet Article 13 needs.

CBIT Aims and Support Options

2. Activities to provide relevant tools, training, and assistance for meeting the provisions stipulated in Article 13:

(d) Access to tools, templates, and applications to facilitate the use of improved methodologies, guidelines, datasets, and database system tools and economic models of enhanced transparency-related activities.

(e) Country-specific training and peer exchange programs on transparency activities, such as establishing domestic MRV systems, tracking NDCs, enhancement of GHG inventories and economic and emissions projections.

(f) Development of country-specific emissions factors and activity data.

CBIT Aims and Support Options

2. Activities to provide relevant tools, training, and assistance for meeting the provisions stipulated in Article 13:

- (g) Assistance in quantifying and reporting impact of policy measures
- (h) Clarifying key NDC information, e.g. baseline projections including for business-as-usual targets, and reporting progress towards achieving their NDCs
- (i) Assistance in quantifying and reporting on support provided and received.

CBIT Aims and Support Options

3. Activities to assist with improvement of transparency over time:

(j) Capacity needs assessment for transparency, in particular to assess institutional arrangements for data collection, analysis, and reporting: the assessment supports mapping of current baseline and planned reporting and related activities, including associated institutions, tools, methodologies, MRV systems, associated data systems.

(k) Support to introduce and maintain progress tracking tools for transparency related actions and progress towards targets/goals.

Thank you and any questions?

www.thegef.org/gef/CC/capacity-building-initiative-for-transparency