

Experience of Annex I countries reporting on financial support:

Main challenges for a complete and transparent reporting

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Experiences in reporting on financial resources

- **Bilateral and multilateral channels** remain essential for provision of financial resources
- Bilateral financial support continues to **focus on mitigation** (in particular on energy, transport and forestry)
- **Funding for adaptation increased** for many Parties compared with that reported in NC4 (in particular on water management, water supply and sanitation, as well as vulnerability assessment)
- Enhanced support for **the use of the flexible mechanisms** of the Kyoto Protocol

Experiences in reporting on transfer of technologies

- **Support for mitigation and adaptation focuses** on R&D and innovations in developed countries, on knowledge sharing and fostering enabling environments in developing countries
- **Partnerships between various stakeholders** considered as an effective channel for the successful transfer of technology
- **Capacity-building as an integral part** of most of the technology transfer programmes and projects
- **Increased initiatives to facilitate private-sector participation** in the transfer of technologies
- Success factors: **capacity-building, cooperation with local stakeholders and favourable enabling environments**

Challenges in reporting financial resources: “new and additional”

- **“New and additional” not always defined and, if defined, different approaches used**
 - a) Different definitions used, for example:
 - increases in contributions to the GEF
 - funds pledged in the Bonn Agreements on the implementation of the Buenos Aires Plan of Action
 - Fast track financing under the Copenhagen Accord
 - b) No benchmark to assess if the definition has been applied (i.e. share of ODA and non-ODA support)
 - c) No clarity how the provision relates to the UN objective of 0.7 per cent of GNI for ODA
- ➔ **Development of concepts and approaches on how “new and additional” could be defined**

Challenges in reporting financial resources: comparability

- **Difficult to compare with the previous submission of a Party and across Parties** due to:
 - a) Different reporting timeframes used by Parties
 - b) Reporting using local currency and without taking into account the inflation
 - c) The 2-3 years lag between actual status and information reflected information in the national communications
 - d) Changing the scope and coverage of reporting
- ➔ **Development of common reporting format including uniform timeframes and accounting methods**

Challenges in reporting financial resources: transparency

- **Difficult to separate financial flows to mitigation and adaptation** due to:
 - a) Various approaches used to distinguish financial resources for mitigation and those for adaptation
 - b) Reporting on some additional categories for adaptation, such as water supply and disaster preparedness
- ➔ **Development of uniform categories and criteria for financial flows for mitigation and those for adaptation**

Challenges in reporting technology transfer

- **Reporting on technology transfer that occurs through private sector channels remains a major issue**

a) No obligation for private sector to report to the Governments

→ **UNCTAD reports might be used as a reference**

b) Growing initiatives by the Governments:

- To facilitate private-sector participation in the transfer of environmentally sound technologies
- To cooperate with and strengthen the “green” private sector in developing countries

→ **These initiatives may serve as a source of information**

Possible ways forward

- **Streamlining the reporting guidelines with a view to provide more detailed guidance to Annex I Parties to address these transparency, completeness and comparability challenges by using:**
 - a) The existing experiences of use of the OECD/DAC “Rio Marker” system
 - b) Information from existing data bases: UNCCD, UNCBD and Ramsar Convention
 - c) Examples of existing reports by several Annex I Parties
- **Development of concept and approaches, in cases where detailed definition could not be identified**

- **UNFCCC reporting guidelines: FCCC/CP/1999/7**
- **Kyoto Protocol reporting guidelines: Decision 15/CMP.1**
- **UNFCCC Compilation and synthesis reports of fifth national communications (NC5) and supplementarity information incorporated in NC5 submitted in accordance with Article 7, paragraph 2 , of the Kyoto Protocol:**
 - a) FCCC/SBI/2011/INF.1, FCCC/SBI/2011/INF.1/Add 1, FCCC/SBI/2011/INF.1/Add 2
 - b) FCCC/SBI/2011/INF.2
- **In-depth review reports of fifth national communications available at secretariat's website**

Thank you very much