

UNDERSTANDING INTERNATIONAL CONSULTATION AND ANALYSIS (ICA)

Experiences and lessons learned – The **Tunisian** experience

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Presentation outline

- ❖ National context;
- ❖ Preparing for the technical analysis and recalling the experience;
- ❖ National impact of the technical analysis;
- ❖ Suggestions for enhancing the technical analysis/encouraging submissions from Parties;
- ❖ Preparing for the first FSV workshop; experience and lessons learned;
- ❖ Potential collaboration identified (support received on identified financial, technological and/or capacity building needs) and;
- ❖ Benefits and plans/next steps for a more effective use of the participation in the ICA process.



National context

- ❑ Name of presenter/country: **Samir Amous / Tunisia**
- ❑ Institutional arrangements:
 - ✓ Former “Ministry of Equipment, Spatial Planning and Sustainable Development” (currently: Ministry of Local Affairs and Environment)
 - ✓ Mry in charge of Agr. & Forestry, Mry in charge of Industry and Energy,
 - ✓ National Energy Conservation Agency, ANPE/ONAS, Cement sector
 - ✓ Samir Amous (fully involved in the preparation and compilation of the BUR) as a vis-à-vis to the whole Tech. Analysis process; including the FSV workshop



Preparing for the technical analysis

- ❑ T.A: a first review process targeting Non-Annex Parties
- ❑ T.A: perceived as a way to improve national submissions, through providing a common understanding, and highlighting transparency requirements of the BUR:
 - ✓ No prior concerns from the Tunisian perspectives
 - ✓ No anticipated expectations on the way it was being implemented, and in the technical implications
- ❑ Time consuming process → implied revisiting several BUR preparation and technical issues



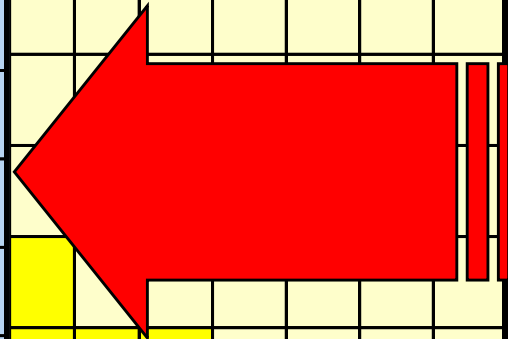
		Month (2015)												Month (2016)				
Dates/month	31 Dec. 2014	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Submission of BUR1																		
First contacts with the Secretariat by Feb-March 2015, to prepare for TA																		
Launching of the technical analysis (<i>Technical clarifications requests/Written exchanges on the BUR, Conf. call with the TA team: more clarifications + common understanding towards identification of capacity-building needs, Several email exchanges during that week</i>)						18-22 May												
Draft Summary Report									Aug. 15									
Feed back from Tunisia: Nov. 2015												Nov. 15						
Several email exchanges and interactions with the TTE																		
Final TA report																	Feb. 16	
FSV workshop																		May 16

Subsequent BUR is ongoing

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TA timeline: Proposal

	Months																	
Months	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Submission of BUR	Yellow																	
First contacts with the Secretariat		Yellow																
Launching of the technical analysis			Yellow															
Draft Summary Report				Yellow														
Country Feed-back						Yellow						Yellow						
Interactions with the TTE							Yellow	Yellow				Yellow	Yellow	Yellow				
Final TA report									Yellow					Yellow				
FSV workshop											Yellow							Yellow



Recalling the experience of the technical analysis

- ❑ Fruitful dialogue with the TTE to identify the capacity-building needs:
 - ✓ Discussions during the TA in May 2015
 - ✓ Several email exchanges to have more details on CB needs

- ❑ Some CB needs were clearly mentioned in BUR or related reports:
 - ✓ Institutionalize the sectoral groups for the GHG Inventory Work
 - ✓ Further capacity enhancement in GHG Inventory in Ind. Processes, AFOLU and Wastes
 - ✓ Regular capacity-building plan for GHG Inventory
 - ✓ Studies and Researches to improve Activity Data and Emission Factors



Recalling the experience of the technical analysis

- ❑ CB topics that have emerged during the TA process :
 - ✓ Cross-cutting issues in GHG Inventory: Uncertainty, QA/QC, Archiving
 - ✓ Studies and Researches to determine time series in GHG Inventory
 - ✓ Enhance capacities of national experts in mitigation assessment and implementation in sectors other than Energy
 - ✓ Enhancing capacities to report on constraints and gaps + related financial, technical and CB needs in the BUR preparation



National impact of the technical analysis

- ❑ Valuable contribution from The UNFCCC Sec.: Facilitate exchanges + keep momentum + Follow-up activities
- ❑ Excellent collaboration spirit with TTE
- ❑ A better understanding of the TA implementation, and interactions with TTE and UNFCCC Sec.
- ❑ Better understanding of TTE vision of the interpretation of the COP decisions as regards to:
 - ✓ Structure and content of the BUR
 - ✓ Completeness and Transparency requirements
 - ✓ Level of details
- ❑ An interesting revisit of the BUR, from a different angle of view



National impact of the technical analysis

- ❑ **Overall: a better idea & common understanding of BUR requirements**
 - ❑ Taking TA report into account: BUR appears to be much demanding in details and scope, and requires much more time than expected
 - ❑ Reflecting TA recommendations will allow for significantly improve the quality of the BUR2:
 - ✓ Where not possible: opportunity to highlight gaps and constraints
 - ❑ Need to find:
 - ✓ A trade-off between necessary time needed to meet concertation/quality requirements and minimum time to elapse from 2 BURs (updating needs)
 - ✓ A National MRV system will allow for a faster preparation process and better reliability of the BUR
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Suggestion for enhancing the technical analysis

- ❑ UNFCCC may highlight, somehow, the importance of BUR as a key submission from countries
- ❑ Regional workshops on the TA process might internalize the ICA process in the BUR preparation, and provide for a common understanding and better ownership of the BUR
- ❑ UNFCCC may publish a guide book based on the results/recommendations of TA process, to help countries better meeting BUR preparation requirements
- ❑ Country (or region) visits from TTE might accelerate and enhance the TA process



Preparing for the first FSV workshop

- ❑ Prior interactions with the Secretariat regarding FSV → adequately and efficiently undertaken
 - ❑ An enriching experience, and a way to take stock from the experiences gained by Annex 1 Parties, in their own national and international review processes
 - ❑ Short notice between reception of comments and preparation of responses → the most challenging issue in the FSV:
 - ✓ FSV workshop: some countries focused more in BUR description than in responding to comments, while the latter + analyzing TA process would have been a key success element for FSV
 - ✓ The Secretariat may prepare and publish a guidance on the content of the Ppt presentation in the next FSVs
 - ✓ Late reception of the Parties' comments was a challenging factor: the Secretariat may define (and apply effectively) appropriate deadlines for sending comments
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Benefits and plans/next steps for a more effective use of the participation in the ICA process

- ❑ Need to allow for possible interactions between TA and FSV, in order to avoid redundancy and provide for effectively additional outputs from FSV
- ❑ The Secretariat may prepare a compilation of the comments targeting a given country → allow for a grouped response from that country





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