Side event at SB62, Bonn

Hosted by: El Salvador & Greenhouse Gas Management Institute, ICAT

Strengthening NDCs through effective tracking frameworks

Date: Saturday, 21 June, 2025, 16:30 - 17:45

Room: WCCB, Berlin

1. Description

Based on the experience of El Salvador, Kyrgyzstan and Chile, this event will explore how Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) tracking frameworks can strengthen NDC updates through an integrated approach. Data based on the evaluation of NDC implementation is a strong basis to enhance climate ambition and target setting for the upcoming NDC 3.0 update. Several countries at different stages of development of the Enhanced Transparency Framework will showcase their experience, challenges and solutions to design NDCs in alignment with transparency frameworks to support monitoring and course-correction for effective implementation.

2. Background

NDCs are at the heart of the Paris Agreement, specifying each country's planned contribution to global climate efforts both on mitigation and adaptation. Sound data is needed to both plan effective NDC action and report on progress. Countries are at different stages to establish transparency frameworks linked to their NDCs as part of a continuous process that engages national stakeholders, enables learning and course correction. A strong NDC tracking framework allows them to assess, manage and track progress towards their climate targets.

A strong tracking framework and established institutional arrangements are key to assess, manage and track progress towards their climate targets and inform the upcoming NDC 3.0 update. This is fundamental as the effective implementation of NDCs can generate significant co-benefits but also negative impacts that go beyond climate goals as they affect the country's socio-economic development and sectoral planning priorities. It will be imperative to showcase to sectoral line ministries how effective tracking frameworks strengthen NDCs alongside in alignment with sectoral policies.

3. Objectives

- To provide a platform for discussing challenges, solutions and lessons learned for countries on the benefits of collecting and utilizing data on climate action to support cross-cutting national sustainable development priorities.
- To engage country representatives and key stakeholders highlighting benefits of establishing robust tracking frameworks for NDC implementation.
- To explore strategies for engagement with other national stakeholders and line ministries to utilize data on NDC implementation for cross-cutting national planning and development priorities.
- To raise awareness among Parties, policy makers about the critical importance of robust transparency frameworks for NDC implementation and the associated benefits.

4. Desired Outcomes

- Increased understanding of the linkage between strong transparency/MRV frameworks, NDC implementation and associated use of data for national planning.
- Strengthened dialogue and collaboration among Parties, international organizations and partners on strengthening NDCs through effective tracking frameworks.
- Built momentum and political will for increased investment and interest in establishing and aligning robust transparency/MRV frameworks as a basis for NDC 3.0.

The event will be in English

Overall moderation: Sammy Mwiti, Senior Adviser

5 mins 16:30 - 16:35	Opening by the moderator Sammy Mwiti, ICAT, Senior Adviser: Words of welcome and framing the session's purpose and structure
5 mins 16:35 - 16:40	Opening Remarks ICAT: Setting the context on how transparency feeds into effective NDC processes Dr Henning Wuester
30 mins 16:40 - 17:10	 Technical presentations El Salvador: Jessica Margarita Laguardia, Chief of Staff Unit, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources - MARN - 15 mins Kyrgyzstan: Zhamilya Dairova, Leading specialist, Climate Policy Department, Ministry of Natural Resources, Ecology and Technical Supervision of the Kyrgyz Republic - 10 mins
25 mins 17:05 - 17:30	 Interactive Panel Discussion: Strengthening NDCs through effective tracking frameworks Panellists: Mr Matej Gasperic, Program Director, Greenhouse Gas Management Institute Ms Jessica Margarita Laguardia, Chief of Staff Unit, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources (MARN) - El Salvador Ms Zhamilia Dairova, Leading specialist, Climate Policy Department, Ministry of Natural Resources, Ecology and Technical Supervision of the Kyrgyz Republic Camila Margarita Labarca Wyneken, Head of Mitigation Department at Division for Climate Change, Ministry of Environment, Chile
10min 17:30 - 17:40	Q&A session with audience and discussion
17:40 - 17:45	Reflections and Wrap-up /Closing remarks