



Five years of Partnership – achieving results together



The International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV

Germany, South Africa and South Korea established the International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV during the Petersberg Climate Dialogue in 2010. The aim was to drive the exchange between all countries on practical approaches for reducing greenhouse gases (GHGs) worldwide. This is intended to promote concrete mitigation measures in different countries as well as provide new impetus for the international climate negotiations.

A great deal has happened since the launch of the Partnership: Over 90 countries have taken part in the various Partnership activities, most of them developing countries.



The Partnership in action

Various activities are taking place within the Partnership; these impart knowledge to the participating countries on the following topics and promote relevant exchanges of experience:

- » Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs)
- » Low-Emission Development Strategies (LEDS)
- » Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions (NAMAs)
- » Measurement, Reporting and Verification (MRV).

Climate policy networks

High-level [Partnership meetings](#) take place regularly on the margins of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) negotiations. Policy-makers from around the world come together at these events in order to exchange positions, ideas and experiences on climate change mitigation in an informal setting. Fifteen such meetings have already taken place as of April 2015.

The Partnership also performs an intermediary function, [pooling information](#) and [fostering cooperation](#). Important partners include: LEDS Global Partnership, Partnership for Market Readiness, NAMA Partnership, UNDP Low Emission Capacity Building Programme, World Resources Institute and many more.



Regional distribution of partnering countries (as of April 2015)



Capacity development and exchange of experiences

The Partnership offers numerous opportunities for learning and exchanging experiences – some are supraregional and others tailored for specific regions. For example, three one-week [Summer/Autumn Schools](#) have taken place in which participants from different regions of the world discussed a certain topic in great detail. International experts share the newest state of expertise, for example on the topic of MRV; in addition, participants report on strategies and experiences in their countries.

» The added value is pooling all kinds of opinions and perspectives from different types of countries, circumstances and organisations, and having the best standards for tackling the problems that all of us are facing, and also the ways that all of us are trying to resolve them.

Participant of Summer School 2013

In the [regional groups](#) of the Partnership – Asia, (English-speaking) Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean and the French-speaking cluster – additional workshops and technical training courses take place that are tailored to the needs of the participating countries. Nine such workshops have taken place as of April 2015. In addition, webinars and other online formats are offered to further promote exchange between the countries.

» I participate in so many training courses but this was one of the few that actually made sense.

Otar Antia, Georgia

» I really like the hands-on approach. I have the feeling that these workshops actually bring us forward.

Ferdinand Mwapopi, Namibia

In addition, the Partnership participates actively in the training courses and workshops of other initiatives. For example, it supported a workshop in 2014 in the Philip-



ines on GHG and non-GHG indicators, which was organised by an International Climate Initiative (IKI) project. In April 2015, it co-organised the Global Workshop on Intended Nationally Determined Contributions in Berlin together with UNDP and other projects by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH.

Global Good Practice Analysis

The Partnership prepared the [Global Good Practice Analysis](#) together with the UNDP Low Emission Capacity Building Programme. It presents case studies that show how LEDS, NAMAs and MRV systems can be developed and implemented successfully. A second edition with more case studies will be published in 2015.

Knowledge products and training instruments

The Partnership offers an [e-learning course](#) in which those interested can independently familiarise themselves with the topic of NAMAs. In [background papers](#) and [guidelines](#), such as Process Guidance for Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs) or the Knowledge Products resulting from the Summer Schools, the Partnership constantly provides new impetus for international discussions as well as practical support for the partner countries.

The Partnership in numbers (as of April 2015)

3
founding members

network of over
90
countries

26
workshops, trainings and other
events held or supported

15
Partnership meetings



Pooling and disseminating knowledge

On the Partnership [website](#), users can access a variety of information – from the activities of the Partnership itself as well as of other organisations. Information on new materials and instruments is also disseminated through a newsletter, Facebook and Twitter. Many policy-makers, practitioners and other experts working on climate change use these information services to keep up-to-date on INDCs, LEDS, NAMAs and MRV. Since its launch, website hits have grown markedly and now consistently reach a high level, with an average of 7,500 visitors each month. As of April 2015, the [newsletter](#) had 550 subscribers and counting. You can subscribe to the newsletter at www.mitigationpartnership.net/subscribe.



Increase in unique monthly website visitors March 2013 — March 2015

The Partnership on the ground

In December 2014, Namibia was the first developing country to submit its biennial update report (BUR) to the UNFCCC secretariat. The report summarises all of the country's activities for implementing the Framework Convention on Climate Change. It contains information on GHG emission trends and describes the support requirements of the country for implementing climate change mitigation and adaptation measures as well as the assistance received.

The development of a BUR is a complex process in which various data and information must be collected, evaluated and consolidated. The Partnership supports the BUR preparation process through training courses and peer-to-peer exchange forums. In this work, it utilises and disseminates a template for BURs developed by GIZ.

An example of peer-to-peer exchange was a workshop held within the African regional group in October 2014. Namibia explicitly recognised the expertise it gained at the event in its BUR:

» Namibia was among the countries that benefited from the 'peer-to-peer initiative for the African Region on BUR reports of the International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV' [...] This forum equipped the African countries with a unique opportunity to benefit from the knowledge base of the International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV by sharing experiences and expert inputs on the preparation of BURs, knowledgeable information on mitigation and MRV.

Countries are invited to join the Partnership and share information on ongoing mitigation activities at:

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