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**Agenda for the Anglophone African Regional Workshop on
“Finance ready mitigation actions: building blocks for NDC achievement”, 25-27 April, Accra, Ghana**

Hosted by the Ghanaian Ministry of Environment, Science, Technology & Innovation (MESTI) in cooperation with the African Regional Group of the International Partnership on Transparency in the Paris Agreement (formerly known as International Partnership on Mitigation & MRV).

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Background

- The Paris Agreement firmly places NDCs at the center of Parties' efforts in moving their economies on low-emission resilient development pathways. The implementation of the Agreement now relies on countries meeting their own 'contributions', which will require the implementation of relevant national policy frameworks, as well as the mobilization of financial resources from a wide variety of sources, instruments and channels. As countries move forward with the implementation of their mitigation components, NAMAs are expected to play a prominent role.
- As identified by a number of developing countries, mitigation actions and NAMAs are currently developed and implemented, and could be used as an instrument to achieve their NDCs in the framework of a coherent mitigation strategy.

Objective

- The main objective of the workshop is to facilitate a peer-to-peer exchange on how to develop mitigation measures (including NAMAs) in the form of policy and financial frameworks that make low-carbon projects and programmes bankable.
- The workshop will discuss key issues in mobilizing financing for implementation of mitigation measures in Anglophone African countries, facilitating exchange of experiences from on-going initiatives in the sub-region and provide practical insights from international organizations and financing institutions supporting the implementation of mitigation measures.
- It will elaborate and discuss the major stages of mitigation actions financing cycles: the aim will be to look at essential elements of a financing plan, the pitfalls to avoid and the actions that need to be put in place to develop bankable mitigation measures.

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Format and Participants

- Participants of Anglophone African countries, including policy makers, climate change practitioners and experts from the African Regional Group of the International Partnership on Transparency.
- Representatives from international organizations and financing institutions such as the African Development Bank, the NAMA Facility etc.

Working groups & Clinics

There will be two working groups starting on day 2 of the workshop. One working group will be for countries in the process of preparing mitigation actions, including NAMAs, and the other for countries in the process of implementation. **Both working groups will provide participants with the unique opportunity to share their experience with other participants who are working on similar topics/circumstances.** The working groups will be centered around clinics in which countries will have the opportunity to receive advice (for example on a specific challenge you are facing) from other participants, including representative of international organizations and come up with solutions to address them. **Please note, that there is no need for you to prepare a Power Point presentation** (unless you have been asked to do so). But to make the most out of it, please come prepared to discuss your experience in preparation and implementation of NAMAs/Mitigation actions.

Background material

In preparing for the workshop, participants can go through online “NAMA E-learning” course developed by the International Partnership on Mitigation and MRV. The course is free of cost and can be accessed [here](#). The NAMA-Tool can be found [here](#).

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Tuesday 25 th April	
10h00 – 10h30	Reception and registration of participants
10h30 – 11h30	<p>Opening of the Workshop Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO)</p> <p>Introduction and opening by a representative of the Ministry of Environment, Science, Technology & Innovation (MESTI) of Ghana - Mr. John PWAMANG, Acting Executive Director, Environmental Protection Agency Ghana</p> <p>Workshop overview presented by the organisers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Partnership on Transparency in the Paris Agreement (PTPA) – Mr. Sven EGBERS - Deputy Regional Representative for Africa and FAO Representative in Ghana – Mr. Abebe HAILE GABRIEL - UNFCCC – Ms. Tshering SHERPA <p>Facilitated introduction-round and exchange on workshop objectives and participants’ expectations</p>
11:30 – 12:30	<p>Bankable mitigation actions: key success factors Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO)</p> <p>Purpose: To provide an overview of the key success factors for a bankable mitigation action or NAMA.</p> <p>2 plenary presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Country presentation by South Africa - ‘Fundamentals for a bankable mitigation action and NAMA: the 3 legs of the stool’ – Laurence BLANDFORD – CCAP

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12h30 – 13h30 Lunch break	
13h30 – 14h00	<p>Cntd: Bankable NAMAs: key success factors Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO)</p> <p>1 plenary presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ‘Financing NAMA activities: how to prepare a bankable NAMA’ by Mr. Sören DAVID – NAMA-Facility
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Addressing barriers and challenges</p> <p>Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO) & Laurence Blandford (CCAP)</p> <p>Purpose: To identify the issues that participating countries face when preparing and implementing bankable mitigation actions and NAMAs. In the breakout groups participants will look at the institutional, legal, financial and technical framework in place within their countries. This will help participants to identify the issues, difficulties and questions in preparing and implementing bankable mitigation actions and NAMA’s.</p> <p>In 2 breakout groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group 1: countries in the process of preparing NAMAs - Group 2: countries in the process of implementing NAMAs
15h30 – 16h00 Coffee break	
16:00 – 18:00	<p>An overview of funding sources, instruments and support to mobilise funds</p> <p>Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO) & Laurence Blandford (CCAP)</p> <p>Purpose: In small groups, participants will have opportunity to interact with representatives of funding and support organisations. The representatives of international organisations will present their resources and tools. By bringing in the issues, difficulties and questions from the previous round, participants will start the process of seeking answers to the barriers and challenges they face.</p>



	<p>In small groups and rounds of 25 minutes, participants will get to know the following funding and support organisations.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AREI (African Renewable Energy Initiative) 2. CTCN (Climate Technology Centre & Network) (tbc) 3. ECREEE (ECOWAS Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency) 4. FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations) 5. NAMA-Facility 6. NDC-Partnership 7. UNDP LECB-Program & DREI (Derisking Renewable Energy Investment) project
19h00	Welcome reception: dinner at the hotel

Wednesday 26th April	
In day 2 participants will work in small working groups (clinics.)	
09 :00 – 09:30	<p>Plenary start Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of Day 1 - Explanation of approach to work in Day 2
09:30 – 10:30	<p>Clinic round 1: Collectively finding solutions to barriers and challenges Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO) and Laurence Blandford (CCAP)</p>



	<p>Purpose: In separate clinics participants will discuss a specific country case (a mitigation action or a NAMA). The country case will be briefly presented and participants will be asked to investigate the issues and difficulties with the aim to bring the case further by suggesting potential solutions, including their own experience of how they addressed similar issues/difficulties</p> <p>. The clinic will end with a reflection on what solutions could be used and implemented for each case.</p> <p>In 2 breakout groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group 1: countries in the process of preparing NAMAs - Group 2: countries in the process of implementing NAMAs <p>In each breakout group 2 clinics are being held.</p>
10h30 – 11h00	Break
11:00 – 12:00	<p>Ctnd. Clinic round 1: Collectively finding solutions to barriers and challenges Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO) and Laurence Blandford (CCAP)</p> <p>See above</p>
12:00 – 12:30	<p>Plenary sharing of discussions of Clinic round 1. Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO)</p>
12h30 – 13h30	Lunch
13:30 – 14:30	<p>Clinic round 2: International support for addressing barriers and challenges Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO) and Laurence Blandford (CCAP)</p> <p>Purpose: In the second round of clinics participants will discuss with the funding and support organisations. The funding and support organisations will present their support programmes. The group will then actively look at how the support programmes could effectively benefit their own country situation.</p> <p>In 2 breakout groups</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group 1: countries in the process of preparing NAMAs - Group 2: countries in the process of implementing NAMAs <p>In each breakout group 2 clinics will be held. Following funding and support organisations will be present:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AREI (African Renewable Energy Initiative) 2. CTCN (Climate Technology Centre & Network) (tbc) 3. ECREEE (ECOWAS Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency) 4. FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations) 5. NAMA-Facility 6. NDC-Partnership 7. UNDP LECB-Program & DREI (Derisking Renewable Energy Investment) project 8. AfDB (African Development Bank)
14h30 – 15h00	Break
15:00 – 16:00	<p>Ctnd. Clinic round 2: International support for addressing barriers and challenges Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO) and Laurence Blandford (CCAP)</p> <p>See above</p>
16:00 – 17:00	<p>Plenary sharing of results & thinking of first follow-up steps Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO)</p> <p>Purpose: sharing the insights of the clinics and developing first follow-up steps for the preparation/implementation of mitigation actions or NAMAs. These follow-up steps will be based on the insights from day 1 and day 2.</p> <p>Sharing some of the insights in a plenary session Developing first next steps</p>
19:00	Dinner



Agenda – Thursday 27th April

09:00 – 09:30	<p>Plenary start Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wrap-up of previous day
9h30 – 10h30	<p>Marketplace Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO) and Laurence Blandford (CCAP)</p> <p>Purpose: On the basis of the first 2 days of discussion, this session will attempt to match potential mitigation actions/NAMAs and support organisations to further develop follow-up steps and to identify concrete next steps representatives of countries and international organizations could take in the following 2-3 months.</p>
10h30- 11h00	Coffee break
11h00 – 12h00	<p>Overview of support needs of the cases presented Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO) and Laurence Blandford (CCAP)</p>
12:00 – 13:00	<p>Closure of the workshop Facilitated by Ruben van der Laan (FAO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Partnership activities planned for 2017 - Evaluation of the workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Take home messages o Overall lessons learned o Improvements and wishes
13h00 -14h00	Lunch