Initial Programming Directions for CBIT

August 2016

National Programming

Activities to strengthen national institutions for transparency-related activities in line with national priorities

i. Support to national institutions to lead, plan, coordinate, implement, monitor, and evaluate policies, strategies, and programs to enhance transparency, including identification and dissemination of best/good practices for institutional strengthening and national network of practitioners;

ii. Support on how to integrate knowledge from transparency initiatives into national policy and decision-making; and

iii. Assistance with deployment and enhancement of information and knowledge management structure to meet Article 13 needs.

National Programming

Activities to provide relevant tools, training, and assistance for meeting the provisions stipulated in Article 13

i. Access to tools, templates, and applications to facilitate the use of improved methodologies, guidelines, datasets, and database system tools and economic models needed for implementation of enhanced transparency-related activities;

ii. Country-specific training and peer exchange programs on transparency activities, such as establishing domestic MRV systems, tracking nationally determined contributions (NDCs), enhancement of greenhouse gas (GHG) inventories and economic and emissions projections, including methodological approaches, data collection, and data management, and adaptation monitoring, evaluation, and communication measures;

iii. Development of country-specific emissions factors and activity data;

iv. Assistance in quantifying and reporting impact of policy measures;

v. Clarifying key NDC information, e.g. baseline projections including for business-as-usual targets, and reporting progress towards achieving their NDCs; and

vi. Assistance in quantifying and reporting on support provided and received.

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National Programming

Activities to assist with improvement of transparency over time

i. Capacity needs assessment for transparency, in particular to assess institutional arrangements for data collection, analysis, and reporting: the assessment supports mapping of current baseline and planned reporting and related activities, including associated institutions, tools, methodologies, MRV systems, associated data systems; and

ii. Support to introduce and maintain progress tracking tools for transparency-related actions and progress towards targets/goals.

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Global/Regional Programming

- Based on a "modular" approach so that multiple projects can be launched in parallel on priority topics

- Coordination and facilitation is a critical element (e.g., like the child projects of an IAP)

- Modules will be awarded as MSP

- GEFSEC will be actively involved to ensure coordination with UNFCCC and others

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Module: Coordination and Facilitation

- Establish framework for overall coordination like IAP

- Facilitate country, agency, and NGO engagement and participation

- Provide global/regional services to all eligible countries (e.g., using tiered approach)

- Organize high-level meetings and workshops

- Coordinate, consolidate, and report on results

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Module: Assessment of transparency needs and methodologies

- Global assessment of transparency and capacity needs and ongoing activities

- Inventory of available/needed methodologies for sectors and activities described in the INDCs

- Case studies on effective application

- Collaborative development of needed methodologies

- Share and refine results with other modules

- Use best practices to keep assessment updated

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Module: Best Practices

- Development and sharing of best practices, knowledge, and lessons learned on establishing and enhancing transparency, and building capacity

- Foster regional and global capacity building programs, such as application of institutional and policy measures, tools, methodologies, and data, tracking progress and enhancements

- Use input from methodologies assessment and monitoring module to keep updated

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Module: Documenting and Monitoring Progress

- Prepare guidance on development of tracking tools
- Collaborate on implementation of tracking tools in all participating countries
- Foster exchange of transparency practitioners and experts, planners and implementers, including south-south and north-south exchange of experiences
- Develop feedback from tracking tools that will support module on assessment of needs; and module on best practices

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Notes/guidance

- Global/regional modules can be cross-cutting, or focused on a specific sector
  - For example, an assessment could focus on the agriculture, forestry and other land use sector (AFOLU)
  - Similarly, best practices could be one large cross-cutting project, or smaller projects focused on best practices for specific sectors, such as energy efficiency, renewable energy, AFOLU, etc.
- Second phases may be considered

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*

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Comments and Suggestions