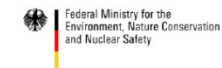




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## COUNTRY AND REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

### NAMA Development in Zambia

The Zambian Low Emission Capacity Building (LECB) project, working through the Ministry of Lands, Natural Resources and Environmental Protection, organised a Capacity Building Workshop on NAMA Development at Chaminuka Lodge, Lusaka, from 6-9 August 2013. The workshop advanced Zambia’s climate change policy in two important ways. First, it supported the implementation of the National Policy on Climate Change (NPCC) by exploring opportunities to catalyse climate finance for low emission development. Second, the workshop served as a forum to identify how the LECB project could build upon the results of Zambia’s Technology Needs Assessment (TNA) results to identify and prioritise NAMAs in the key sectors of energy, agriculture, waste and industry.

During the three day workshop, participants, who were drawn from government line ministries, research institutions, civil society organizations and the private sector, worked together to rank the technologies identified in the TNA process using IISD’s “quick screen” methodology and upscaling (where appropriate) to a NAMA context (the technologies had already been prioritized in the TNA using multi-criteria analysis – the IISD quick screen then applied NAMA considerations such as co-benefits to rank the top technologies for NAMA suitability). Participants then worked in sectoral working groups to elaborate basic information using the UNFCCC Registry templates for four high priority NAMAs, including the general MRV requirements, namely: conservation farming (agriculture); small-scale hydro (energy); integrated solid waste management (waste); and sustainable charcoal production and use (industrial processes). The NAMAs

**LOW EMISSION CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME**

**PROGRAMME SUMMARY**

The United Nations Development Programme’s (UNDP) Low Emission Capacity Building (LECB) Programme is supporting 25 countries around the globe to enhance the capacity of the public and private sectors to scale up mitigation actions.

The programme’s overall objectives are to strengthen institutional and technical capacities in order to:

- **Develop** national GHG inventory systems
- **Identify and develop** Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions (NAMAs)
- **Prepare** Low-Emission Development Strategies (LEDS)
- **Design** systems for the measuring, reporting and verification (MRV) of proposed mitigation actions
- **Facilitate** the design and adoption of mitigation action plans by select industries

**THE UNDP LECB PROGRAMME BY THE NUMBERS**

**60** NUMBER OF NAMAs WITH ASSOCIATED MRV SYSTEMS BEING DEVELOPED

**13** NUMBER OF LEDS NATIONAL/SECTORAL BEING DEVELOPED

**12** NUMBER OF COUNTRIES THAT ENGAGE THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN FORMULATION OF NAMAs PROPOSALS

**17** NUMBER OF GHG NATIONAL INVENTORY SYSTEMS BEING STRENGTHENED/ESTABLISHED

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will now be elaborated further into “fact sheets” that include emission reduction and cost estimates for further validation by the LECB NAMA working group, again building on the result of the TNA, which has proved to be a rich resource in this context.

As a result of the workshop, participants were better able to understand how climate change mitigation actions can help deliver national sustainable development goals such as those contained in Vision 2030 and the 6th National Development Plan, while also helping Zambia better adapt to climate change by selecting NAMAs with very high co-benefits.

## Integration of GHG Emission Data in the Philippines



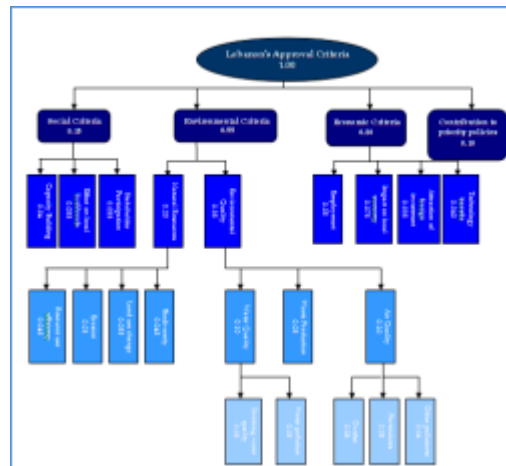
Participants from the Philippines Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) took part in a workshop on Integration of Greenhouse Gas Emission Data, August 13-15 in Quezon City. The workshop built further on previous trainings and focus group discussions held over the last twelve months, and aimed at improving GHG inventory data collection and archiving methods for the waste and industrial sectors. The workshop was attended by over 35 participants and contributes further to the LECB Projects intention of designing MRV systems to support implementation and evaluation of NAMAs and LEDS (Outcome 3 of the Project).

The LECB Project in the Philippines is continuously carrying out national capacity building activities. Their work can be followed through updates on the [Climate Change Commission](#) website or on the Philippines LECB Project [Facebook](#) page.

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## NAMA Design and Preparation in Lebanon

A follow-up national workshop entitled “Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Action Design and Preparation: Consultation on Selecting Priority NAMAs for Lebanon” was held on August 13, 2013 in Beirut, Lebanon, hosted by the Lebanese Ministry of Environment (MoE) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), within the framework of the Low-Emission Capacity Building Project (LECB) in Lebanon.



The workshop allowed experts and stakeholders from public and private institutions, to revisit the outcomes of the first national NAMA workshop which was held on May 22, 2013, as well as to start a discussion on the national MRV framework, and the nationally developed NAMA submission forms. This forum encouraged further discussion on the selection criteria, and the reason for the introduction of the “required criteria” (transformational aspect of the NAMA and the financing sources). Through discussions it was determined that some of the NAMA concepts identified during the first workshop could be eliminated, and opened the door for the introduction of a new set of criteria previously considered but not adopted. Furthermore, the workshop served as an opportunity to start discussions at the national level on the MRV framework and institutional requirements, and the introduction of the nationally developed NAMA submission form for two types of NAMAs.

The workshop was attended by 16 stakeholders and project participants and served as one part of a series of meetings held to elaborate the NAMA process in Lebanon.


## NOTEWORTHY MEETINGS AND EVENTS – LECB GLOBAL SUPPORT UNIT (GSU) ON THE ROAD

### Latin American and Caribbean Carbon Forum

The 7th Latin American and Caribbean Carbon Forum (LACCF) took place on 28–30 August 2013 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. This event is the leading low carbon and climate finance conference and trade fair in the region. It attracts a wide range of government officials, business experts, major international investors and local financial institutions to share experiences on low carbon project development, and to explore opportunities on innovative climate financing. The United Nations Development Program (UNDP)/LECB regional team actively participated in the event as a sponsor and organizing agency along with the World Bank, the Latin American Energy Organization (OLADE), the International Emissions Trading

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Association (IETA), the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) and its UNEP Risø Centre, the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB) and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) secretariat.

Lessons learned from the Low Emission Capacity Building Programme were presented in key plenaries and forum sessions including:

- *“Planning and Financing a Low Carbon Future in Latin America”* (Andrea Guerrero Garcia, CLCDS/LECB Coordinator – Colombia)
- *“Integrating Climate Change into National Development Planning: A look into sectoral mitigation plans”* (Damiano Borgogno, LECB Coordinator – Costa Rica)
- *“Can NAMAs drive a shift towards Sustainable Transportation?”* (Leiner Vargas Alfaro, Researcher/LECB Academy Stakeholder, National University of Costa Rica)
- *“Harnessing Public and Private Finance for the Development and Implementation of Mitigation Actions (NAMAs)”* (José Ramon Ardavín, México Business Council for Sustainable Development / LECB Private Sector Stakeholder)

The LACCF promoted a discussion and exchange of experiences among key stakeholders and provided participants with the latest developments regarding emission trading schemes, low emission development and the future of the carbon markets. The Forum also facilitated debates around the international and national climate change mitigation policies to promote greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions. The participation of a number of LECB GSU team members and coordinators from the region provided an important opportunity to disseminate the work under the LECB Programme and to identify potential collaboration opportunities among key players within the region in the area of NAMAs and low emission development strategies.

## UNFCCC Asia and Pacific Regional Workshop and the LECB GSU



The LECB Global Support team participated at the UNFCCC **Asia and the Pacific regional workshop** on promoting international collaboration to facilitate preparation, submission and implementation of NAMAs organized from Aug 12-15 in Singapore. The event was participated by almost 100 representatives from the government, donors, development partners and the private sector.

The LECB Global Support Team was actively engaged at the workshop offering substantial contributions as session moderators, panel members, resource speakers in addition to delivering presentations on the

forthcoming UNDP/UNFCCC/UNEP RISOE NAMA Guidance document, the Institutional Building Process and the Climate Public Expenditure and Institutional Reviews (CPEIRs) as an approach toward MRV of climate finance.

Some of the key areas of discussions included context building on NAMA development and implementation; measuring reporting and verification not only of GHG emissions but also financial flows and other related support; registry and international support provided for NAMAs; climate finance and perspectives from both the recipient countries as well as the donors. The meeting was highly interactive with ample opportunity for group exercises – one of which was moderated by LECB GSU where participants discussed the institutional arrangements for NAMAs.

### Asia Regional Exchange on NAMAs in the Transport Sector



The LECB Global Support Unit participated at the 'Asia Regional Exchange on NAMAs in the Transport Sector' workshop organized by GIZ and held at the Land Transport Academy in Singapore on 16 August 2013. The event took place back to back with the UNFCCC Asia Regional Workshop on NAMAs and participated by thirty participants. The event focused on the challenges related to curbing GHG emissions from the transport sector and how NAMAs can be used as a feasible solution to support a transition to a sustainable low carbon future. The meeting brought together government representatives, climate change practitioners and transport experts and facilitated an exchange of information and mutual learning among them. Country presentations from Singapore, Indonesia and Thailand provided interesting insights on how domestic actions are shaping scaled-up transport policies to bring about a transformational change in achieving sustainable development and climate benefits. Discussions also touched on key design elements of transport NAMAs, MRV and financing. The summary and presentations are available on: <http://transportandclimatechange.org/news-events/giz-hosts-asia-regional-exchange-on-namas-in-the-transport-sector/>

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