

LECB MONTHLY ROUND UP – SEPTEMBER 2015

PROGRAMME AND PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

LECB Programme 5th Annual Global Meeting Held September 2015 in Santo Tomás, Costa Rica



Participants at LECB Global Annual Meeting in Costa Rica

The fifth Annual Global LECB Programme Meeting took place from 16-18 September 2015 in Santo Tomás, Costa Rica. Around 80 participants from LECB countries as well as representatives of donor organizations and international organizations came together to discuss key results achieved so far under the LECB Programme and the way forward.

Day 1 focused on LECB Programme Key Results and its Role in the Global Context. Presentations were provided by Kenya, Indonesia, Chile, and Ecuador. The afternoon sessions continued with a view on linking LECB Programme activities and formulation of the INDCs. After a general INDC Status overview, contributions came from Lebanon, and the Democratic Republic of Congo. The day closed with a panel discussion, with panelists from the UNFCCC Secretariat, Peru, Mexico, and Bhutan.

Day 2 was organized as a LECB Programme NAMA Day. The day began with two presentations by Costa Rica on its Livestock NAMA and Open Data Transport Plan. In two poster sessions, countries presented their experiences on NAM formulation, including Lebanon, Colombia, Vietnam, Morocco and Zambia, as well as Peru, Ecuador, Malaysia, Uganda and Kenya. The day concluded with a panel session on NAMA Funding, with representatives from Findeter, Latin American Development Bank, Swedish Energy Agency, the German Ministry for the Environment, and the Asociación Empresarial para el Desarrollo.

Day 3 discussed the UNFCCC NAMA Registry, followed by a 'Post-Paris Brainstorm', with participants' feedback on success factors, challenges and necessary support. One aspect highlighted was to bring INDC

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LECB NAMA Posters and Information Briefs:
<http://www.lowemissiondevelopment.org/lecb/events/global-events/eventdetail/83/-/lecb-annual-meeting-costa-rica-16-19-september>



submissions to fruition and to continue LECB support to this process. For more information, presentations, NAMA posters and NAMA information briefs see:

<http://www.lowemissiondevelopment.org/lecbp/events/eventdetail/83/-/lecb-5th-annual-global-meeting-costa-rica-17-september>

Mexico Started Ambitious Training Activities on National GHG Inventory System

To effectively manage and monitor national GHG emissions, a number of countries are developing or improving their National GHG Inventory Systems. Under the LECB project, Mexico embarked on an ambitious training series last month on using a new national online reporting system for GHGs. Trainings are being rolled out throughout September and October and are expected to train around 1600 people by end October.

By the end of September, 11 training workshops had been conducted on how to operate the online reporting platform [COA-WEB](#) (COA - Cédula de Operación Anual, or Annual Certificate of Operation).

Since the platform will be used by a broad range of stakeholders with different types of information and needs, the workshops were tailored towards different audiences. Out of the 11 workshops, eight were dedicated to representatives of industry chambers, while three workshops focused on members of service chambers, such as transportation, commerce, or banks.

This training series is part of a larger capacity building effort; about twice as many workshops are still to come.



Participants at workshop in Mexico

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UNDP Support to INDC Preparation



Participants at UNDP INDC training workshop for Anglophone Africa in Uganda

In the Run-up to the 21st UNFCCC Conference of Parties (COP21) in Paris 30 November – 11 December 2015, more than 110 countries have already submitted their Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs), while others are still in the process to do so.

UNDP is providing financial and technical assistance to developing countries for the preparation of INDCs, with funding provided by the European Commission, the German Government and the Global Environment Facility. A few recent highlights from UNDP's cooperation with countries on INDC development include:

- **Bhutan's** INDC reiterates its intention to remain carbon neutral through forest conservation, low-carbon transport, renewable energy, and other sectoral efforts.
- In its INDC **Indonesia** committed to unconditionally reduce emissions by 29% below BAU levels by 2030. Conditional upon international support, Indonesia plans to achieve reductions of up to 41% from BAU.
- **Lebanon** has submitted an INDC that outlines an unconditional target to reduce emissions by 15% from BAU by 2030, unconditional energy-sector goals, and additional mitigation efforts that can be taken with international support.
- **Argentina's** INDC includes an unconditional GHG target of –15% from BAU by 2030 and a list of forestry, energy, and transport sector actions to achieve this target. Emissions could be reduced by up to 30% conditional upon international support.

As part of the INDC support, UNDP and UNFCCC have also recently organized INDC training workshops for Francophone Africa (Rabat, Morocco) and Anglophone and Lusophone Africa (Entebbe, Uganda), both in collaboration with the International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV, and for Pacific Islands in collaboration with the Australian Government and SPREP (Apia, Samoa). These trainings were carried out under UNDP-UNFCCC Regional Technical Dialogues funded by 10 donors.

For a visual update on INDC progress, see also the World Resource Institute's (WRI) INDC submission tracker: <http://cait.wri.org/indc>

International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV Summer School 2015 – Transparency and Implementation



Participants at the Summer School
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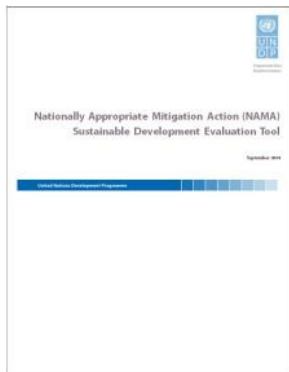
From 9 to 15 September 2015, 21 representatives from 14 countries met for the fourth Summer School of the International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV in Cuernavaca, Mexico. Under the headline **“Transparency and Implementation – Future Proof Rules for Climate Policy”** the participants discussed potential elements of the future rules base of a new climate agreement and how these rules can drive up ambition and promote fairness.

The seven intense days of the Summer School were filled with presentations of different speakers, discussions and group work. Expert from the UNFCCC Secretariat, the World Resources Institute (WRI), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Energeia and the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH provided additional expertise and participated in the discussions. The Summer School was hosted by the Secretariat of Environment and Natural Resources of Mexico (SEMARNAT).

For more information, presentations and photos see:

<http://mitigationpartnership.net/summer-school-2015-%E2%80%93-transparency-and-implementation>.

UNDP Launched NAMA Sustainable Development Evaluation Tool



UNDP has released a new tool that is designed for Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Action (NAMA) developers and policy makers. The tool allows users to evaluate the sustainable development performance indicators and sustainable development impacts achieved over the lifetime of the NAMA. The tool is linked to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and shall allow policy makers to track the effects of the NAMA on environmental conservation, economic growth, poverty reduction and public welfare.

Download tool here:

<http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/librarypage/environment-energy/mdg-carbon/NAMA-sustainable-development-evaluation-tool.html>

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