

- ⇒ Recommendations to SBI 34 (FCCC/SBI/2011/5) based on the above, and SBI 34 encouraged Parties to take into account these recommendations as appropriate (FCCC/SBI/2011/L.8);
- ⇒ Survey to collect information on problems related to the sustainability of the national communication process and maintenance of national technical teams for the preparation of national communications including GHG inventories, on a continuous basis (2 (c));
- ⇒ Workshop on facilitating the development and long-term sustainability of processes, and the establishment and maintenance of national technical teams, for the preparation of national communications, including GHG inventories, on a continuous basis (20-21 June 2011, Bonn, Germany (FCCC/2011/SBI/10/Add.1));
- ⇒ Continuously supporting Parties where, as and when, the CGE is requested by Parties provide technical advice and support on the provisions of information on steps to integrate climate change considerations (mostly during the workshops).

Planned CGE Activities for 2012

- ⇒ Third regional workshop — GHG inventories for Asian region from 30 January – 3 February 2012 in Sri Lanka;
- ⇒ Fourth regional workshop — mitigation assessment for Asian region from 27 February – 2 March 2012 in Thailand;
- ⇒ Fifth regional workshop — GHG inventories for African region from 23 – 27 April 2012;
- ⇒ Sixth regional workshop — V&A for LAC region from 9 – 13 July 2012;
- ⇒ Seventh regional workshop — mitigation assessment for LAC region from 16 – 20 July 2012;
- ⇒ Eighth regional workshop — mitigation assessment for Africa region from 20 – 24 August 2012;
- ⇒ Ninth regional workshop — V&A for Asian region from 1 – 5 October 2012.



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THE CONSULTATIVE GROUP OF EXPERTS (CGE) ON NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARTIES NOT INCLUDED IN ANNEX I TO THE CONVENTION



The CGE was reconstituted by decision 5 / CP.15 for the period 2010–2012.

OBJECTIVE

To provide technical advice and support to improve the process of and preparation of national communications from non-Annex I Parties



Core mandate of the CGE

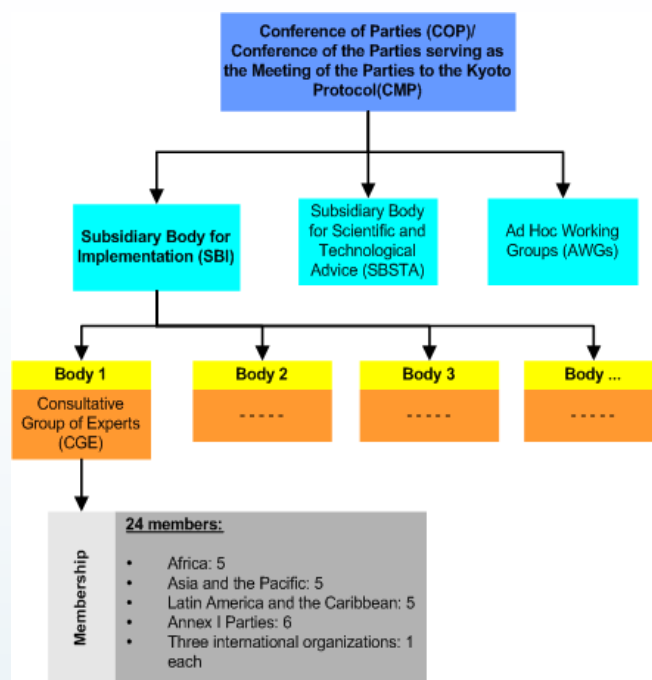
Provide technical advice/assistance/support to the non-Annex I Parties addressing:

- ⇒ Process and preparation of non-Annex I Parties national communications (para 2 (a));
- ⇒ Establishment and maintenance of the national technical teams, for the preparation of national communications, including GHG inventories, on a continuous basis (para 2(c));
- ⇒ Mainstreaming of climate change considerations (para 2(d));
- ⇒ Support for preparation of national communications (para 2(e)).

Provide recommendations, as appropriate, on elements to be considered in a future revision of the guidelines for the preparation of national communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention, taking into account the difficulties encountered by non-Annex I Parties in the preparation of their most recent national communications (para 2(b)).



The CGE meets at least twice a year to review the implementation of its mandate



The membership of the CGE

Implementation of CGE activities includes:

- ⇒ Reviewing and updating of the CGE training materials;
- ⇒ Conducting workshops, including hands-on training;
- ⇒ Collecting information through surveys;
- ⇒ Preparing technical papers for the consideration of the SBI.

Activities implemented thus far by CGE:

- ⇒ Ongoing update of CGE training materials on GHG inventories, V&A and mitigation assessments;
- ⇒ First regional training workshop, held for LAC region on GHG inventories, 5-9 September 2011, Santiago, Chile (*FCCC/SBI/2011/10/Add.2*);
- ⇒ Second regional training workshop was held for Africa region on V&A, 7-11 November 2011, Nairobi, Kenya;
- ⇒ Survey to assess difficulties, challenges, technical problems, and constraints faced by non-Annex I Parties in preparing their national communications, and in using the UNFCCC guidelines for the preparation of national communications from non-Annex I Parties (2(a) and 2(b));
- ⇒ Workshop to exchange views on possible elements to be considered in a future revision of the UNFCCC guidelines for preparation of non-Annex I national communications (21-23 March 2011, Antigua and Barbuda) (*FCCC/SBI/2011/5/Add.1*);



The CGE regularly conducts capacity – building workshops