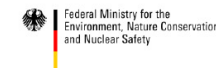




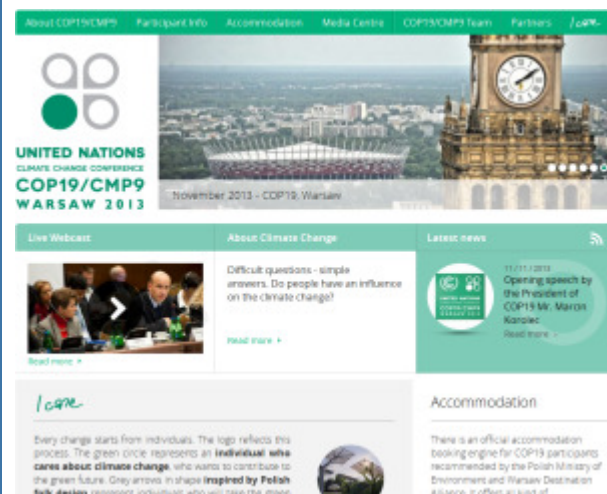
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COUNTRY AND REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

LECB Programme presence at the Nineteenth UNFCCC Conference of Parties



The LECB Programme Global Support Unit is pleased to announce that the LECB Programme and some of its national participants will be taking part in multiple side-events at this year's UNFCCC Conference of Parties (COP-19). Notably, the LECB Programme will be co-hosting two events.

The LECB Global Support Unit, in conjunction with the UNFCCC and UNEP Risø, will be introducing its jointly produced [Guidance for NAMA Design: building on country experiences](#) at a side event, Monday 18 November (13.15 – 14:45). The LECB is also proud to be jointly hosting a side event in the [EU side event](#) area (1st floor) focused on [Addressing Barriers to LEDS and NAMA Implementation](#), 19 November (18.00 – 20.00). We are pleased to have this event opened by representatives from the **European Commission** and the **German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety**. National experiences will be presented by LECB countries: **Uganda, Lebanon and Chile**.

For additional side events featuring the LECB Programme, please visit the LECB website [News](#) section or download

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the specially prepared list of LECB relevant side events [here](#).

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Welcoming James Vener to the LECB Global Support Team!



We are happy to announce the addition of a new colleague to the LECB Global Support Unit. Please help us to welcome James Vener to the LECB community.

Prior to joining the LECB team James spent 5 years with the UNEP-DTIE Energy Finance Unit in Paris, France working to scale up investment in clean energy technology in Sub-Saharan Africa and Southeast Asia, primarily through carbon finance, low-carbon market development, and financial mechanisms. Prior to this James worked as an environmental engineer in the US conducting remediation of contaminated facilities, construction management, and environmental due diligence for property transactions during which time his focus was in the field of groundwater hydrology.

James will complement the LECB GSU by serving as a Mitigation Economist – working directly with countries to support implementation of the national LECB projects and helping coordinate two forthcoming new elements of the LECB programme, notably the **NAMA Net** and **Enhanced Support** mechanisms. These elements will provide targeted assistance for country partners to support the preparation and launch of NAMA pilots as part of the national LECB projects. With a new member of the LECB global team, we are looking forward to continuing the close working relations with country teams and exploring new opportunities for further collaboration.

James can be reached at james.vener@undp.org

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COUNTRY AND REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Making Strides Toward a Robust National System for GHG Inventories – LECB Kenya



The LECB-Kenya Project held its 3rd training workshop under the GHG inventory systems component on 22nd to 26th October 2013, at Lake Naivasha, Kenya. The workshop focused on building national capacity around such topics as: QA/QC, emission calculations and data analysis, documentation of methods, Key Category Analysis and the importance of a robust archiving system. The workshop built further on two previous workshops that had focused on awareness raising and institutional arrangements. The workshop included practical exercises whereby participants were given the opportunity to carry out documentation & archiving tasks and considered methodologies using the IPCC Guidelines and the US EPA's Template for Method and Data Documentation. During these exercises, the sector teams were able to actively engage and provide critical recommendations for future improvements in inventory development.

This training workshop will be followed by a series of sectoral working retreat sessions where the three sectoral teams (agriculture & forestry, energy & transport, and waste & industry) will move further to complete calculations, design an archiving system arrangement, and develop an inventory improvement strategy.

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LECB Team contributes to a series of strategic webinars on Low Emissions Development in LAC



The World Bank Institute (WBI) and the LEDS LAC Regional Platform have organized a series of four webinars on strategies to achieve low emissions development. The series addresses issues already prioritized by the region: 1) planning and process, 2) financing, 3) assessing co-benefits, and 4) linking LEDS and adaptation.

The first webinar of the series, '[Building a Common Vision in LEDS Planning](#),' took place 16 October and discussed lessons learned and best practices related to national policies and the integration of mitigation into national planning processes (LEDS). The webinar featured a presentation by our LECB regional team colleague, Carlos Salgado, on main findings, challenges and actions regarding LEDS and planning in the LAC region. This presentation was followed by on-the-ground experiences from Peru and Chile. Key messages highlighted during the presentation were challenges for the implementation phase, importance of national finance, engagement of private sector, focus on efficient public management, importance of collecting lessons learned from the private, civil society, academic and financial sectors, and the need to take advantage of this process to catalyze investments in low emissions infrastructure.

Three additional webinars also took place in October. All presentations can be accessed [here](#). Future collaborative webinars will be featured on the [LECB events page](#).

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