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Technical Assistance for Support to Mechanism for Monitoring Turkey's Greenhouse Gas Emissions

COP22 Marrakech – Side Event

International capacity building: from Turkey's experience to implementing the Paris Agreement

Friday 11 November 2016, 16.00-17.00

Delegation Office of Turkey (Del 3)

Background Information

The recent discussion on climate action highlighted that the countries have different capacities to fulfil international commitments and, in general, to manage and carry out adequate measures to mitigate greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. This fact is particularly indicative in many developing countries, where the lack of competencies represents a severe barrier to the establishment of national mechanisms for monitoring and reporting GHG emissions. In this context, it is not surprising that capacity building on measuring, reporting and verifying GHG emissions is considered a pillar of the Paris Agreement, as emphasized by the creation of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building.

The European Union has been a pioneer in promoting programs and projects focused on transfer of know-how in the sectors of climate governance, mitigation and adaptation. Among others, the EU, together with the Republic of Turkey, is co-financing the project "Technical Assistance for Support to Mechanism for Monitoring Turkey's Greenhouse Gas Emissions" (TASK-GHG) that has reached its second year of implementation. It is strengthening existing capacities in Turkey to fully implement a monitoring mechanism of GHG emissions in line with the EU Monitoring Mechanism Regulation 525/2013, and better fulfil its reporting requirements to the UNFCCC, including national GHG inventories, National Communications and Biennial Reports.

Event description

The side event "International capacity building: from Turkey's experience to implementing the Paris Agreement" takes place at COP22 in Marrakech on Friday 11 November, hosted at the Delegation Office of Turkey. Starting from the ongoing TASK-GHG project in Turkey, and taking into consideration other capacity building activities conducted in different countries, this event will promote dialogue on strategies for improving national competencies on monitoring and reporting GHG emissions. Furthermore, the event offers an occasion to share experiences and best practices in support of national institutions involved in climate governance, and examine potential opportunities to increase collaboration and synergies among cross-sector stakeholders.

Speakers

Christian Melis: Team Leader/Climate Change Expert TASK-GHG project

Domenico Gaudioso: Head, Atmosphere and Climate Service at ISPRA - Scientific Director TASK-GHG project

Tugba Icmeli: Chief of Division, Department of Climate Change, Ministry of Environment and Urbanisation of the Republic of Turkey

Damiano Borgogno: UNDP/UNEP Global Support Program for National Communications and Biennial Update Reports

Michael Gillenwater: Dean and Executive Director of the GHG Management Institute – Key Expert GHG Inventory TASK-GHG project

Agenda

- Introduction and presentation of the speakers
- TASK-GHG project - Technical Assistance for Support to Mechanism for Monitoring Turkey's Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Lessons learned from the implementation of the TASK-GHG project
- Stakeholders' perception of TASK-GHG project: feedbacks and expected results
- Experiences from the UNDP/UNEP Global Support Program for NCs and BURs
- How to increase capacity building effectiveness and scale: The Coalition on Paris Agreement Capacity Building
- Open debate

Refreshments will be offered by the Republic of Turkey at the conclusion of the event.