







Monthly Round Up - May 2014

PROGRAMME AND PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

Global Good Practice Analysis on LEDS, NAMAs and MRV newly released!



We are pleased to present the results of the Global Good Practice Analysis on LEDS, NAMAs and MRV, which are now publicly available.

The Global Good Practice Analysis (GPA) is a joint initiative by the International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV and the UNDP Low Emission Capacity Building Programme. It documents **21 examples of mitigation-related good practice worldwide** that demonstrate how LEDS, NAMAs and MRV systems are being effectively designed and implemented across a range of national contexts. The GPA offers a diversity of examples in terms of geography, theme, capacity and scope, and as such can serve as an excellent peer-to-peer learning tool for LECB countries and beyond.

In addition to providing a tangible general resource for LECB country teams, we are happy to announce that two cases, **Bhutan** and **Lebanon**, focus on activities specifically carried out under their respective LECB projects. The GPA also features examples of 9 LECB-related case studies (**Chile, Costa Rica, Indonesia, Kenya, Lebanon, Mexico, Peru, Philippines, Thailand** and **Viet Nam**).

The analysis was carried out by a consortium of Ecofys and partners (ECN, INCAE and TERI) and aims to foster peer-learning across countries, demonstrating ambitious and feasible mitigation

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14-16 October 2014

LECB Global Annual Meeting

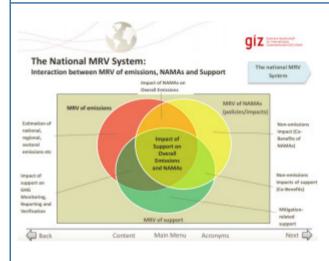
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policies and actions that are already in place, as well as to present lessons learned along the corresponding processes.

The Partnership and the LECB Programme offer a variety of capacity building formats and invite interested country representatives to contact us to identify options for more in-depth learning on the good practice cases.

For detailed information on the individual cases and their success factors, as well on the criteria applied and a summary of main conclusions please visit: www.mitigationpartnership.net/gpa.

Measuring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) Spotlight – Webinar Series!



To meet the needs of participating LECB countries the Global Support Unit organized a series of webinars with colleagues at the World Resources Institute (WRI) and the International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV during the month of May.

The first of the series provided a introduction to MRV of Policies and LEDS before moving into key considerations of Domestic MRV. After the foundation was established an Introduction to MRV Tools was presented in English, Spanish and French. All presenters underscored the importance of considering MRV options before, during and after implementation of any mitigation action in order to ensure transparency and rigor.

A properly designed and implemented measurement, reporting, and verification (MRV) system adds transparency to national mitigation efforts and is an essential management tool for assessing progress and effectiveness of mitigation policies, programmes, and regulations. For this reason, over the months of June and July we will be continuing our focus on MRV by delving further into the topic of MRV at the sectoral level. For more information and to register, click on the links below:

- 24 June <u>MRV of Energy NAMAs</u> (9am New York/2pm Tunis/3pm Frankfurt/8pm Bangkok/8am Panama/9am Santiago)
- 25 June MRV of Agriculture NAMAs (10am New York/4pm Rome/9pm

Bangkok/9am Panama/8am San Jose)

- 1 July MRV of Waste NAMAs (9am New York/3pm Frankfurt/4pm Kampala/8pm Bangkok/8pm Hanoi/8am Panama)
- 2 July MRV of Transport NAMAs
 (9am New York/3pm Frankfurt/3pm
 Jo'burg/8pm Bangkok/8am
 Panama/8am Bogota)

The above mentioned LECB hosted webinars, as well as others, can be viewed at your leisure on the <u>LECB</u> Programme You Tube page.

LECB and the Ministry of Environment of Chile host a joint regional workshop on engaging the private sector in climate mitigation actions





The Low Emission Capacity Building (LECB) Programme of UNDP along with the Ministry of Environment of Chile hosted a joint regional meeting, *Engaging the Private Sector to Contribute to Climate Change Mitigation* in Santiago, Chile 14-16 May 2014. The meeting brought together policy makers, climate change experts, and representatives from private industries with the objective of providing a forum for public-private dialogue and exploration of potential synergies.

The three-day meeting included a skills-based training followed by two days of presentations, dialogue and discussion focused on such sectors as energy, energy efficiency, transport, waste, agriculture and forestry, industry and mining. The presentations and discussions included topics such as de-risking and incentivizing investment, measurement, reporting and verification (MRV), national-level experiences of engaging the private sector such in NAMA design and implementation, and applicable tools and funding mechanisms available to support and incentivize public-private partnerships.

LECB Programme national representatives from Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Ghana, Mexico, Peru and Trinidad and Tobago attended the meeting, along with individuals from the Chilean Ministry of Environment, the Ministry of Energy and Finance (CONAF), and CEPAL/ECLAC,

as well as colleagues from international organizations, financers and the private sector such as, Anglo American, Alstom, Arauco , Siemens, Viña Concha y Toro, the Climate Leadership Group, Findeter, CORFO, Banco BICE, BANCOLDEX and international development banks such as the World Bank, IADB.

Key take-aways included the need to support ongoing engagement and dialogue across the private/public divide, the imperative of mobilizing participation and investment from the private sector, a need to strengthen the technical information base on both sides, the importance of coordination among (key) stakeholders, the significance of clear and stable regulatory frameworks, and the potential impact of favorable incentive schemes. It also highlighted a number of mitigation initiatives that private sector is championing and the potential to scale them up through public-private cooperation.

This regional meeting served as the first in a series of meetings facilitated by the LECB Programme on the topic of private sector engagement in mitigation actions. The second in the series will take place in Africa toward the end of the 2014, with a subsequent meeting in Asia the first quarter of 2015.

The meeting agenda and presentations can be downloaded here. A brief summary report will be available shortly on the LECB Programme website.

Workshop on GHG Inventory Prep Energy and Industrial Processes and Data Provider Meeting, 7-9 May, Zambia



Colleagues from the Ministry of Lands, Natural Resources and Environmental Protection in Zambia hosted a capacity building workshop on GHG inventory preparation in the Energy and Industrial Processes sector back-to-back with a meeting for GHG data providers. The three-day meeting provided a theoretical learning and practical hands-on training for data collection, while simultaneously providing a platform for engagement among key players, raising awareness among data providers, and clarifying reporting responsibilities.

The two workshops brought together colleagues from the Zambia Environmental Management Agency (ZEMA), Department of Energy, Department of Commerce and

Industry, as well as representatives from government institutions, the private sector, and academia, thereby bridging some of the existing gaps and addressing needs from various angles.

The workshops spurred an initial dialogue that will be ongoing and resulted in a forthcoming road map on long-term engagement with data providers.

To access the workshop report and read more about the activities and outcomes, click <u>here</u>.

Meeting for the Database Keepers on the National Integrated Climate Change Database and Exchange System (NICCDIES) for CC Mitigation, Manila, Philippines



The Climate Change Commission, through its LECB PHL Project is developing the National Integrated Climate Change Database and Exchange System (NICCDIES) that will consolidate and interlink databases on climate change mitigation-related information particularly on GHG inventory, NAMAs/LEDS and MRV Systems. To support this initiative a meeting, held 21 May to introduce the NICCDIES and to discuss the formation of the Database Keepers Committee (DBKC), which will assist in the conduct of needs assessment and data consolidation capabilities of relevant mitigation sectors. The event enabled the participants to discuss issues such as data availability and sharing; capacity and technical needs; and enabling mechanisms for the development of the integrated database system.

The meeting was attended by technical, IT and database keepers from identified lead government agencies in the agriculture, waste, industry, transport, forestry and energy (AWIT-FE) sectors. Said agencies are identified to have key roles in the institutionalization of the national GHG inventory system, NAMA development and the corresponding setting up of a domestic MRV system for mitigation.

In addition to meeting for database keepers, the LECB PHL Project held a meeting 16 May to convene members of the mitigation technical working groups for agriculture, waste, industry and transport. The meeting was the third of its kind and was used to provide the members an overview of the progress of the NAMA development study undertaken by the Climate Change Commission, under the LECB Philippine

Project. The meeting also included sectoral workshops to solicit inputs from the TWG members for setting the NAMA prioritization criteria for each of the sectors using the IISD methodology. A consortium composed of experts from Berkman International, IISD and GHGMI has been commissioned to undertake the study.

Climate Desk Officer Training in Uganda prepares focal points on climate change across ministries



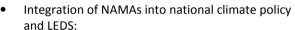
The LECB project co-hosted a training for climate change desk officers on 5-7 May in Jinja, which was attended by approximately 40 experts, and opened by a senior official of the Ministry of Environment and Water. The desk officers will act as the focal points on climate change within their respective Ministries, Departments, and Agencies, as part of the move towards mainstreaming climate change that is detailed in Uganda's new climate change policy. A number of key climate change initiatives were presented over the course of the training, including the LECB project, activities on CDM and adaptation, and CDKN's project on the economic assessment of climate change. The desk officers also spent time refining their roles and responsibilities and discussing the national climate change mainstreaming guidelines which are being finalised.

During the LECB component of the meeting, the desk officers were introduced to the global LECB Programme and the national project activities, and also apprised of the stakeholder-driven process undertaken in 2013 to elaborate eight NAMAs in the sectors of energy, transport, waste and agriculture. One of these NAMAs, on integrated waste water treatment, was presented in detail. Uganda's plans for initiating a Low-Emission Development Strategy, using seed funding from LECB, was also presented. Finally, a session was devoted to presenting the work on documenting the national GHG inventory system, including the proposed archiving system, the key category analysis, the proposed improvements to the institutional arrangements, and the manual of methods and data. This was a critical session for raising awareness and encouraging engagement, since many desk officers are newly appointed and have not been exposed to national GHG inventories, yet would potentially become key data providers moving forward, and the LECB project was described as instrumental in supporting the

elaboration of the GHG inventory under the Second National Communication. The experiences of Ghana, Zambia and Kenya in putting in place elements of the national inventory systems under LECB -- which had been presented at the LECB's regional workshop on national GHG inventory systems in February 2014 in Zambia (a workshop undertaken jointly with UNREDD) – were also highlighted as a demonstration of how other African countries are seeking to institutionalize the GHG inventory work. Uganda's REDD+ focal point also noted that the Zambia workshop had been useful for identifying ways in which the LECB and UN-REDD projects could work more closely together, such as ensuring that forestry data feeds into the national inventory system and any LEDS process.

Resource: Methodological Guide to Identify and Design NAMAs in Urban Areas (Spanish)

Euroclima has produced a four-part methodological guide to identify and design NAMAs in urban areas in Spanish. The study aims to strengthen the capacity of Latin American governments in the identification and design of urban NAMAs by offering insight into:



- Identifying mitigation measures for different sectors;
- Assessing how urban planning impacts climate change; and
- Linking MRV at the local, national and international level.

The series can be useful a tool to catalyse action by helping decision-makers and stakeholders in creating a roadmap to put together a NAMA in an easy, practical and flexible way. Including topics such as raising ambition and MRV, the series helps to address the need for a methodological and practical tool outside of a purely academic setting.

To download the guides, visit the Euroclima Publication Site here.

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