

Tracking Progress and MRV for Greenhouse Gas Emission Reductions



#### Facts and Figures

- August 20th to 28th, 2013
- 24 participants from 19 countries
- 8 days
- Hanoi, Vietnam



#### • International experts from:

- the World Resources Institute (WRI),
- Ricardo-AEA,
- Ecofys,
- Perspectives,
- South Pole,
- CAOS,
- Global Climate Change Consultancy (GTripleC),
- The Energy and Resources Institute India (TERI), and
- the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale
   Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)
- Almost all participants shared their experiences

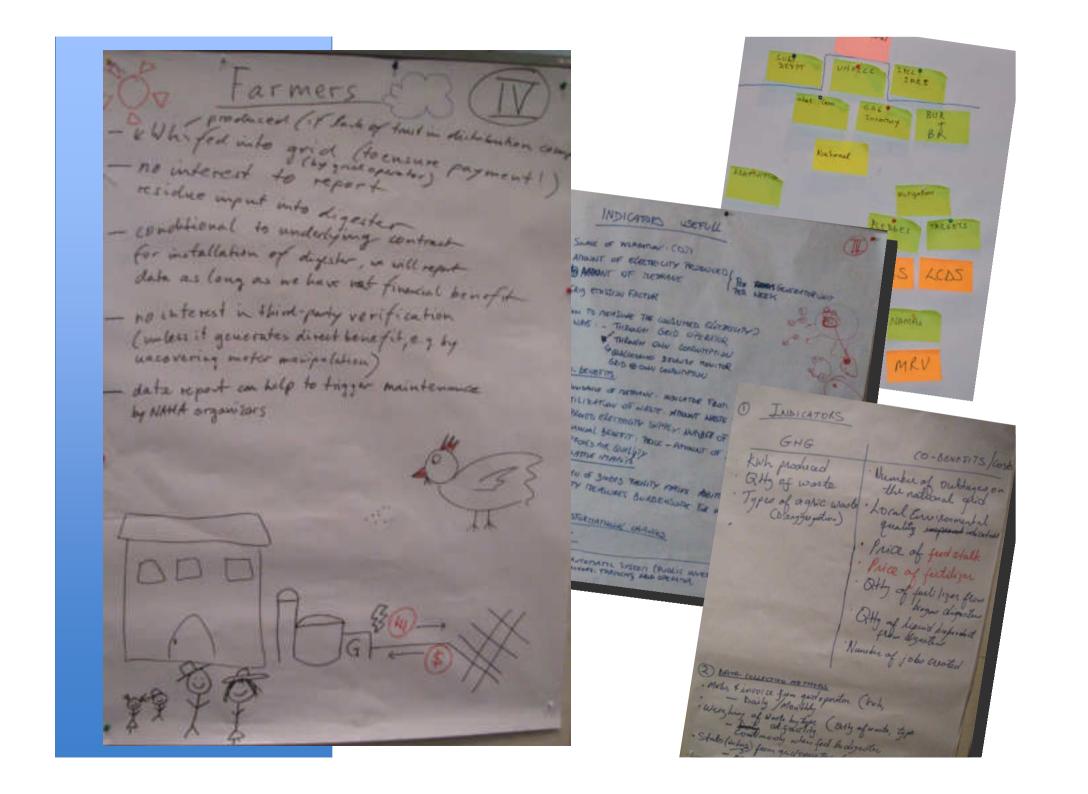






#### Overview

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
Introduction  Background on MRV and accounting	Inventories  Development of emission scenarios and baselines	NAMA prioritization and selection	NAMA finance
Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8
Excursion to Cuc Phuon National Parc	MRV of NAMAs	Tracking Progress	Wrap-up  Identification of future topics



#### **Findings**



## Findings on the dev. of emission scenarios and baselines

- An inventory is a necessary starting point. Sufficient institutional capacity is needed to ensure continuous data collection and processing for BURs/NatComs.
- Wide range of possible modelling approaches exists.
   Models vary regarding complexity and information needs.





- Assumptions matter! Avoid "black boxes"!
   Do not rely exclusively on external
   consultants.
- Which mitigation policies are to be included in the baseline? → Baseline choice is a political decision.

# Findings on NAMA development and prioritization





- Wide range of options for NAMAs (Project, policy, strategy/target level) ... Influences NAMA development and prioritization
- Strong government agency is needed to coordinate NAMA development, and mediate stakeholder input.
- Criteria for NAMA prioritization
  - LEDS useful starting point for NAMA development but should not slow down identification of NAMAs
  - Stakeholders will have different views about NAMA priorities (co-benefits, transformational change, etc.)
  - Multi-criteria analysis may be difficult to implement
  - Criteria for transformational effect are likely to be qualitative and consensus remains to be developed
  - Linked to NAMA finance!

#### Findings on NAMA finance

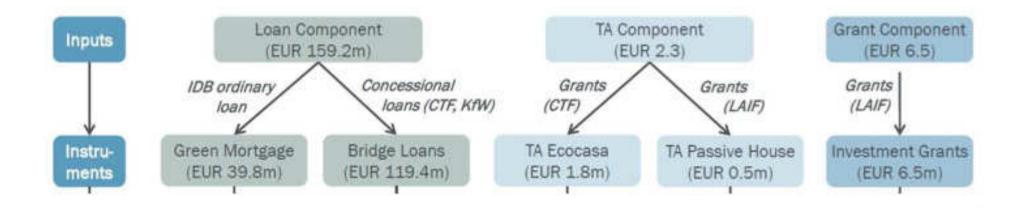
- Countries expect significant financing from donors
- So far, financing is focused on NAMA development.
- NAMA facility as a first step for implementation of NAMAs. Important role
  of technical assistance
- Donors expect substantial part of financing to come from implementing countries
- Can old and new market mechanisms come to the rescue? Not at current price levels, maybe under increased ambition...
- The few NAMAs under implementation all have a mix of financing options







#### NAMA financing in components





Excursion to Cuc Phuong National Park



### Cultural Evening





## Excursion to a cement factory



#### Findings on MRV of NAMAs

- UNFCCC level
  - Criteria: voluntary, pragmatic, nonprescriptive, non-intrusive, country driven
  - Report in BURs
  - Still differences in opinions regarding MRV for domestic NAMAs
  - Fear of some countries that guidelines might de facto become prescriptive





Many MRV options available on which to build

GHG: project-based: Kyoto Mechanisms, policy-based:

new WRI draft

standard, strategy-based: IPCC

Transformational impacts: transaction cost for

overcoming barriers

Co-benefit: Social Carbon, CCBS...

Internal and external verification (2nd/3rd party)?

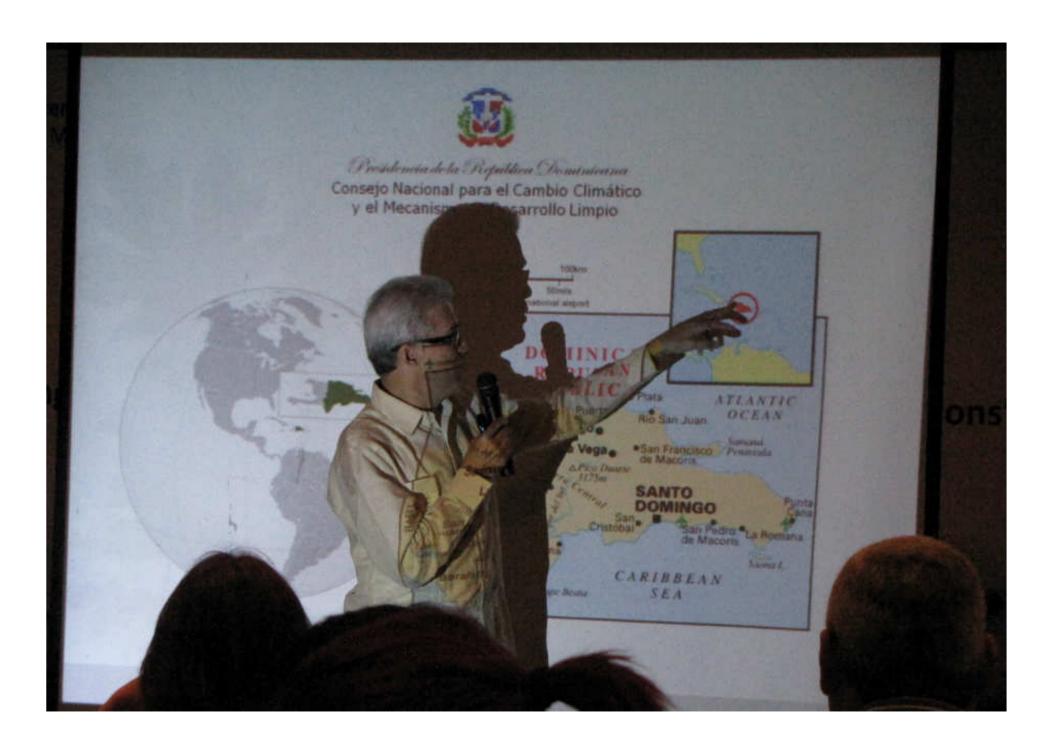
# Findings on pledges / tracking progress



- Setting of pledges
  - Types of pledges vary base year vs baseline, absolute vs intensity, single vs multiple target year
  - Try to make pledges as easily comparable as possible



- Ambition and its increase
  - Ratcheting up of pledges already before 2020?
  - Increase in ambition will be a long and difficult
- Tracking of progress (accounting regime)
  - Avoidance of double counting of mitigation action is challenging but crucial
  - Voluntary reporting in BURs / BR / in contracts of non-UNFCCC mechanisms





#### What is different this year?

- 1 day less to reduce the degree of exhaustion
- Dinners mostly within the hotel
- No formal facilitator. Different staff members will take that role
- Fewer international experts, more presentations from the participants

... Please resist the temptation...