

Where on earth are we going?

The UNFCCC labyrinth

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- Overview of the negotiations
- Paris deliverables

The UNFCCC, before moving any
further...



The actors... (the ones that “do”)

- First and foremost: the Parties
- The bodies: COP, SBs, Committees, EB
- Implementing entities (of the financial mechanism)
- The secretariat
- Organizations (“outsiders”)

A “framework” convention

- Principles
- Definitions
- Some general requirements
 - No specific deliverables
 - No timelines
 - No rules

Protocols like Kyoto

- Commitment period
- QERCS
- Defines “assigned amounts”
- Flexibility mechanisms
- Supplementary information
- Compliance

So why are we negotiating?

What is going on at the UNFCCC

Parallel tracks...

- INDCs
- The “agreement”

... Meet in the horizon

Elements of the agreement

Objective

Mitigation

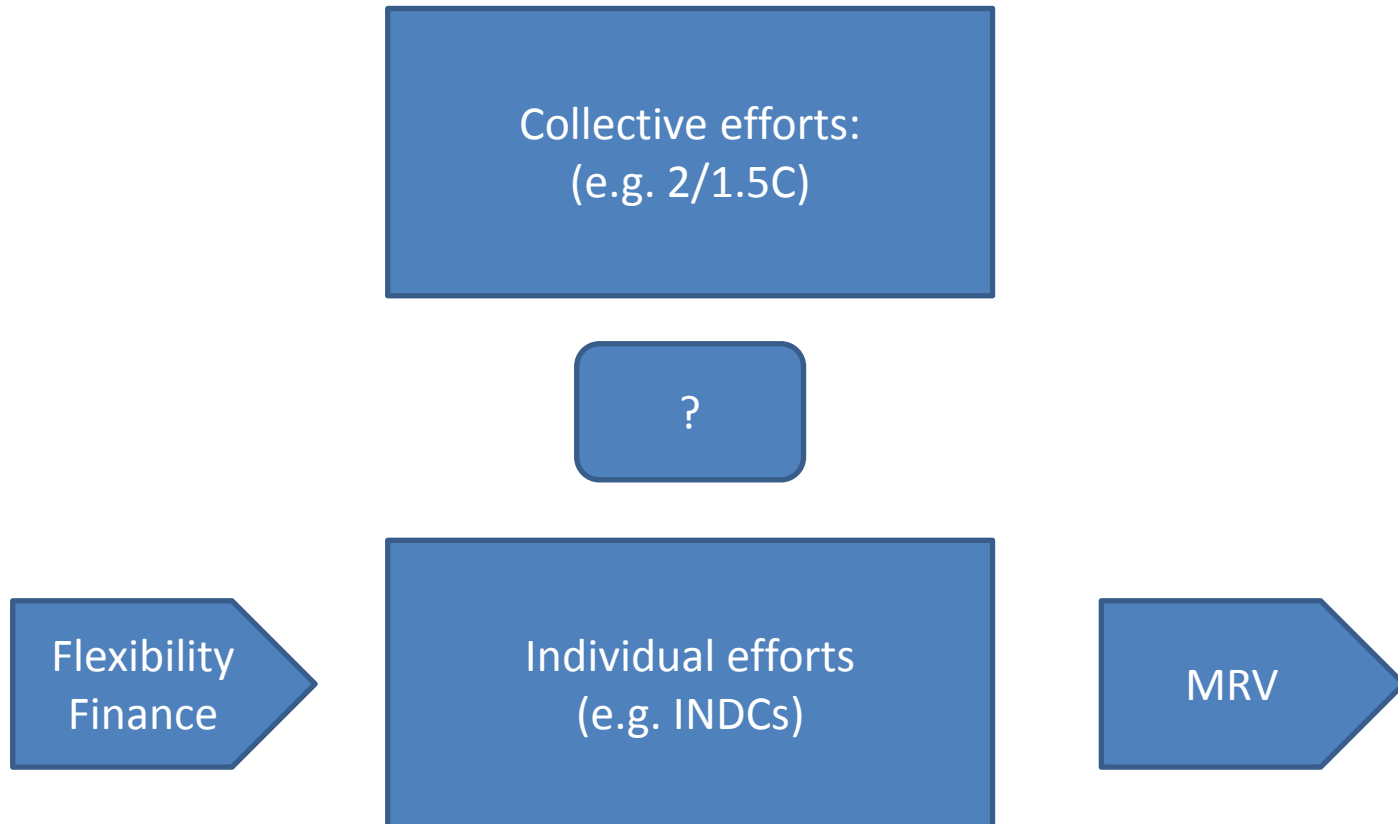
Adaptation

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Reporting

Other

Mitigation



Details, details, details...



Quantified?

Rules?

Long term?

Individual efforts
(e.g. INDCs)

Type?

Regular?
And how
often?

Housed
where?

Conditions?

MRV

Collective efforts:

- How far are we from meeting the objective?
- Periodic review of ambition, all encompassing

Individual efforts:

- How is each country going with regards to implementation?
- Individual reporting, and review
- Based on existing system?

A “cycle” (although everyone hates the word)



INDCs every 5 or 10 years
Multilateral aggregate review

Individual biennial reporting and review

All is in the texts

Elements for a
draft negotiating
text (Lima)

Negotiating text
(Geneva)

Agreement
(Paris)

Chair's tools

The Paris deliverables

From negotiations:

- An “instrument” specifying legal provisions for Party action
- A set of decisions with political agreements, technical guidance, and a follow up process

From Parties:

INDCs

My best guess...

- Principles and caveats (a lot)
- A common goal (top down)
- A regular review
- [An] individual obligation[s] (bottom up)
- Some general principles of “accounting”
- Instruments for cooperation
- MRV arrangements similar in practice to what we have
- Facilitative “compliance”