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Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT)

UNFCCC Side Event: Moving towards sustainable institutional arrangements for reporting to the Convention and Paris Agreement

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CBIT Support

GEF requested in Paris Agreement decision to support establishment and operation of CBIT
Eligible to all developing parties upon request

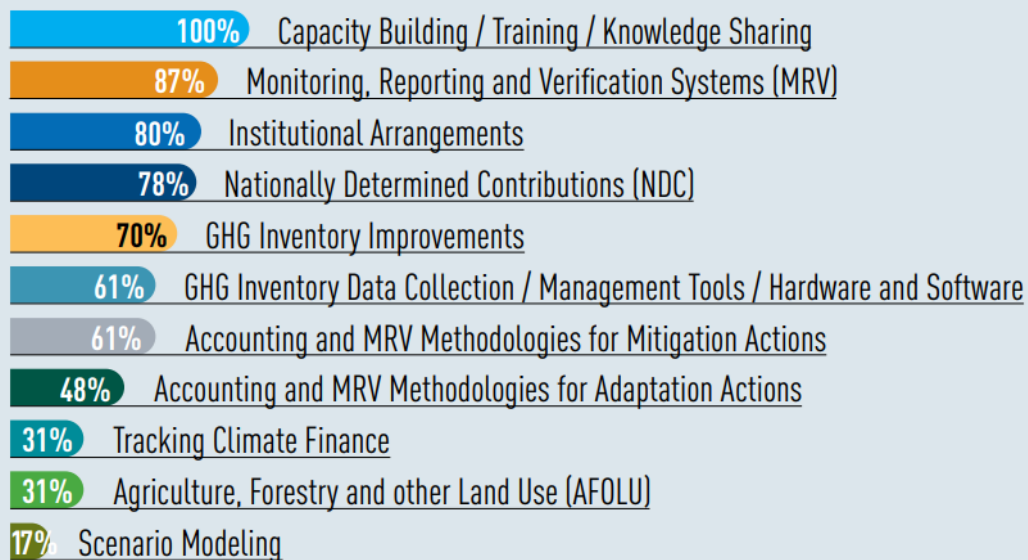
AIMS OF CBIT

1. To strengthen national institutions for transparency-related activities in line with national priorities;
2. To provide relevant tools, training and assistance for meeting the provisions stipulated in Article 13 of the Agreement;
3. To assist in the improvement of transparency over time.



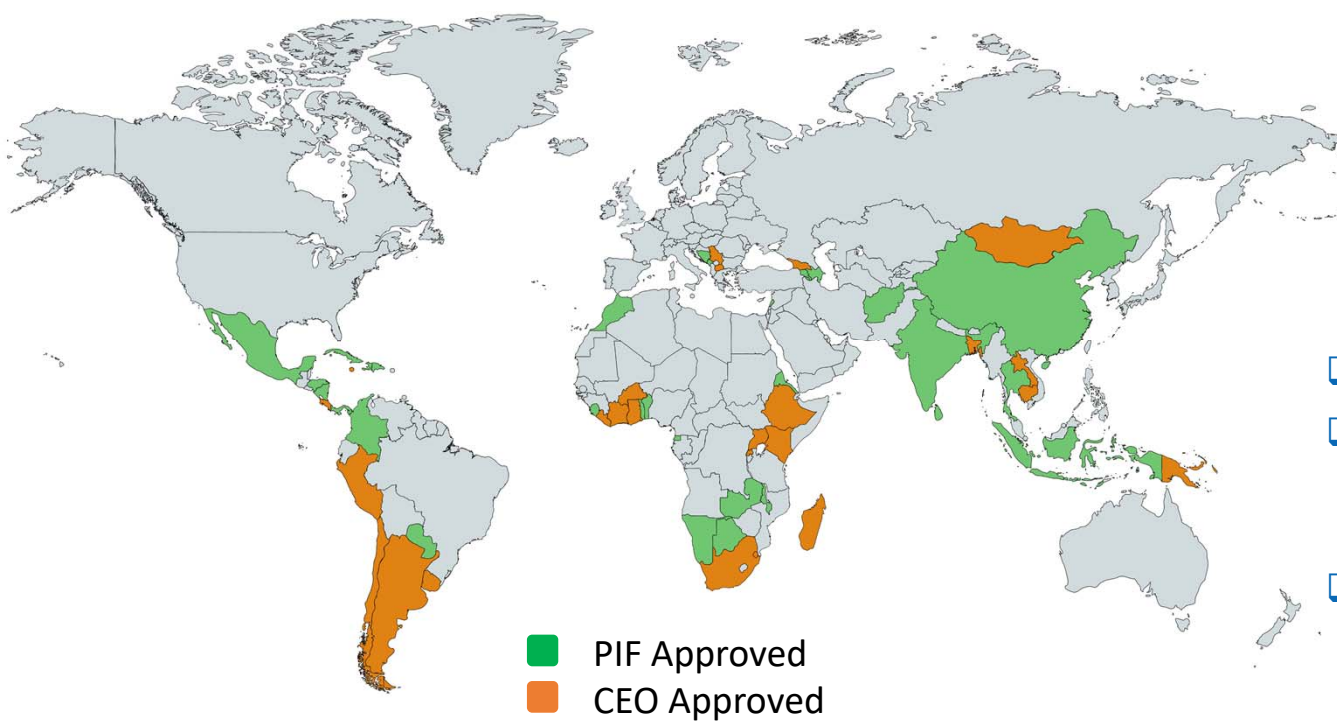
**Programming
Strategy**

PRIORITIES AT PORTFOLIO LEVEL

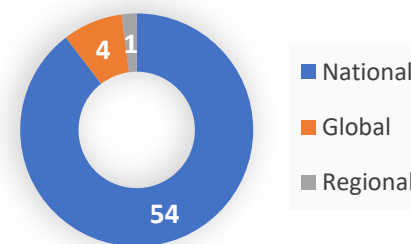


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CBIT Programming Status as of November 2019



59 projects with \$91M



- 59 countries supported to date
- 18 Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and 9 Small Island Developing States (SIDS) (of which one is LDC too)
- 4 global projects aim to improve knowledge sharing, coordination and facilitate additional capacity-building
- 29 projects have begun implementation

Institutional arrangements for the Enhanced Transparency Framework

- Designated transparency institution has an organizational unit with standing staff
 - Single body responsible for overall coordination and management
- Unit has capacity to coordinate and implement transparency activities
 - Data collection, processing, management and analysis
 - GHG inventory preparation, quality assurance and control
 - Track progress in implementing and achieving NDC under Article 4
 - Provide information on climate change impacts and adaptation under Article 7
 - Report on financial, technology development and transfer, and capacity-building support needed and received
 - Documenting and archiving processes and information
 - Evaluation and prioritization of future improvements
- Institution has clear mandate or authority to coordinate activities under Article 13 of the Paris Agreement
 - Formalized arrangements for the exchange of information, data collection and provision, and key responsibilities
 - I.e.: MOUs, legal instruments, data sharing agreements, etc.
- Activities are integrated into national planning and budgeting activities
 - Permanent national teams to carry out continuous work and meet two-year timeframe
 - Ensures sustainability of built-capacity and ownership of process

Lessons Learned:

Building enhanced institutional arrangements

- 80% of CBIT projects aim to enhance institutional arrangements
- Most CBIT projects assess their institutional arrangements as:
 - Having an existing designated transparency institution, but with **limited staff and capacity** to support and coordinate implementation of transparency activities
 - Institutions **lacking authority or mandate** to coordinate transparency activities
- Process to building enhanced institutional arrangements:
 - Key stakeholders or relevant agencies must be clearly mapped out and their roles and responsibilities identified
 - Roadmap developed in alignment with existing national circumstances for the desired national institutional arrangement
 - Assess and implement most appropriate formalization arrangement
 - Enhance capacity to carry out transparency activities



Thank you

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