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**Concept Note**

**Asia Regional Workshop**  
**Taking Stock of First BTRs and Getting Ready for Second BTRs**  
In-person workshop

**Date:** February 24-25-26, 2026

**Location:** Bangkok, Thailand

**Venue:** Mövenpick BDMS Wellness Resort Bangkok, Radiant Room, 4th Floor

### Background

More than one hundred and twenty countries have submitted their **first Biennial Transparency Reports (BTR1)** under the **Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF)** of the **Paris Agreement**. The submission of BTRs demonstrates countries' commitment to transparent climate action and building trust among all parties. There are many lessons that can be drawn from the preparation of the first BTRs, which are key to consider in the process of preparing the second BTRs (BTR2). BTRs also play a key role in setting more ambitious NDC targets, supported with robust and latest information available.

### Objective

The **Partnership on Transparency in the Paris Agreement (PATPA)** will host its **Asia Regional Workshop on "Taking Stock of first BTRs and getting ready for second BTRs"**, in collaboration with the UN Climate Change Secretariat and partners. The **main objective** of this workshop is to provide developing and developed country Parties with a space to reflect on and exchange key insights from the preparation of BTR1 and experiences from Technical Expert Reviews (TER). Participants will engage in peer-learning and exchange of experiences on their BTR1 journey and looking ahead into future BTRs. The invited participants will take part in technical trainings to strengthen national capacities in key areas of BTR. The scope of the trainings is defined based on a survey completed by the invitees. Thematic areas to be covered during the workshop include:

- Key lessons learned from BTR1
- Technical Expert Review (TER) process overview and insights from countries' experiences
- Application of the ETF Modalities, Procedures and Guidelines (MPGs): flexibility and improvement in BTR2
- Areas of BTR2 Improvement
- Improving national GHG inventory: Data management (documentation, archiving, QA/QC Protocols)



- Quantifying the impacts of mitigation actions, policies and measures
- Adaptation (incl. Loss & Damage) reporting

## Outcome

The workshop is expected to have the following results:

- **Improved understanding of key lessons** from the preparation and submission of BTR1, including insights from TER and relevant synthesis reports.
- **Enhanced technical capacity** for the preparation of BTR2, with a focus on areas such as GHG inventories, quantification of mitigation impacts, adaptation reporting, and the application of flexibility provisions.
- **Shared practical experiences and peer-to-peer insights** on challenges, innovations, and good practices related to ETF implementation.
- **Initiating and enhancing regional networks** to foster continued collaboration, knowledge exchange, and mutual support leading up to BTR2 submission

## Target group

Transparency experts from **20 developed and developing countries** in the South-East and Central Asia and Pacific region (see Annex 1).

## Format

Technical inputs and interactive elements during **3 working days**, within a **safe space**. The working language of the workshop will be **English**.

### - Technical input

Regional and international experts will hold brief technical presentations on selected topics to set the scene for technical discussions and peer exchange.

Open spaces for experts' advice and feedback to overcome technical issues and challenges that the participating countries are facing with the preparation of their BTRs.

### - Interactive sessions

Interactive sessions in groups and plenaries for peer-to-peer exchange on best practices and solutions.



## Preparatory phase (December 2025-January 2026)

In the preparatory phase of the Workshop, invited participants were asked to complete a **thematic questionnaire**. The survey results fed into the development of the agenda to identify the respective needs of countries and provide appropriate expertise and solutions.

## Invitation policy and funding

Travel and accommodation costs of **sponsored participants** will be borne by the organizers. Detailed funding information will be provided to the invited participants.

## Organizers

The Secretariat of the Partnership on Transparency in the Paris Agreement (PATPA) on behalf of the PATPA founding members: Germany, Republic of Korea and South Africa.

## Supporting countries and organizations

Commonwealth of Australia, Republic of Singapore, Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), Kingdom of Thailand.

## Gender & Diversity

The organising team is committed to promoting gender balance, equality, diversity, inclusion and representation of different age groups through various targeted actions. We commit to integrate measures of diversity and gender into all phases, inspired by a gender-responsive event management approach, to ensure that our event provides a safe and empowering space for all participants.



## Draft Agenda: Asia Regional Workshop 2026

DAY 1: Tuesday, February 24, 2026		
Time	Session	Speakers
Day 1: Thematic Focus 1. Implementation of the ETF and preparation of BTRs		
08:30	Arrival and registration	
09:00-10:15	<b>Welcome:</b> PATPA Secretariat <b>Opening remarks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kingdom of Thailand</li> <li>- GIZ Thailand</li> <li>- Australia</li> <li>- Singapore</li> </ul>	Organizers
	<b>Group photo</b>	All
	<b>Objectives of the workshop and agenda</b>	PATPA/Facilitator
	<b>Getting to know each other</b>	
Morning Coffee Break		
10:45-12:30	<b>Topic 1.1 Experience and lessons learnt from BTR1 to consider in preparing BTR2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Scene-setting remarks</li> </ul>	PATPA
	<b>Spotlight on countries:</b> Thailand's Journey to BTR1 Submission	
	<b>Table conversations:</b> Country experiences in preparation and submission of BTRs	Facilitator
Lunch		
13:45-15:45	<b>Topic 1.2 Transparency Outlook</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Overview of transparency outcomes from Belém</li> <li>- Overview of ETF implementation status, with a focus on Asia</li> <li>- Key insights from BTRs</li> </ul>	UNFCCC
	<b>Table conversations:</b> Reflections on the technical input	Facilitator
	<b>Topic 1.3 Technical Expert Review (TER)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Brief introduction to the TER process</li> </ul>	PATPA
	<b>Spotlight on national TER experiences:</b> Collecting practical experiences of countries on TER	
	<b>Exercise:</b> TER mock-up	
Afternoon Coffee Break		

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16:15-17:30	<b>Topic 1.4 Application of ETF Modalities Procedures and Guidelines (MPGs): flexibility and improvement in BTR2</b> - Brief overview of MPGs, incl. provisions on flexibility	PATPA
	<b>Exchange session:</b> Experiences with applying flexibility in BTR1 and approaches for BTR2	
	<b>Reflections and feedback on the day</b>	Facilitator
18:00	<b>Networking Reception</b>	All
<b>End of Day 1</b>		

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DAY 2 : Wednesday, February 25, 2026		
Time	Session	Speaker
<b>Day 2: Thematic Focus – Implementation of ETF and BTR, GHG Inventory</b>		
09:00-10:30	<b>Key take-aways from Day 1</b>	Facilitator
	<b>Topic 2.1 Areas of BTR2 improvement</b> - Identification of Capacity Building Needs (CBN) - Elements for preparing an improvement plan - Example of a country improvement work plan	UNEP CCC
	<b>Spotlight on countries:</b> Singapore’s experience in national GHG inventory preparation and improvement	Singapore
	<b>Exercise:</b> How to convert a CBN assessment into an improvement plan for BTR 2	UNEP CCC
<b>Morning Coffee Break</b>		
11:00-13:00	<b>Topic 2.2 National greenhouse gases (GHG) inventory</b> - Data management (documentation, archiving, QA/QC Protocols) (TBC)	PATPA
	<b>Exercise:</b> Individual/group work	
<b>Lunch</b>		
14:00-17:00	<b>Excursion</b>	All
<b>End of Day 2</b>		

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DAY 3: Thursday, February 26, 2026		
Time	Session	Speaker
<b>Day 3: Thematic Focus – Mitigation, Adaptation, and Loss and Damage</b>		
09:00-10:30	<b>Key take-aways from Day 2</b>	Facilitator
	<b>Topic 3.1 Quantifying the impacts of mitigation policies and measures: Methods and best practices</b> - Brief information on reporting requirements and possible methodologies for quantifying the impacts of mitigation policies and measures	UNEP CCC
	<b>Exercise:</b> Case studies on example policies: An example will be done using the GACMO model.	
<b>Morning Coffee Break</b>		
11:00-12:30	<b>Topic 3.2 Recent developments on adaptation</b> - Overview of the Belém outcome on adaptation and its linkages to BTRs	UNFCCC
	<b>Spotlight on countries:</b> National monitoring and evaluation system for adaptation reporting: Australia and Thailand	Thailand & Australia
<b>Lunch</b>		
13:45-14:45	<b>Topic 3.3 Good practices on reporting on adaptation and loss and damage</b> <b>Exchange session:</b> Collecting and learning about country experiences in reporting on adaptation and loss and damage in BTR1	Facilitator
<b>Afternoon Coffee Break</b>		
15:15-17:00	<b>Technical Clinic</b> - Deep dive into open issues identified during the workshop - Bilateral slot for discussing open questions	All experts
	<b>Main learnings from the Workshop</b>	Facilitator
	<b>Closing</b> - Kingdom of Thailand	Organizers
<b>End of Day 3</b>		



### Annex 1: List of countries

Country			
1	Australia	15	Thailand
2	Bangladesh	16	Timor Leste
3	Bhutan	17	Tuvalu
4	Brunei Darussalam	18	Uzbekistan
5	India	19	Vanuatu
6	Indonesia	20	Vietnam
7	Lao PDR		
8	Maldives		
9	Mongolia		
10	Nepal		
11	Pakistan		
12	Philippines		
13	Singapore		
14	Solomon Islands		