

Side-Event COP23

## **NDC accounting of GHG emissions: First-hand experiences from pilot activities**

**17 November 2017 (11h30 – 13h00)**

**Venue: Room 9, Bonn Zone**

The Paris Agreement introduced the *accounting* for GHG emissions and removals corresponding to the NDC as a new requirement for all. It could represent the main and most reliable source of information to determine progress in NDC achievement. The diversity of target types taken in the NDCs by countries yet challenges comparability and Kyoto-like accounting might not be appropriate for all.

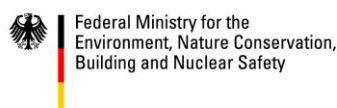
Since 2014 Colombia, Costa Rica, and Mexico have been cooperating on the elaboration of pilots of national accounting systems that connect and use the data on NDC achievement while recognizing in-country elements of the existing MRV framework, thereby strengthening capacities, processes, and institutions along the process.

To carve out a system that unites the aforementioned, to exploit synergies within reach and to start from an advanced point, any accounting structure should build on the existing structures and elements reflected in national GHG emission inventories and reporting, tracking of policies and measures, whilst taking up a stance on them from an accounting perspective. As differences are inherent to those elements, it is an early task to define clear cut functions among those elements in the context of the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) and at the domestic level.

We are glad to share some experiences gained over the past few years from the mentioned cooperation and link to current discussions under the COP/ CMA. The event is hosted by the Ministry for the Environment, Energy and Water of Costa Rica (MINAE) and the Institute for Applied Ecology (Öko-Institut e.V.).

The cooperation is within the project on “*Accounting rules for the achievement of the mitigation targets of non-Annex 1 countries*” implemented by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH. The project is part of the International Climate Initiative (IKI). The Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB) supports the initiative based on a decision adopted by the German Bundestag.

On behalf of:



## Agenda

| Opening   |   |   |
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| 11:30<br>11:40  | Welcome   | <p>Edgar Gutierrez<br/>Minister for the Environment, Energy and Water (MINAE), Costa Rica</p> <p>Barbara Hendricks<br/>Federal Minister for the Environment (BMUB), Germany</p>   |
| Block 1. NDC Accounting: State of the art, Advances and Experiences |   |   |
| 11:40<br>11:55  | NDC Accounting for a successful implementation of the Paris Agreement | <p>Kirsten Orschulok: Opening statement by BMUB<br/>Advisor to the Ministry, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB), Germany</p> <p>Anke Herold: What is accounting and the “Accounting rules”-project?<br/>Senior Researcher, Energy and Climate Department, Institute for Applied Ecology, Germany</p>   |
| 11:55<br>12:40  | Pilot experiences and build-up of systems                             | <p>Javier Fernandez: Integrating climate change information with NDC accounting- the Costa Rican SINAMECC<br/>Climate Change Agency, Ministry for the Environment, Energy and Water (MINAE), Costa Rica</p> <p>Camila Rodriguez: Accounting and NDC Implementation- Experiences from Colombia<br/>Climate Change Department, Ministry for the Environment and Sustainable Development (MADS), Colombia</p> <p>Claudia Octaviano: Accounting and Transparency<br/>General Coordinator for Climate Change Mitigation, National Institute of Ecology and Climate Change (INECC), Mexico</p> <p>Representative of Morocco (td): Improvement of the National Inventory System<br/>Climate Change Competence Center of Morocco (4C Morocco)</p> |
| Block 2. Expectations on Accounting Guidance                        |   |   |
| 12:40<br>13:00  | Expectations towards NDC Accounting                                   | Panel Discussion with country representatives and the Institute for Applied Ecology   |

\*\*\* Snacks will be served \*\*\*