

Side-event:

Building on the existing MRV arrangements under the Convention to support the implementation of the Enhanced Transparency Framework

24/06/2019; 13:15-14:45 in room: Berlin

Theme: The theme for this side event is on technical assistance and support (financial, technical, and capacity-building) provided to developing countries for participation in the existing MRV arrangements under the Convention and the enhanced transparency framework under the Paris Agreement.

Speakers: Initiative for Climate Action Transparency (Henning Wüster), GEF (Milena Gonzalez Vasquez), Greenhouse Gas inventory & Research Center of Korea (UNFCCC-GIR CASTT) (Minyoung Kim), UNEP/UNDP GSP (Stanford Mwakasonda), UNEP-DTU Partnership (John Christensen)

Moderator: UNFCCC secretariat

The format of the event will be a moderated panel discussion, aided with a short 5-minute presentation from each panelist including a Q&A session with the audience.

Agenda:

1. Welcome (5 min)

A welcome and introduction – UNFCCC secretariat.

Scene-setting introduction: With the adoption of the Katowice Climate Package, countries are readying themselves for implementation of the Paris Agreement. The countries recognize the essential role the enhanced transparency framework will play in providing a more complete picture of climate change actions and support and tracking the progress of them to drive climate ambition.

Building on the existing MRV arrangements under the Convention, and moving towards implementation of the enhanced transparency framework, more and more developing countries are now confronted with increased need for support, including financial, technical and capacity-building, to facilitate their effective participation.

2. Moderated discussion including Q&A from audience (panelists to respond to the questions below, aided with a short 5 min 2-3 slides maximum presentation) (60-70 min):

- a) As a result of the adoption of the Katowice Climate Change, especially related to the modalities, procedures and guidelines for the enhanced transparency framework for action and support, what support initiatives have you planned/have in place/are planning to put in place to support developing countries? What is/are the focus or targets of these support initiatives?

- b) How can countries use the enhanced transparency framework as part of their efforts to implement and further develop their NDCs? Can you share any interesting country case studies?
 - c) From your experience in supporting the existing MRV arrangements, what are some of the key lessons learned and best practices in ensuring that the support provided contributes to the sustainability of the national MRV arrangements that you think are useful to countries that are Parties to the Paris Agreement as they move towards implementing the enhanced transparency framework?
3. Closing (5-10 min)
- The secretariat will provide an overall summary of the discussions.
