Introduction of ICA Process

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Objectives of ICA

- 1. International consultation and analysis (ICA) of biennial update reports under the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) will be conducted in a manner that is **nonintrusive**, **non-punitive** and **respectful of national sovereignty**; ICA will aim to **increase the transparency of mitigation actions and their effects**, through analysis by technical experts in consultation with the Party concerned and through a facilitative sharing of views, and will result in a summary report.
- 2. Discussion on the appropriateness of such domestic policies and measures is **not** part of the process.

Process of ICA

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Submission of BURs

Technical Analysis of BURs by TTEs

Facilitative Exchange of Views

 Composition of Teams of Technical Experts (TTEs) Technical Analysis of BURs by TTEs (one week, in Bonn) • Preparation of a draft individual summary Max 3 months report (SR) for each BUR analyzed by TTEs • Review and comment on draft SR by the Max 3 months Party concerned • Finalization of SR by TTE in consultation Max 3 months with the Party concerned A summary report for each BUR

Workshop open to all Parties

For all Parties for which there is a BUR and a final SR.

Parties will be allowed to submit written questions in advance.

One- to three-hour session for each Party or group of Parties.

Parties may request to go individually or in a group of up to five Parties.

A brief presentation by the Party(ies) concerned, followed by oral questions and answers among Parties.



A record of the facilitative sharing of views

A few pieces of advice

- Make clear what have been updated and what will be updated (improved) in the next submission.
- Transparently provide key information required by COP decisions. (See the annex to this presentation.)
- ➤ Be prepared for questions and answers before and during TA as well as FSV.
- ➤ Take advantage of TA and FSV opportunities to find ways to improve your national GHG inventory.
 - Good communication with TTE and other parties is crucial to identification of capacity building needs, which will enable the Party to continuously and efficiently improve its national GHG inventory in the future.

Thank you & Good Luck!!

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Annex: Required Information on Inventory (1)

General reporting requirements for biennial update reports	
Decision 2/CP.17, annex III, paragraph 9	Inventory section of BUR should consist of a national inventory report as a summary or as an update of the information contained in chapter III (National greenhouse gas inventories) of the annex to decision 17/CP.8, including table 1 and table 2.
Decision 17/CP.8, annex, paragraph 13	Non-Annex I Parties are encouraged to describe institutional arrangements for preparation and management of national GHG inventories.
Decision 17/CP.8, annex, paragraph 21	Non-Annex I Parties are encouraged to provide information on methodologies used, including a brief explanation of the sources of emission factors and activity data. Country-specific sources and/or sinks which are not part of the IPCC Guidelines, if any, should be explicitly explained. Parties are encouraged to identify areas where data may be further improved in future communications through capacity-building.
Decision 17/CP.8, annex, paragraph 24	Non-Annex I Parties are encouraged to provide information on the level of uncertainty associated with inventory data and their underlying assumptions, and to describe the methodologies used, if any, for estimating these uncertainties.

Annex: Required Information on Inventory (2)

General reporting requirements for biennial update reports	
Decision 2/CP.17, annex III, paragraph 6	Non-Annex I Parties are encouraged to include, as appropriate and to the extent that capacities permit, tables included in annex 3A.2 to the IPCC GPG- LULUCF and the sectoral report tables annexed to the Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines.
Decision 17/CP.8, annex, paragraph 22	Each non-Annex I Party is encouraged to use tables 1 and 2 of th NAI-NC guidelines (Annex to Decision 17/CP.8) in reporting its national GHG inventory.
Decision 17/CP.8, annex, paragraph 23	Non-Annex I Parties are encouraged to include in their national communications the inventory sectoral tables and worksheets of the IPCC, in both electronic and hard copy format.
Decision 2/CP.17, annex III, paragraph 10	Additional or supporting information, including sector-specific information, may be supplied in a technical annex.

Annex: Required Information on Inventory (3)

Requirements regarding inventory years	
Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 41 (g)	The first BUR shall cover, at a minimum, the inventory for the calendar year no more than four years prior to the date of the submission, or more recent years if information is available.
Decision 2/CP.17, annex III, paragraph 7	Each non-Annex I Party is encouraged to provide a consistent time series back to the years reported in the previous national communications.
Decision 2/CP.17, annex III, paragraph 8	Non-Annex I Parties which have previously reported on their national GHG inventories contained in their national communications are encouraged to submit summary information tables of inventories for previous submission years (e.g. for 1994 and 2000).

Annex: Required Information on Inventory (4)

Requirements regarding gases and metrics	
Decision 17/CP.8, annex, Paragraph 14	Each non-Annex I Party shall, as appropriate and to the extent possible, provide estimates of anthropogenic emissions of CO2, CH4 and N2O on a gas-by-gas basis and in units of mass.
Decision 17/CP.8, annesx, paragraph 20	Non-Annex I Parties wishing to report on aggregated GHG emissions and removals expressed in CO2 equivalents should use the IPCC SAR GWP(100-year time horizon).
Decision 17/CP.8, annex, paragraph 15	Non-Annex I Parties are encouraged, as appropriate, to provide information on anthropogenic emissions HFCs, PFCs and SF6.
Decision 17/CP.8, annex, paragraph 16	Non-Annex I Parties are encouraged, as appropriate, to report on anthropogenic emission of other GHGs such as CO, NOx and NMVOCs.
Decision 17/CP.8, annex, paragraph 17	Other gases not controlled by the Montreal Protocol, such as SOx, included in the IPCC Guidelines, may be included at the discretion of the Parties.

Annex: Required Information on Inventory (5)

Requirements regarding methodologies	
Decision 2/CP.17, annex III, paragraph 3	Non-Annex I Parties should submit updates of national GHG inventories according to paragraphs 8–24 in the NAI-NC Guidelines contained in the annex to decision 17/CP.8.
Decision 2/CP.17, annex III, paragraph 4	Non-Annex I Parties should use the methodologies established by the latest UNFCCC NAI-NC Guidelines approved by the COP or those determined by any future decision of the COP on this matter.
Decision 2/CP.17, annex III, paragraph 5	The updates of the sections on the national GHG inventories should contain updated data on activity levels based on the best information available using the Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines, GPG2000, and GPG-LULUCF.
Decision 17/CP.8, annex, paragraph 9	In accordance with the IPCC Guidelines, Parties may use different methods (tiers), giving priority to those methods which are believed to produce the most accurate estimates, depending on national circumstances and the availability of data.

Annex: Required Information on Inventory (6)

Requirements regarding methodologies	
Decision 17/CP.8, annex paragraph 10	Non-Annex I Parties are encouraged to use their country-specific and regional emission factors and activity data for key sources or, where these do not exist, to propose plans to develop them in a scientifically sound and consistent manner, provided that they are more accurate than the default data and documented transparently. Non-Annex I Parties are encouraged to formulate cost-effective national or regional programmes aiming at the development or improvement of country-specific or regional emissions factors and activity data.
Decision 17/CP.8, annex Paragraph 11	Non-Annex I Parties are encouraged to apply the IPCC GPG2000, taking into account the need to improve transparency, consistency, comparability, completeness and accuracy in inventories.
Decision 17/CP.8, annex, paragraph 12	Non-Annex I Parties are also encouraged, to the extent possible, to undertake any key source analysis to assist in developing inventories that better reflect their national circumstances.

Annex: Required Information on Inventory (7)

Sector specific requirements	
Decision 17/CP.8, annex, paragraph 19	Non-Annex I Parties should, to the extent possible, and if disaggregated data are available, report emissions from international aviation and marine bunker fuels separately in their inventories. Emission estimates from these sources should not be included in the national totals.
Decision 17/CP.8, annex paragraph 18	Non-Annex I Parties are encouraged, to the extent possible, and if disaggregated data are available, to estimate and report CO2 fuel combustion emissions using both the sectoral and the reference approaches, and to explain any large differences between the two approaches.

Advice: If 2006 IPCC Guidelines are used, you may not be able to strictly follow some of the requirements mentioned in these slides that are relating to Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines or GPG2000/GPG-LULUCF. In that case, provide similar pieces of information or tables that are comparable to the ones written in such requirements.