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Training Workshop on Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs) - Anglophone & Lusophone Countries -

Entebbe, Uganda
23-24 September 2015

Venue: LAICO Lake Victoria Hotel
Plot 23-31, Circular Road, Entebbe

AGENDA

Participants: Representatives of Anglophone and Lusophone African countries, developed countries, and multilateral and bilateral organizations, as well as other resource experts.

Objectives:

- Provide participants with in-depth technical training in four thematic areas related to INDC preparation (based on the results of a recent UNFCCC survey) through clinics led by resource people;
- Provide a forum for learning from INDC submissions to date;
- Address pending technical questions related to INDC preparation; and
- Improve participants' capacity to prepare and submit INDCs to the UNFCCC Secretariat.

Format:

The workshop will be organized around four clinics. Two clinics will be held in parallel on the first day and two on the second day so that each participant can participate in two clinics. Country teams are encouraged to split up during the clinics so that each country can collectively cover the four clinics during the two-day workshop.

These clinics will rely on submitted INDCs in order to illustrate "good practices" or different options for presenting INDCs. Each clinic will include an introductory presentation by a resource person, an example from a chosen country (especially among those that have already submitted INDCs), a short practical exercise, and opportunities for roundtable discussions throughout the sessions (for countries to share their own experiences and seek advice).

Representatives of international organizations, developed countries, and other institutions participating in the training workshop will make themselves available for one-to-one discussions with country representatives who may wish to discuss specific concerns or questions regarding their INDCs.



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WEDNESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER

8:30-9:00	Registration
9:00-10:00 (Plenary) <i>Moderator:</i> <i>International Partnership</i>	<p>Welcoming Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Chebet Maikut, Government of Uganda <p>Opening & Objectives of Workshop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Almaz Gebru, Country Director, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Uganda • Mr. Sven Egbers, International Partnership on Mitigation & MRV <p>Round of Introductions</p>
10:00-10:30 (Plenary) <i>Moderator:</i> <i>UNFCCC</i>	<p>Brief Update on INDC Process & Submissions to Date</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Claudio Forner, UNFCCC Secretariat <p>Question & Answer Session</p>
10:30-11:00 (Plenary) <i>Moderator:</i> <i>UNFCCC RCC</i>	<p>Learning from Submitted/Advanced INDCs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Ghrmawit Haile, Government of Ethiopia • Mr. Stephen King'uyu, Government of Kenya
11:00-11:30	Coffee Break
11:30-13:00 (Plenary) <i>Moderator:</i> <i>UNFCCC RCC</i>	<p>Learning from Submitted/Advanced INDCs (continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Emmanuel Tachie-Obeng, Government of Ghana • Mr. Chebet Maikut, Government of Uganda • Mr. Ousmane Sowe, Government of the Gambia <p>Panel Discussion on Lessons to Consider in Preparing INDCs</p>
13:00-14:00	Lunch
14:00-16:00 (Breakout)	<p>First Clinic Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two clinics (Clinics A and C) will be held simultaneously. Each participant to choose a clinic to participate in based on the clinic descriptions below. Each participant will have an opportunity to participate in a second clinic on Day 2. Country teams are encouraged to split up to collectively cover all four clinics during the two-day workshop.
16:00-14:30	Coffee Break
14:30-18:00 (Breakout)	<p>First Clinic Session (continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participants will continue discussions in the same clinics.



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19:30	<p>Departure for Group Dinner</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet in hotel lobby. Bus will be provided and restaurant (“Faze 3”) is approximately a 10-minute drive from the hotel.

THURSDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER

<p>9:00-10:30 (Plenary) <i>Moderator:</i> <i>Deborah Murphy</i></p>	<p>Monitoring of INDC Implementation & Co-Benefits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This session will address considerations for monitoring progress toward INDC implementation, including the monitoring of non-greenhouse gas benefits associated with INDCs. Participants will discuss data needs, implications of co-benefits on political support, possibilities for building on existing national systems, and possible improvements that may need to be made to monitoring systems in the context of INDCs. Ms. Deborah Murphy, International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD) Ms. Khetsiwe Khumalo, Government of Swaziland <p>Facilitated Roundtable Discussion</p>
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break
11:00-12:30 (Breakout)	<p>Second Clinic Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two clinics (Clinics B and D) will be held simultaneously. Each participant to choose a clinic to participate in based on the clinic descriptions below.
12:30-13:30	Lunch
13:30-15:30 (Breakout)	<p>Second Clinic Session (continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants will continue discussions in the same clinics.
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break
16:00-17:30 (Plenary) <i>Moderator:</i> <i>UNDP</i>	<p>Recap of Four Clinics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitators/participants from each clinic <p>Facilitated Roundtable Discussion</p>
17:30-18:00 (Plenary)	<p>Next Steps & Closing Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Michael Comstock, UNDP Mr. Sven Egbers, International Partnership on Mitigation & MRV
18:00	Adjourn



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Clinic Descriptions:

Clinic A – INDC Baseline & Data Issues
<p>Description: This session will focus on key technical challenges that countries are facing in preparing INDCs, such as determining baselines and addressing data gaps. Taking into account the short timeline for preparing INDCs, the session will provide participants with practical advice for determining baselines and for preparing INDCs in countries where robust data may be lacking (e.g., emissions data, data on mitigation potential, etc.). This clinic will discuss simple approaches for emission projections in the absence of baselines and how to improve old or incomplete baseline information to account for potential economic and other structural changes in a given country in order to provide a more solid basis for estimation of emission reduction potentials from proposed contributions. Furthermore, the session will discuss how business-as-usual and mitigation baselines, or similar approaches, can assist countries in sector prioritization and determining potential emission reduction targets. Discussions will address practical approaches to improve data, including opportunities for using proxy data to fill data gaps and achieving agreement among ministries in establishing baselines. Participants will also have the opportunity to learn from peer countries on how they are dealing with these technical challenges.</p> <p>Introductory Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Emelia Holdaway, Ricardo-AEA (20-30 min.) • Question & Answer session <p>Country Intervention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Chebet Maikut, Government of Uganda (10-15 min.) • Question & Answer session <p>Practical Exercise (approx. 60 min.)</p> <p>Discussion</p>

Clinic B – Options for Packaging INDCs & Information for INDC Submissions
<p>Description: This session will focus on the menu of possible contribution types and how to assess options for packaging INDCs, including the advantages, disadvantages, and implications of the various options. It will address forms and styles of INDCs that can accommodate different needs in terms of information and messages that countries may wish to highlight. The session will also address upfront information that may be included in INDC submissions, taking into account the diversity of contribution types and co-benefits. Discussions on upfront information will focus in particular on reference points, assumptions/methodologies (e.g., related to inventories, emissions projections, specific contribution types, etc.), long-term goals, and options for articulating fairness and ambition of INDCs. Given the relevance of LULUCF for African countries, this session</p>



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will also address options for including LULUCF in INDCs. It will emphasize providing the necessary information in a concise manner, while also ensuring transparency and coherence of the information and messages communicated through the INDCs. Discussions will build on paragraph 14 of the Lima COP decision and INDCs that have already been submitted to the UNFCCC.

Introductory Presentation

- **Mr. Revocatus Twinomuhangi**, Climate & Development Knowledge Network (CDKN), and **Ms. Janie Rioux**, Food & Agriculture Organization (FAO) (20-30 min.)
- Question & Answer session

Country Interventions

- **Mr. Emmanuel Tachie-Obeng**, Government of Ghana, and **Mr. Ousmane Sowe**, Government of the Gambia (10-15 min.)
- Question & Answer session

Practical Exercise (approx. 60 min.)

Discussion

Clinic C – Adaptation Components in INDCs

Description:

The Lima COP decision invited Parties to consider communicating “undertakings in adaptation planning or... an adaptation component” in INDCs and afforded them considerable flexibility in how to do so. This session will focus on options for adaptation for those countries that are planning to include adaptation in their INDC, drawing on INDC submissions to date and the recent UNDP/WRI guidance document “Designing and Preparing INDCs.” In presenting possible categories of information that may be included, the session will take into account the varying levels of adaptation planning already underway in countries (e.g., countries with completed National Adaptation Plans, countries that have not yet begun adaptation planning, etc.). Discussion topics will include rationales for including adaptation; articulating a long-term vision to improve climate resilience; incorporating the interests and priorities of stakeholders; prioritizing needs; identifying adaptation contributions that are aligned with the long-term vision, including co-benefits of proposed adaptation contributions; and building on current processes.

Introductory Presentation

- **Ms. Deborah Murphy**, IISD (20-30 min.)
- Question & Answer session

Country Intervention

- **Mr. Stephen King’uyu**, Government of Kenya (10-15 min.)
- Question & Answer session



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Practical Exercise (approx. 60 min.)

Discussion

Clinic D – Procedural Issues & Domestic Validation of INDCs

Description:

This session will focus on procedural issues around the submission of INDCs, including internal approval processes; engaging other ministries and stakeholders; and securing high-level political endorsement or approval of contributions. It will also provide an opportunity for participants to discuss in a roundtable setting the review and domestic validation of INDCs, which should be carried out at the national level to secure the necessary political endorsement.

Introductory Presentation

- **Mr. Claudio Forner**, UNFCCC Secretariat, **Mr. Sven Egbers**, GIZ, and **Mr. Heiner von Luepke**, GIZ (20-30 min.)
- Question & Answer session

Country Intervention

- **Ms. Ghrmawit Haile**, Government of Ethiopia (10-15 min.)
- Question & Answer session

Practical Exercise (approx. 60 min.)

Discussion