Development of the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency

CBIT Consultative Dialogue
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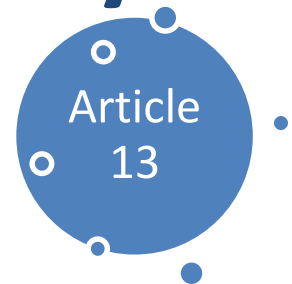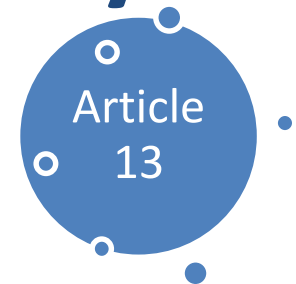
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Background

Paris Agreement, Transparency, and CBIT

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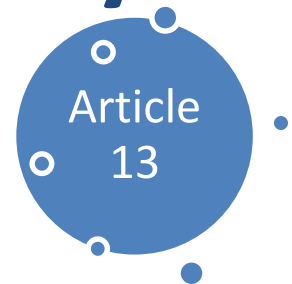
Article 13

Paris Agreement Article 13

"In order to build mutual trust and confidence and to promote effective implementation, an <u>enhanced transparency framework</u> for action and support, with built-in flexibility which takes into account Parties' different capacities and builds upon collective experience is hereby <u>established</u>."

Background: Transparency

Article 13

"The <u>purpose of the framework</u> for transparency of action is to provide a clear understanding of climate change action in the light of the objective towards <u>achieving Parties' individual nationally determined contributions</u> under Article 4, and <u>Parties' adaptation actions</u> under Article 7, including good practices, priorities, needs and gaps, <u>to inform the global stocktake</u> under Article 14."

Background: Transparency

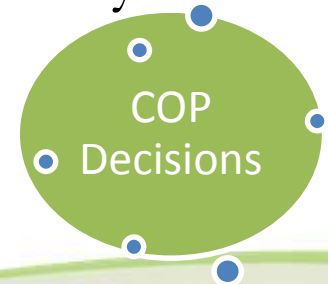Rationale for the establishment of the CBIT

Article 13

"Each Party shall regularly provide the following information:

- A <u>national inventory report of anthropogenic emissions</u> by sources and removals by sinks of GHG, prepared using <u>good practice methodologies</u> accepted by the IPCC and agreed upon by the COP serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement.
- Information necessary to <u>track progress made in implementing and achieving its nationally determined contribution</u> under Article 4."

Aims of the CBIT

Paris Decision Paragraph 85:

a)   To strengthen national institutions for transparency-related activities in line with national priorities;

b)   To provide relevant tools, training and assistance for meeting the provisions stipulated in Article 13 of the Agreement;

c)   To assist in the improvement of transparency over time.

COP Decisions

GEF's Role in the CBIT

Paris Decision Paragraph 84: "Decides to establish a CBIT…"

"<u>Urges and requests the GEF to make arrangements to support the establishment and operation of the CBIT</u> as a priority reporting-related need, including through voluntary contributions to support developing country Parties in the sixth replenishment of the GEF and future replenishment cycles, to complement existing support under the GEF."

COP Decisions

Next steps in the establishment of the CBIT

✓ **Develop CBIT Support Concept**

- Consultations with countries
- Consultations with other existing/emerging initiatives and UNFCCC

✓ **Seek GEF Council decision in June 2016**

- Time bound: support until end of GEF-6 (- June 2018)

- CBIT activities to be mainstreamed into GEF-7 (July 2018 -)

- Governance

- WB as Trustee

- GEF policies and program cycle to apply

✓ **Solicit voluntary contributions to operationalize CBIT**

✓ **Report to COP 22**

GEF Council and Trustee

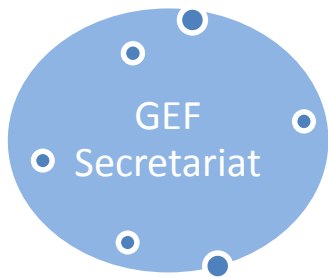# Next steps in the operationalization of the CBIT

- ✓ CBIT architecture deliberated at June 2016 GEF Council
- ✓ Many influencing factors:
  - Voluntary contributions - timing and amount
  - Country interests
  - Speed of project preparations
  - Linkage with UNFCCC processes
  - Coordination and existing/emerging initiatives
  - GEF approval process – medium size or full size

Support to be provided by the CBIT

Initial thinking: provide opportunities for all while addressing targeted implementation support

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1. National level capacity needs assessment for transparency

2. National transparency initiative support

3. Global cross-cutting coordinating platform

➔ *To be discussed in GEF Council*

CBIT Programming

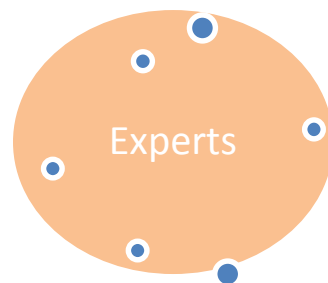| Activity	Indicative allocation
National programs	$35 million
• **Capacity needs assessments for transparency**	$10 million total, $100,000 per country (up to 100 countries)
• **National transparency initiative support**	$25 million total based on needs assessment prioritization
Regional/global programs and coordination	$15 million
Total	~$50 million (TBD)

CBIT Programming and Links to other reporting

- Support for National Communications, Biennial Update Reports
- Global Support Program
- Support for (intended) Nationally Determined Contributions and their implementation
- Adaptation support (NAPA, NAP…)

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➔ *Linkage and coordination at the country and program levels?*

CBIT Programming:
Questions to explore today

Experts

- What are related emerging and existing initiatives?
- How to explore potential collaboration?
- How to align with related UNFCCC elements and workstreams?

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