

MONTHLY ROUND UP – JULY 2013

COUNTRY HIGHLIGHTS

DRC Moves on Identifying a Long List of NAMA Project Ideas



On 22 and 23 July 2013, eighty NAMA stakeholders, focusing on energy and agriculture, met in a training workshop in the **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)** and learned about two stepwise tools to guide them as a road map: GIZ and IISD tools.

Facilitators used these tools to draw a long list of project ideas: 45 for energy and 30 for agriculture. The workshop was opened up by the Secretary General of the Ministry of the Environment, Mr. Vincent Kasulu, who showed that the NAMA process is an opportunity for DRC to engage in a cross-sectoral dialogue and discussion to mobilize different sectors to act together in developing appropriate measures to mitigate climate change. He saluted the presence of his colleagues, Secretary General of Rural Development and that of Energy, who also spoke about exchanging experiences and acting together to make DRC a model in developing strategies for low carbon development and projects to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The workshop was co-facilitated by UNDP experts Benoit Lebot, on behalf of the Low Emission Capacity Building's Global Support Unit, and Idesbald Chinamula (UNDP-DRC) along with the NAMA project manager Dr. Trinto Mugangu.

LECB ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Annual LECB Global Meeting – ATTRACTING CLIMATE FINANCE FOR LOW EMISSION DEVELOPMENT will take place 25-27 September 2013 in Hanoi Vietnam.



Introductory Workshop on NAMAs with LECB Peer-to-Peer Exchange



The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment Malaysia and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) jointly organised the Introductory Workshop on Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions (NAMAs) on 29-30 July 2013 in Sepang, **Malaysia**. The workshop aimed to introduce NAMAs to the stakeholders and to solicit their input on the implementation in the country. Approximately 60 participants from diverse government ministries and agencies attended, including representatives from research institutes and academic institutions, the private sector and NGOs. Regional LECB colleagues from **Indonesia**, the **Philippines** and **Thailand** attending the event, along with the LECB Programme Manager, Yamil Bonduki.

The workshop provided insight on NAMAs from the international, regional and national perspectives. A number of international activities on NAMAs, particularly in the UNFCCC context, including the NAMA registry, and support from the LECB Global Programme were presented to the participants. Following that, the participants heard the experiences of several countries in the region in their pursuance of NAMAs. LECB regional colleagues shared their respective national context and institutional arrangements, procedures to manage and monitor implementation, tools for mobilisation of sectoral, regional and local level initiatives, and some cases of NAMAs.

During the national session on the second day, several relevant mitigation initiatives were presented to the participants. These included the Study of the Roadmap on Reduction of Carbon Intensity in Malaysia, CDM and REDD+. The outcome of a preliminary review of potential NAMAs was also presented. Subsequently in the discussion session stakeholders were requested to look into a number of issues including the role of NAMAs in the existing framework arrangement for mitigation, among others. The participants went through an interactive session and considered the definition of NAMA, as well as the institutional arrangements and coordination that may be necessary to steer and manage NAMAs in the country.



The LECB Global Support Unit produced a one-page [factsheet](#) about the LECB Programme. Click on the image above to download the file.

Introductory GHG Inventory Training – Nairobi, Kenya



A training workshop focused on the introduction to GHG inventory system was recently held in Nairobi, **Kenya**. A total of 32 stakeholders, drawn from the key ministries, departments and agencies participated in the introduction to GHG inventory system training workshop. The workshop was conducted using presentations, group work, and plenary discussions. Issues covered in the workshop included:

1. *National Green House Gas Inventory System* - The GHG inventory system was presented to include all institutional, legal and procedural arrangements made within a Party included in UNFCCC, for estimating anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks of all greenhouse gases. The eight step process of developing the GHG inventory was presented.
2. *UNFCCC GHG Sectors and required guidelines* - The group was informed that Non-Annex I Parties, such as Kenya, must periodically prepare and submit a National Communication (NC) as part of their commitment to the UNFCCC.
3. *Energy, Potential Emissions and Vision 2030* - The participants were taken through the data sheets used for the energy and industrial sector. It was explained that the data sheets provided guidance on total national emissions and sinks. The sheets will be used to calculate carbon dioxide equivalent emissions in the country.
4. *AFOLU SECTOR (2006 IPCC Guidelines)* - While the other sections were led by a team from the NCCS, this session was led by Regional Centre for Mapping Resources for Development (RCMRD). The centre is supporting Botswana, Malawi, Namibia, Rwanda, Tanzania and Zambia to improve GHG Inventories in the Agriculture and Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry (LULUCF) sectors.
5. *Introduction to Key Category Analysis* - A key category was explained as one that is prioritized within the national inventory system because its estimate has a significant influence on a country's total inventory of GHG. After the full introduction to key category analysis the group was asked to complete a practical session.

This training served as the ideal starting point for the Kenya LECB Project to develop their robust national system for the preparation of GHG emission inventories. Kenya will be holding another training event in August.

NOTEWORTHY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

LECB Support and South-South Exchange in Paraguay

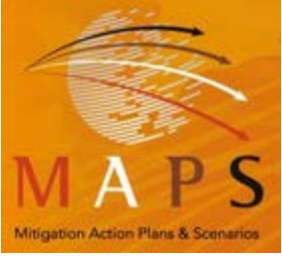


UNDP has been supporting Paraguay with finance and planning for climate change mitigation since 2009. The results of this work include the completion of investment and financial assessments, the formulation of a national climate change policy and the preparation of a mitigation sectoral strategy.

Over the last year, UNDP has focused their support on low emission development for the transportation and agriculture sectors, including development of a prioritization processes for sectoral NAMAs. In order to punctuate this process, a NAMA prioritization meeting was held 10-11 July to provide training for national decision makers on the NAMA formulation and prioritization process. During this meeting participants had the opportunity to complete practical exercises on prioritization and NAMA design. As a result, stakeholders have selected one NAMA for each sector based on qualitative criteria. In addition to carrying out the prioritization exercise participants took the opportunity to complete a sample request for international financial support, thereby building capacity and encouraging collaboration.

Because of the LECB Programme's experience in the region the LECB regional team was well poised to provide technical support to the national team on the prioritization criteria and NAMA definition. In addition to the LECB participation, representatives from international organizations, multilateral banks and national financial institutions were also able to participate, thereby encouraging financial support for the prioritized projects. Best practices from LECB LAC projects on NAMA formulation were applied - demonstrating south-south cooperation not only among LECB participating countries, but also with other countries of the region. As a practical result of this meeting, the national team is analyzing the possibility of continuing to work on the prioritized areas in order to foster low emission development in Paraguay.

This meeting serves as a true success story in demonstrating LECB skills being used beyond the predetermined geographic boundaries of the LECB Programme.




Some of you may have noticed that we recently added the **Mitigation Action Plans & Scenarios (MAPS)** website link to the LECB Programme Knowledge Center “Links” page. MAPS is a collaboration amongst developing countries to establish the evidence base for long-term transition to robust economies that are both carbon efficient and climate resilient. In this way MAPS contributes to ambitious climate change mitigation that aligns economic development with poverty alleviation.

The MAPS Programme has collaborated actively with the LECB Programme in Latin America and is looking to pilot similar initiatives in Africa. We encourage you to visit their [website](#) and explore their resources, including the Technical Support Paper: [Marginal Abatement Cost Curves - Mitigation Decision Support Tools](#): This technical guide draws on decision makers attention to important considerations when using MAC curves and may prove useful for some in the LECB Programme.

If you know of other helpful resources that could be shared with the larger LECB community, please let us know at lowemission@undp.org

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OECD Green Growth Studies
Putting Green Growth at the Heart of Development

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Rapidly accelerating growth in developing countries raises the stakes for investments in development but also the opportunities to choose how to develop. Green models for development offer an alternative that relies on and values natural assets which are essential to the well-being and livelihoods of people in developing countries. *Putting Green Growth at the Heart of Development* explains why green growth is vital to secure a more sustainable future for developing countries. Covering 74 policies and measures from 37 countries and 5 regional initiatives, this publication outlines an action-oriented twin-track agenda to guide national and international policies and practices to successfully tackle green growth.

- *Putting Green Growth at the Heart of Development* – [Main Report](#) (PDF)
- *Putting Green Growth at the Heart of Development* – Summary for Policymakers ([EN](#) / [FR](#))

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