

# MONTHLY ROUND UP - JANUARY 2013

## COUNTRY HIGHLIGHTS

### LECB Programme Highlights from Doha



The **Lebanese** Ministry of Environment and the UNDP Country Office held a side event in Doha on 1 December that showcased the pathway that Lebanon is taking to achieve a voluntary target of 12% national renewable energy by 2020. Various initiatives – including the LECB project – were presented ranging from assessing the potential of various renewable energy sources to analyzing and overcoming different barriers that will lead to a paradigm shift towards a lower emission economy.

A **Mexico** government representative, Luis Muñozcano (pictured left), participated as a panelist at a One UN side event on 5 December, which was co-hosted by the LECB Programme Manager, Yamil Bonduki. Mr. Muñozcano presented how the LECB project in Mexico will support private-sector-driven technology transfer and capacity building.

### The LECB – Philippines: Implementation in Action



The **Philippines** held capacity building workshops on the GHG inventory system for the waste & industrial processes, and agriculture sectors in October and November 2012 respectively, training more than 100 participants (52 men, 51 women). A large number of the participants travelled from Ministerial departments in the regions for the training. The overarching workshop methodology was to present the links between climate change mitigation analyses and GHG inventories, to present the IPCC calculations for estimating GHG emissions in the sectors, and to discuss institutional arrangements to address data gaps. Pre-assessment and post-assessment tests containing topics discussed during the training were given to participants to evaluate their level of awareness and understanding. If you are interested in seeing presentations/agendas, please contact the GSU to be put in contact with the national team.

We are happy to announce that in December, the project proposals from **Bhutan** and **Lebanon** were approved. Congratulations to the project teams!

#### REMINDER:

An e-discussion continues on the project's Teamworks page on **Prioritising NAMAs** (<https://undp.unteamworks.org/node/299014>) following our webinar of 17 January.

The Global Support Unit invites all LECB countries to share their prioritization approaches, including any criteria that have been used, as part of this e-discussion. If you have not yet joined the space, then please contact us at [lowemission@undp.org](mailto:lowemission@undp.org) for assistance.

## RESOURCES

### Resources for Francophone Countries



The **ADEME** (French Environment and Energy Management Agency), the **IEPE** (Institute for energy and environment of French-speaking communities) and the **MAE** (French ministry of foreign affairs) have made a [website](#) available to encourage the establishment of low-carbon development models in developing countries. Available in [French](#) and [English](#), The site includes a guidance note on NAMAs and information sheets for the water, energy, and forestry sectors.

### FUTURE WEBINARS AND TRAININGS

Do you have ideas of webinars you would like the LECB GSU to host? Trainings that would be useful in your region? If so, please send your ideas to [lowemission@undp.org](mailto:lowemission@undp.org)

## NOTEWORTHY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LEDS Expert Assistance at No Cost



The LEDS Global Partnership has announced a no-cost finance advisory service whereby they offer LEDS Expert Assistance on Finance to countries developing and implementing LEDS. Extremely useful for LECB Countries, the LEDS Global Partnership is offering virtual consultation and advice on financing strategies, policies, or programs in support of low emission development strategies.

To see guidelines and submit your request online visit [http://en.openei.org/wiki/LEDS\\_Finance\\_Technical\\_Assistance](http://en.openei.org/wiki/LEDS_Finance_Technical_Assistance)

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