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# Background

The concept of National Appropriate Mitigation Actions, NAMAs, is becoming increasingly important in the international climate negotiations and in combating climate change. Although it includes different approaches and scale of mitigation actions, NAMAs is and will be a vital part of developing countries low emission development strategies. All NAMAs should aim to demonstrate the climate benefits of the mitigation actions. Systems for measuring, reporting and verifying (MRV) the NAMAs would benefit from being as consistent, systematic and transparent as possible.

The side event on MRV of NAMAs will provide an opportunity to follow up on earlier discussions on NAMA finance. One issue that has been discussed is whether there should be some minimum requirements for MRV systems when it comes to NAMAs. There are different opinions on what these minimum requirements in such case should be, and what the role of the UNFCCC would be in this regards. Issues have also been raised on whether there should be a differentiation in the MRV system between different types of NAMAs – domestic and supported NAMAs respectively NAMAs as element in the new market based mechanism, or if the MRV framework required be equally comprehensive regardless of the type of NAMA.

#### Nordic Partnership Initiative on Up-scaled Mitigation Action, NPI

The Nordic Partnership Initiative on Up-scaled Mitigation Action (NPI) is an initiative between the Nordic Countries (i.e. Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden), along with Peru and Vietnam. The aim of the NPI is to demonstrate in practice how international climate finance can be matched with up-scaled host country mitigation action through two programmes in Peru and Vietnam. It will therefore explore paths to new partnerships between the developed and the developing world to bring down CO2 emissions. The Nordic Partnership Initiative was launched at COP17 in Durban.

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# Exploring practical experience of NAMAs and MRV requirements

Side event UNFCCC COP 18

Date:December 3rdTime:1.15–2.45 pmPlace:Qatar National Convention Centre, Doha, Qatar, Room no 10Facilitator:Ash Sharma, Vice President, Nordic Environment Finance Corporation<br/>(NEFCO)

# PROGRAMME

#### Introduction

Mr. Ash Sharma, Vice President, Nordic Environment Finance Corporation (NEFCO)

# MRV of NAMAs in the broader context of MRV under UNFCCC

Mr. Claudio Forner, Team leader – Mitigation, Data and Analysis, UNFCCC Secretariat

#### NAMAs and MRV from the perspective of developing countries

*Mr. Eduardo Durand*, Director General Climate Change, Ministry of Environment, Peru *Mr. Luis Munozcano*, Deputy Direcor General for Climate Change Projects, SEMARNAT, Mexico

# NAMAs supported by fast start climate finance – The Danish Vietnamese Energy Efficency Programme Dr. Tran Thuc, Director General, Vietnam Institute of Meteorology, Hydrology and Environment

Ms. Ulla Blatt Bendtsen, Senior Adviser, Danish Energy Agency

The Governments of Vietnam and Denmark co-operate on implementing energy efficiency in Vietnam, and recently signed an agreement to support the second phase of the Vietnam Energy Efficiency Programme VNEEP (2011–2015) with a focus on energy efficiency in small and medium scale industries and in buildings. This is an example of a supported NAMA that includes monitoring and reporting requirements as well as reviews and evaluation of programme performance. A number of indicators have been developed under the VNEEP and focus is on putting in place a coherent national monitoring system that can be sustained once the supported project stops.

#### REDD+ -payments for verified emission reductions – The Guyana Norway Partnership on REDD Mr. Andreas Tveteraas, Deputy Director, Norwegian International Climate and Forest Initiative

Reduction of emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries (REDD+) is an area where there has been valuable experiences with setting up MRV systems to monitor GHG emissions. The Guyana-Norway partnership on REDD+ is a key case study on how a developing country can establish nearly from scratch a national MRV system for the monitoring of emission reductions from the forestry sector and how a donor country can pay for reduced emissions with confidence in the results delivered.

# MRV of NAMAs in a new market based mechanism

Mr. Jochen Harnisch, Head of Division Environment and Climate, KfW Development Bank

## Panel - Way forward for MRV of NAMAs

Mr. Michael Comstock, Manager, International Climate Dialogue Center for Clean Air Policy(CCAP)
Mr. Andreas Tveteraas, Deputy Director, Norwegian International Climate and Forest Initiative
Mr. Luis Munozcano, Deputy Direcor General for Climate Change Projects, SEMARNAT, Mexico
Mr. Jochen Harnisch, Head of Division Environment and Climate, KfW Development Bank

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