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# First experiences with the first round of International Consultation and Analysis of Biennial Update Reports

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## INFORMATION MATTERS

### Strengthening in-country capacities for enhanced reporting (BURs and NCs) to the UNFCCC





## EXPERIENCES FROM IM COUNTRIES ON FIRST ROUND OF ICA OF BURs

**Information Matters** supports partner countries in the **preparation of their BURs**, including development of **sustainable MRV systems** and institutional arrangements and in preparing for the **ICA process**

- Experience about challenges and success stories from project activities in the partner countries and regional activities

### **First experiences based on completion of 2 ICA cycles (Technical analysis)**

- gives indication of how Parties report in the BURs
- provides indication of remaining challenges & possible reasons, including areas for capacity building
- indicates areas where Parties are making efforts to report more ambitious and apply best practices (i.e. beyond the 'minimum requirements')



## FIRST ROUND OF ICA OF BURs: FIRST EXPERIENCES

**GHG inventories**: Majority of countries demonstrated **efforts to surpass the minimum requirements** (with different degree), such as:

- time series/recalculations (at least partially for key years)
- methods: use of 2006 GL, use of higher tiers
- provision of additional information
- application of key category analysis
- estimation of uncertainties
- description of QA/QC



## FIRST ROUND OF ICA OF BURs: FIRST EXPERIENCES

- **Capacity building needs** as identified by the TTE in consultation with the Party concerned frequently relate to:
  - **GHG inventory**, e.g. inclusion of uncertainty analysis, provision of actual underlying data and EF s used
  - **enhancing reporting on mitigation actions** (improved formats, enhanced information on underlying assumptions)
  - The **institutionalization of inventory preparation** and systematization of **domestic MRV arrangements**
  - Provision of **explanatory information to enhance transparency**



## GENERAL OBSERVATIONS FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> ICA EXPERIENCES

### BUR REPORTING

- Submission of BURs according to an agreed timeline seems to be a challenge for many Parties, both with regard to the 1<sup>st</sup> *and* 2<sup>nd</sup> BUR
- Almost all countries to a large extent relied on GEF funding to support BUR preparation (though some did with limited or without)
- Many countries show ambition in their **reporting on GHG inventories**
- Reporting of **mitigation actions** varies greatly, in terms of level of detail and formats used (in particular: methodology and underlying assumptions) with frequent remarks by the TTE about how transparency could be improved through CB
- Reporting of support needed: often of qualitative nature



## GENERAL OBSERVATIONS FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> ICA EXPERIENCES

### ICA – TECHNICAL ANALYSIS STEP

Feedback on areas of reporting that are considered complete (with regard to BUR elements) and those where transparency could be enhanced through capacity building

- Better understanding of reporting provisions
- Input for continuous improvement
- Identification of areas for capacity building

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