



Concept note for CGE side event at SB58

Promoting data collection for Paris Agreement, a CGE dialogue for Parties and non-Party stakeholders

13:15 – 14:30, 7 June 2023

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Context

As Parties transition from the existing measurement, reporting and verification (MRV) arrangements under the Convention to the enhanced transparency framework (ETF) under the Paris Agreement, support for developing countries is critical to facilitate successful implementation.

As part of the Consultative Group of Experts (CGE) support to developing countries, CGE organizes side events at SB sessions and brings together key stakeholders to seek feedback on its work and brainstorm on key factors to enable a successful implementation of MRV and the ETF.

Collecting and managing data and information for transparency reporting

On the one hand, developing country Parties have expressed in their national transparency reports that they lack of quality data, including disaggregated activity data, historical data, high-quality data and complete time series, which has impeded the production of national GHG inventories. This lack of quality data also affects transparency reporting on mitigation actions, climate change impacts and adaptation, and support needed and received. National experts shared their difficulties in collecting data from data providers at various CGE events and interviews. Among which, some data providers are non-party stakeholders.

Furthermore, some non-Party stakeholders have also expressed it is challenging to find entry points to contribute to global climate action and work with their national governments.

These difficulties could be caused by low awareness level, lack of capacity and confidentiality concerns.

Objective and expected outcome

Therefore, the objectives of the CGE side event at SB 58 are:

- Showcasing CGE's support to developing countries, with a focus on its existing and upcoming materials and activities;
- Providing a platform for CGE members, national governments and non-Party stakeholder data providers to discuss promoting data collection and management for ETF and tracking progress of the Paris Agreement.
- Collecting feedback on CGE's support to developing countries and their preference for topics of 2023 CGE capacity-building activities.

Audience

This CGE side event will be open to all, but it is specifically targeted towards audiences that can be considered as an "impact" group from the perspective of the implementation of the existing MRV arrangements and the ETF, with a focus on data collection and management:



- Country experts and policy makers who are key drivers of MRV/ETF efforts nationally;
- Non-stakeholder actors/private sectors who are also data providers for transparency reporting;
- Other MRV/ETF experts.

This side event will be convened in person and broadcast live [here](#).

Agenda (80 minutes)

Time	Item
Moderator – Jenny Mager – CGE Rapporteur	
13:15 -13:25 10 min	Welcoming remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Donald Cooper, Director of the Transparency Division, UNFCCC secretariat• Xiang Gao, CGE Chair (remote speaker)
13:25 -13:35 10 min	Presentation on existing and upcoming CGE support to developing countries <p>This presentation will give an overall picture of CGE's support to developing countries and showcase CGE's recent and upcoming materials and activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presenter: Victoria Novikova, CGE member
13:35 -13:45 10 min	Case presentation from South Africa <p>South Africa will share their experience in collecting data from non-Party stakeholders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presenter: Sandra Boitumelo Motshwanedi, CGE member (South Africa)
13:45 -14:20 35 min	Panel discussion <p>This session will try to answer the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What difficulties do the national governments and non-Party stakeholders face when it comes to collecting and providing data for national greenhouse gas inventories and tracking climate actions?• How to address these difficulties? <p>Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sandra Boitumelo Motshwanedi, CGE member (South Africa)• Miriam Garcia, CDP Latin America• Lewis Hill, World Business Council for Sustainable Development
14:20 – 14:25 5 min	Q & A session
14:25 – 14:30 5 min	Mentimeter exercise
14:30 – 14:35 5 min	Closing remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gonzalo Guaiquil, SBI Vice-Chair