



# **National Communications: what to report, and when?**

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# Outline

- Context
- Reporting
  - ◆ What information do we need frequently?
  - ◆ How much of this should be in biennial reports/  
full National Communications?
- Questions

# Current MRR/MRV framework

Current focus on:

- ✓ Annex I national GHG levels
- ✓ Annex I entity GHG levels
- ✓ CDM/JI project GHG reductions

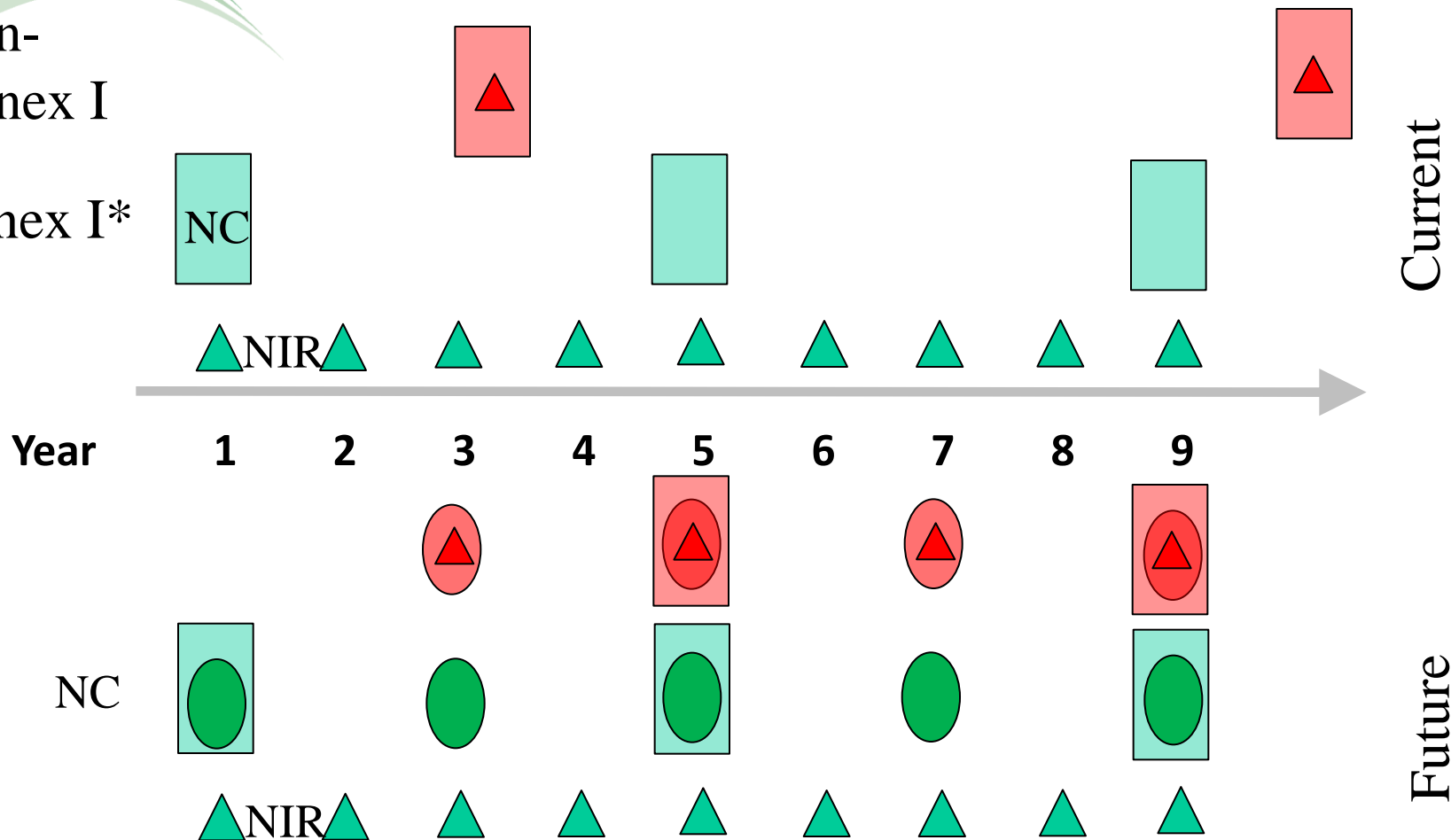
Gaps in terms of:

- ✗ NAI (and global) GHG levels
- ✗ NAI (and global) GHG pathway
- ✗ Effect of actions
- ✗ Support needs/flows

# "Tiers" in current and future reporting framework

Non-Annex I

Annex I\*



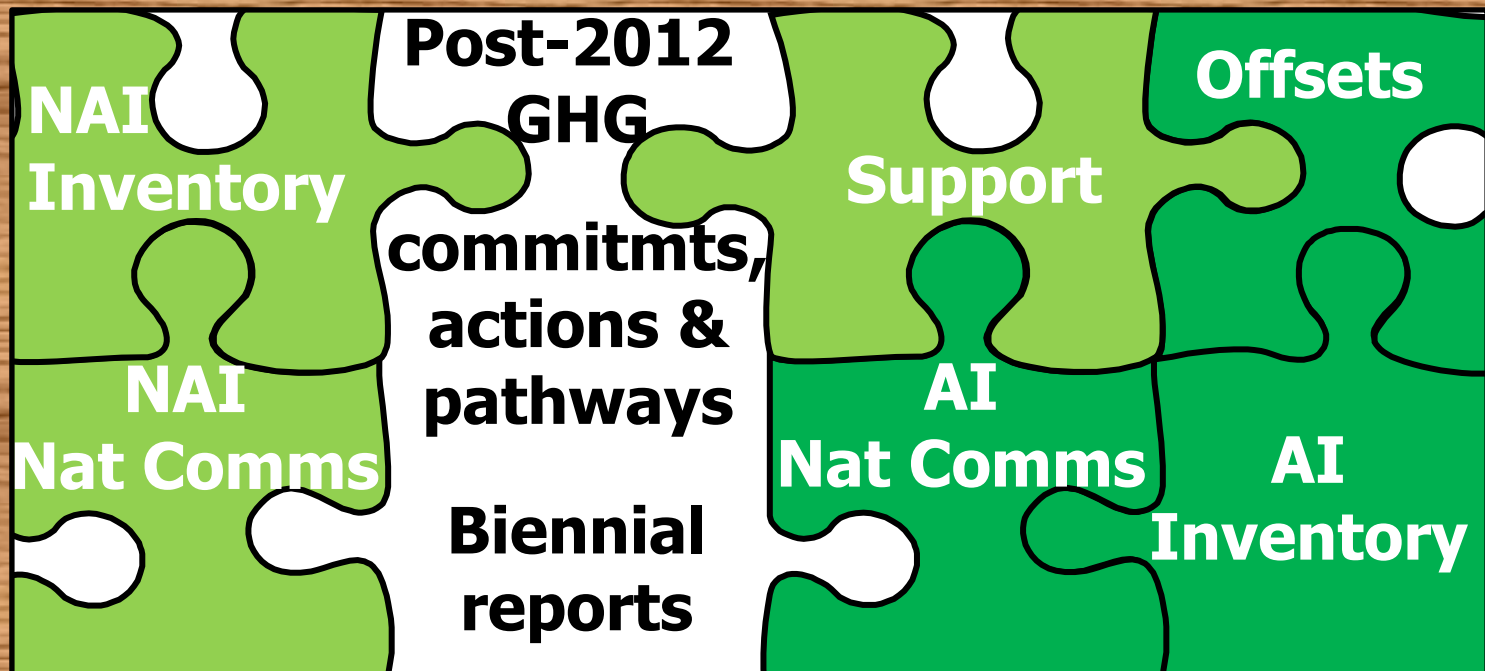
● Tiers also possible e.g. for methods, detail

\* Other info also reported, e.g. via registries, SEF; NAPAs

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# Nat Coms/biennial reports fit into a larger reporting framework

## *MRV Reporting Framework*



# Reporting: What issues to report frequently?

- Parameters:
  - ◆ That can change significantly over 1-2y
    - GHG emissions
    - Support flows (provided/received)
  - ◆ Of particular interest to the international community
    - Progress towards pledges
- Key questions: how many issues to report biennially?
- How much detail is needed?

# Issues to be covered in biennial reports

## Annex I

- Exec Sum
- GHG inventory info
- GHG projections
- **Progress to mitigation commitments**
- Update to mit. actions
- (update to adaptn actions)
- Support flows

## Non-Annex I

- Exec Sum
- GHG inventory info
- (update to projections\*)
- **Progress to mit. goals\***
- Update to mit. actions
- Update to adaptation actions
- Support requested/ received

\*Flexible requirements  
depending on pledge type

# Issues to be covered in “full” National Communications

## Annex I

As for biennial reports +

- National Circumstances
- Mit. actions: policy context; priorities; key actions; M&E procedures
- Climate impacts + vuln.
- Adaptation actions
- RSO

## Non-Annex I

As for biennial reports +

- National Circumstances
- Projections\*
- Mit. actions: policy context; priorities; key actions; MRV procedures
- Climate impacts + vuln.
- RSO

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# Reporting: what and how?

## What?

- Focus on “key” issues: i.e. key GHG source categories, climate vulnerabilities, measures
- Methods/assumptions: builds confidence in information reported
- Both support provided and received

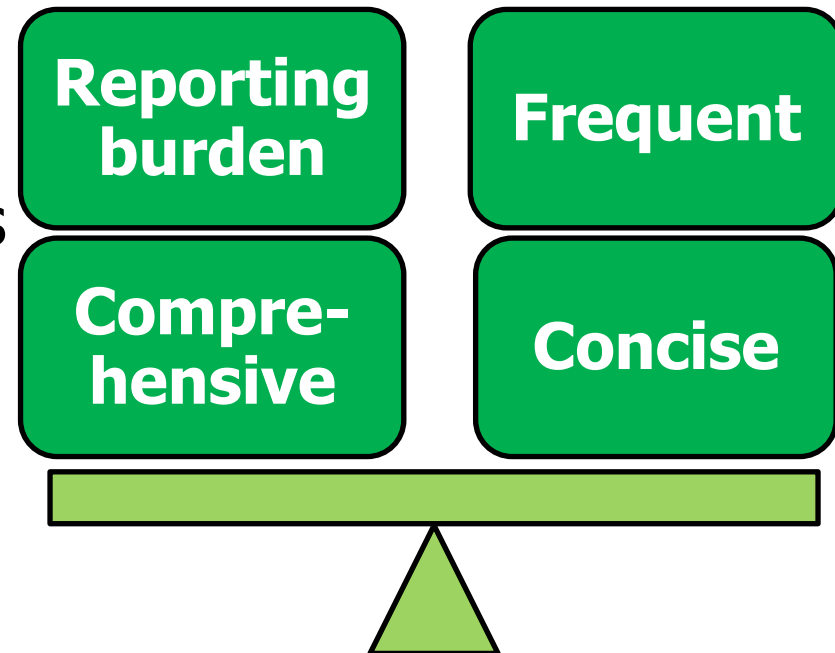
## How?

- Flexibly – varying by country, circumstances etc
- Standard reporting formats: greater use would improve transparency

# Conclusions

- Need a better idea of how NCs fit in reporting picture, and relationship of NCs to biennial reports

- ◆ Tradeoffs will be needed
  - ◆ More resources needed
  - ◆ Flexibility important ...
  - ◆ ... as are standard formats
- ◆ While some issues will take time to resolve, progress on others may be possible for Cancún





**Thank you!**

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# Questions

- What should biennial reports contain, and how do they relate to National Communications?
- Where do NCs fit in the broader reporting picture?
- What level of detail/overlap with other reporting instruments is appropriate?