Mapping UNFCCC REDD+: a visual guide to the systems and structures supporting REDD+ within the UNFCCC

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1. Foundations of REDD+

Developing country Parties are encouraged to contribute to mitigation actions in the forest sector by undertaking the following activities, as deemed appropriate by each Party and in accordance with their respective capabilities and national circumstances:

(a) Reducing emissions from deforestation
(b) Reducing emissions from forest degradation
(c) Sustainable management of forests
(d) Enhancement of forest carbon stocks
(e) Conservation of forest carbon stocks

REDD+ activities should be implemented in phases, beginning with the development of national strategies or action plans, policies and measures, and capacity-building, followed by the implementation of national policies and measures and national strategies or action plans that could involve further capacity-building, technology development and transfer and results-based demonstration activities, and evolving into results-based actions that should be fully measured, reported and verified (1/COP.16. Par.73)

Estimates of reductions or increases of emissions should be results based, demonstrable, transparent and verifiable, and estimated consistently over time (2/COP.13 Annex Par.2)

REDD+ activities should be carried out in accordance with appendix I to decision 1/COP.16, and that the safeguards referred to in paragraph 2 of appendix I to decision 1/COP.16 should be promoted and supported (1/COP.16. Par.69)

(a) Contribute to the achievement of the objective set out in Article 2 of the Convention
(b) Contribute to the fulfilment of the commitments set out in Article 4, par.3, of the Convention
(c) Be country-driven and be considered options available to Parties
(d) Be consistent with the objectives of environmental integrity and take into account the multiple functions of forests and other ecosystems
(e) Be undertaken in accordance with national development priorities, objectives and circumstances and capabilities and should respect sovereignty
(f) Be results-based
(g) Be supported by adequate and predictable financial and technology support, including support for capacity-building
(h) Be consistent with the adaptation needs of the country
(i) Be implemented in the context of sustainable development and reducing poverty, while responding to climate change
(j) Be consistent with Parties’ national sustainable development needs and goals
2. Design Elements of REDD+ Necessary to Obtain and Receive Results-based Finance
2 (a). National Strategy or Action Plan

To obtain and receive results-based finance, developing country Parties should have a national strategy or action plan (2/CP.17, Par.64; 1/CP.16, Par.71).

The information hub on the web platform on the UNFCCC website will contain, as reported through the appropriate channels under the Convention, a link to the national strategy or action plan, as appropriate (9/CP.15, Par.9 and 11).

Parties, organizations and the private sector are encouraged to take action to reduce the drivers of deforestation and forest degradation (15/CP.19, Par.5).

All Parties, relevant organizations, and the private sector and other stakeholders are encouraged to continue their work to address drivers of deforestation and forest degradation and to share the results of their work on this matter, including via the Web Platform on the UNFCCC website (11/CP.19, Par.4).

Involvement of Diverse Stakeholders

Drivers of deforestation and forest degradation have many causes, and actions to address these drivers are unique to countries’ national circumstances, capacities and capabilities (15/CP.19, Par.2).

When developing and implementing national strategies or action plans, address the drivers of deforestation and forest degradation, land tenure issues, forest governance and gender considerations, and REDD+ safeguards, ensuring the full and effective participation of relevant stakeholders, including indigenous peoples and local communities (1/CP.16, Par.72).

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Identify drivers of deforestation and forest degradation resulting in emissions and also the means to address these (4/CP.15, Par.1).

Identify activities within the country that result in reduced emissions and increased removals, and stabilization of forest carbon stocks (4/CP.15, Par.1).

Address, when developing and implementing national strategies or action plans, the drivers of deforestation and forest degradation (1/CP.16, Par.72).

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Drivers of Deforestation and Forest Degradation

Encouraged to take note of the information from on-going and existing work on addressing the drivers of deforestation and forest degradation by developing country Parties and relevant organizations and stakeholders (15/CP.19, Par.5).

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2 (b). Safeguard Information Systems

Safeguard Information Systems

Guidelines for Developing Country Parties

Promote and support the following REDD+ safeguards when undertaking REDD+ activities:
- (1/CP.16, Par.69 and Par.2 of Appendix 1)

That actions complement or are consistent with the objectives of national forest programmes and relevant international conventions and agreements

The full and effective participation of relevant stakeholders, in particular indigenous peoples and local communities

The frequency of subsequent presentations of this summary of information should be consistent with the provisions for submissions of national communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention and, on a voluntary basis, via the web platform on the UNFCCC website (12/CP.17, Par.5)

Be consistent with the guidance in decision 1/CP.16, appendix 1, paragraph 1

Policy approaches and positive incentives for mitigation actions in the forest sector can promote poverty alleviation and biodiversity benefits, ecosystem resilience and the linkages between adaptation and mitigation, and should promote and support the REDD+ safeguards (12/CP.17, Par. “Also recognizing”)

Develop a system for providing information on how REDD+ safeguards are being addressed and respected throughout the implementation of REDD+ activities (12/CP.17, Par.71)

Be transparent and flexible to allow for improvements over time

Provide transparent and consistent information that is accessible by all relevant stakeholders and updated on a regular basis

Non-Carbon Benefits

- Be country-driven and implemented at the national level
- Build upon existing systems, as appropriate

Actions to reduce displacement of emissions

Actions to address the risks of reversals

Respect for the knowledge and rights of indigenous peoples and members of local communities, by taking into account relevant international obligations, national circumstances and laws, and noting that the United Nations General Assembly has adopted the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

The implementation of REDD+ safeguards and information on how these safeguards are being addressed and respected should support national strategies or action plans and be included in, where appropriate, all phases of REDD+ Implementation (12/CP.17, Par.1)

The information hub on the web platform on the UNFCCC website will contain, as reported through the appropriate channels under the Convention, the summary of information on how all of the REDD+ safeguards are being addressed and respected (9/CP.19, Par.9 and 11)

Provide a summary of information on how all of the REDD+ safeguards are being addressed and respected throughout the implementation of the activities (12/CP.17, Par.3)

Provide this summary periodically and include it in national communications, consistent with relevant decisions of the COP on guidelines on national communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention, or communication channels agreed by the COP (12/CP.17, Par.4)

Start providing this summary of information in national communication or communication channel, including via the web platform of the UNFCCC (on a voluntary basis), after the start of the implementation of REDD+ activities (12/CP.19, Par.4)

Could also provide, on a voluntary basis, this summary of information via the web platform on the UNFCCC website (12/CP.15, Par.5)

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Developing countries seeking to obtain and receive results-based payments should provide the most recent summary of information on how all of the REDD+ safeguards have been addressed and respected before they can receive results-based payments (9/CP.19, Par.4)

Regardless of the source or type of financing, REDD+ activities should be consistent with the relevant provisions included in decision 1/CP.16, including the REDD+ safeguards (2/CP.17, Par.63)
Parties, in particular developed country Parties, and relevant international organizations are invited to support capacity-building in relation to the development and assessment of FEELs and/or FRLs, taking into account the status of the Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (13/CP.17, Par.8).

Each submission referred to in decision 12/CP.17, Par.13, shall be subject to technical assessment (13/CP.17, Par.1).
(d). National Forest Monitoring Systems

To obtain and receive results-based finance, developing country Parties should have a robust and transparent NFMS for the monitoring and reporting of REDD+ activities, with, if appropriate, subnational monitoring and reporting as an interim measure (2/CP.17. Par.64 : 1/CP.16. Par.71)

The information hub on the web platform on the UNFCCC website will contain, as reported through the appropriate channels under the Convention, information on the NFMS, as provided in the technical annex referred to in decision 14/CP.19 (9/CP.19. Par.9 and 11)

Use a combination of remote sensing and ground-based forest carbon inventory approaches for estimating anthropogenic forest-related GHG emissions by sources and removals by sinks, forest carbon stocks and forest area changes (4/CP.15. Par.1)

NFMS may provide, as appropriate, relevant information for national systems for the provision of information on how REDD+ safeguards are addressed and respected (11/CP.19. Par.5)

Provide estimates that are transparent, consistent, as far as possible accurate, and that reduce uncertainties, taking into account national capabilities and capacities (4/CP.15. Par.1)

Take into account, in the development of NFMS, the guidance provided in 4/CP.15 and be guided by the most recent IPCC guidance and guidelines, as adopted or encouraged by the COP, as appropriate, as a basis for estimating anthropogenic forest-related GHG emissions by sources, and removals by sinks, forest carbon stocks, and forest carbon stock and forest–area changes (11/CP.19. Par.2)

Are transparent and their results are available and suitable for review as agreed by the COP (4/CP.15. Par.1)

Provide data and information that are transparent, consistent over time, and are suitable for measuring, reporting and verifying anthropogenic forest-related emissions by sources and removals by sinks, forest carbon stocks, and forest carbon stock and forest–area changes resulting from the implementation of REDD+ activities, consistent with guidance on measuring, reporting and verifying nationally appropriate mitigation actions by developing country Parties agreed by the COP (11/CP.19. Par.3)

To develop, according to national circumstances and capabilities, robust and transparent NFMS for the monitoring and reporting of REDD+ activities, with, if appropriate, subnational monitoring and reporting as an interim measure (4/CP.15. Par.1 ; 1/CP.16. Par.71)

NFMS should:
(11/CP.19. Par.4)

Build upon existing systems, as appropriate

Be flexible and allow for improvement

Enable the assessment of different types of forest in the country, including natural forest, as defined by the Party

Reflect, as appropriate, the phased-approach as referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraphs 73 and 74

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2 (e). Measurement, Reporting and Verification
3. Implementation Elements of the Warsaw Framework for REDD+
3 (a). REDD+ Finance

To obtain and receive results-based finance, REDD+ actions should be fully measured, reported, and verified, and developing country Parties should have the following elements:

1. A national strategy or action plan
2. A system for providing information on how the REDD+ safeguards are being addressed and respected throughout the implementation of REDD+ activities
3. A robust and transparent national forest monitoring system for the monitoring and reporting of REDD+ activities, with, if appropriate, subnational monitoring and reporting as an interim measure
4. Developing countries seeking to obtain and receive results-based payments should provide the most recent summary of information on how all of the REDD+ safeguards have been addressed and respected before they can receive results-based payments

Results-based finance provided to developing country Parties for the full implementation of REDD+ activities that is new, additional and predictable may come from a wide variety of sources, public and private, bilateral and multilateral, including alternative sources.

Regardless of the source or type of financing, REDD+ activities should be consistent with the relevant provisions included in decision 1/CMP.16, including the REDD+ safeguards.

The Green Climate Fund is requested, when providing results-based finance, to apply the methodological guidelines consistent with decisions 4/CMP.15, 5/CMP.16, 2/CMP.17, 12/CMP.17 and 13/CMP.19 to 15/CMP.19, as well as 9/CMP.19, in order to improve the effectiveness and coordination of results-based finance.

Entities financing REDD+ activities are encouraged to provide results-based finance for the phased implementation of REDD+ actions.

The progression of developing country Parties towards results-based actions occurs in the context of the provision of adequate and predictable support for all phases of REDD+ actions and activities.
3 (b). Coordination of Support for the Implementation of REDD+ Activities

**Coordination of Support for the Implementation of REDD+ Activities**

- **National Entities or Focal Points**
  - Interested Parties are invited to designate, in accordance with national circumstances and the principles of sovereignty, a national entity or focal point to serve as a liaison with the secretariat and the relevant bodies under the Convention, as appropriate, on the coordination of support for the full implementation of activities and elements referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraphs 70, 71 and 73, including different policy approaches, such as joint mitigation and adaptation, and to inform the secretariat accordingly (10/CP.19. Par.1).

- **National entities or focal points, Parties and relevant entities financing REDD+ activities, are encouraged to meet on a voluntary basis, in conjunction with the first sessional period meetings of the subsidiary bodies, in order to discuss the needs and functions identified (10/CP.19. Par.4)**

- **At these meetings, participants may seek input from relevant bodies established under the Convention, international and regional organizations, the private sector, indigenous peoples and civil society in undertaking their work and invite the representatives of these entities to participate as observers in these meetings (10/CP.19. Par.5)**

- **Parties are requested to ensure coordination of REDD+ activities, including the related support, particularly at the national level (1/CP.16. Par.7)**

- **Needs and functions identified to address issues related to the coordination of support for the implementation of activities and elements referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraphs 70, 71 and 73, include: (10/CP.19. Par.3)**

- **(a) Strengthens, consolidate and enhance the sharing of relevant information, knowledge, experiences and good practices, at the international level, taking into account national experiences and, as appropriate, traditional knowledge and practices**

- **(b) Identify and consider possible needs and gaps in coordination of support, taking into consideration relevant information communicated under the Convention and other multilateral and bilateral arrangements**

- **(c) Consider and provide opportunities to exchange information between the relevant bodies established under the Convention and other multilateral and bilateral entities financing and funding the activities and elements referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraphs 70, 71 and 73, related to actions and support provided and received for these activities**

- **(d) Provide information and any recommendations, as appropriate, considering elements (a–e), to improve the effectiveness of finance, including results-based finance, technology and capacity-building for developing country Parties when implementing the activities and elements referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraphs 70, 71 and 73, to the COP**

- **(e) Provide information and recommendations, as appropriate, on improving the effectiveness of finance to entities including bilateral, multilateral and private sector entities that finance and implement the activities and elements referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraphs 70, 71 and 73, and on how these activities, including results-based actions, can be more effectively supported**

- **National entities or focal points, Parties and relevant entities financing REDD+ activities are encouraged at their first meeting to consider procedural matters to facilitate the discussions (10/CP.19. Par.7)**

- **(g) Exchange information on the development of different approaches, including joint mitigation and adaptation approaches for the integral and sustainable management of forests**

- **(f) Encourage other entities providing support for the activities and elements referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraphs 70, 71 and 73, to enhance efficiency and coordination and to seek consistency with the operating entities of the financial mechanism of the Convention, as appropriate**

- **Relevant international organizations, non-governmental organizations and stakeholders are urged to integrate and coordinate their efforts in order to avoid duplication and enhance synergy with regard to activities relating to decision 2/CP.13 (4/CP.15. Par.9)**

- **The SBI is requested, at the latest, at its forty-seventh session (Nov.–Dec. 2017) to review the outcomes of these meetings, to consider existing institutional arrangements or the need for potential governance alternatives for the coordination of support for the implementation of REDD+ activities, and to make recommendations on these matters to the COP at its twenty–third session (Nov.–Dec. 2017) (10/CP.19. Par.9)**

- **These national entities or focal points, Parties and relevant entities are encouraged to hold their first meeting in conjunction with the second sessional period meetings of the subsidiary bodies in 2014 and thereafter annually in conjunction with the first sessional period meetings of the subsidiary bodies (10/CP.19. Par.5)**

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3 (c). Information Hub

An information hub will be established on the web platform on the UNFCCC website as a means to publish information on the results of REDD+ activities and corresponding results-based payments (9/CP.19, Par.9).

The information hub aims to increase transparency of information on results-based actions, on the corresponding payments, as well as information related to the elements referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 71, without creating additional requirements for developing country Parties (9/CP.19, Par.10).

The information on results-based payments is to be inserted on the information hub in consultation with the developing country Party concerned, taking into full account decision 10/CP.19, paragraph 2 (9/CP.19, Par.13).

The information on results-based payments should be linked to the same results reflected on any other relevant future system that may be developed under the Convention (9/CP.19, Par.17).

The information hub will contain, as reported through the appropriate channels under the Convention: (9/CP.19, Par.11)

(a) The results for each relevant period expressed in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent per year and a link to the technical report referred to in decision 14/CP.19, paragraph 14

(b) The assessed forest reference emission level(s) and/or forest reference level(s) expressed in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent per year and a link to the final report of the technical assessment team referred to in decision 13/CP.19, paragraph 18

(c) The summary of information on how all of the REDD+ safeguards are being addressed and respected, as referred to in decisions 12/CP.19 and 12/CP.17, chapter I

(d) A link to the national strategy or action plan as referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 71(a), as appropriate

(e) Information on the national forest monitoring system, as provided in the technical annex referred to in decision 14/CP.19

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3 (d): General Commitments of Support

**General Commitments of Support**

- Parties are invited to further strengthen and support ongoing efforts to reduce emissions from deforestation and forest degradation on a voluntary basis (2/CP.13. Par.1)
- All Parties, in a position to do so, are encouraged to support capacity-building, provide technical assistance, facilitate the transfer of technology to improve, inter alia, data collection, estimation of emissions from deforestation and forest degradation, monitoring and reporting, and address the institutional needs of developing countries to estimate and reduce emissions from deforestation and forest degradation (2/CP.13. Par.2)
- Parties, in particular Parties included in Annex II to the Convention, are invited to mobilize resources to support efforts in relation to the actions referred to in par. 1–3 of 2/CP.13, such as efforts, including demonstration activities, to address the drivers of deforestation (2/CP.13. Par.3)
- All Parties in a position to do so are encouraged to support and strengthen the capacities of developing countries to collect and access, analyse and interpret data, in order to develop estimates (4/CP.15. Par.4)
- Parties, in particular developed country Parties, are urged to support, through multilateral and bilateral channels, the development of national strategies or action plans, policies and measures and capacity-building, followed by the implementation of national policies and measures and national strategies or action plans that could involve further capacity-building, technology development and transfer and results-based demonstration activities, including consideration of the safeguards referred to in par. 2 of appendix I to decision 1/CP.16, taking into account the relevant provisions on finance including those relating to reporting on support (1/CP.16. Par.76)
- Parties in a position to do so and relevant international organizations are invited to enhance capacity-building in relation to using the most recent IPCC guidance and guidelines, as adopted or encouraged by the COP, taking into account the work of the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (4/CP.15. Par.1c and 5)
4. REDD+ Web Platform

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**Information Hub**

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- The information hub aims to increase transparency of information on results-based actions, on the corresponding payments, as well as information related to the elements referred to in decision 7/CP.17, paragraph 71, without creating additional requirements for developing countries Parties (9/COP.19, Par.10).

- The information on results-based payments is to be inserted on the information hub in consultation with the developing country Party concerned, taking into account decision 10/CP.11A, paragraph 2 of decision 7/CP.17, Par.13.

- The information hub will contain, as reported through the appropriate channels under the Convention (9/COP.19, Par.13).

- The information hub will also contain information on each of these results (a-e), including the quantity of results for which payments were received, expressed in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalents per year, and the necessity of meeting the requirements of decision 14/CP.19, paragraph 14.

- A link to the national strategy or action plan as referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 73(d), for appropriate purposes (9/COP.19, Par.13).

- The frequency of subsequent presentations of this summary of information should be flexible in order to accommodate requests from Parties (9/COP.19, Par.13).

Developing country Parties should provide summary information on how all of the REDD+ safeguards are being addressed and respected throughout the implementation of the activities (9/COP.19, Par.3).

This summary of information should be provided, on a voluntary basis, via the Web Platform on the UNFCCC website (12/COP.19, Par.3).

Developing country Parties should start providing this summary of information on their national communication or action plan, and communications channel, including via the Web Platform on the UNFCCC website, taking into account paragraph 3 of decision 12/COP.9, after the start of the implementation of REDD+ activities (12/COP.19, Par.4).

**Assessment**

- The assessment team will prepare a final report within four weeks following the response of the Party that submitted the FREL and or FREL and report will be sent to the secretariat for publication via the web platform on the UNFCCC website. The report will contain an assessment FREL and or FREL and, if appropriate, areas identified for further technical improvements, and capacity-building needs if noted by the Party concerned, for the construction of future FREL and or FRILs, incorporating the Party’s response (13/CP.19, Annex, Par.16).

- Each submission referred to in decision 12/CP.17, Par.13, shall be subject to a technical assessment (13/CP.19, Par.1).

- Reporting on demonstration activities should include a description of the activities and their effectiveness, and may include other information (12/CP.13 Annex, Par.16).

**Drivers of Deforestation and Forest Degradation**

- All Parties, relevant organizations, and the private sector and other stakeholders are encouraged to continue their work to address drivers of deforestation and forest degradation and to share the results of their work on this matter, including via the Web Platform on the UNFCCC website (12/COP.19, Par.6).

**Safeguard Information Systems**

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**Measurement, Reporting and Verification**

- The LUHUEP experts referred to in para. 10 will develop, under their collective responsibility, a technical report to be published by the secretariat via the web platform on the UNFCCC website, containing (14/COP.19, Par.14).

- Results for each relevant period expressed in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent per year and a link to the technical report referred to in decision 14/CP.19, paragraph 14.

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- The summary of information in this part of the REDD+ activities, being addressed and respected, referred to in paragraphs 12/CP.19 and 12/CP.17, chapter 1.
Annex: Other Decisions Impacting REDD+ - International Consultation and Analysis

The COP will conduct international consultations and analysis (ICA) of biennial reports under the SRU in a manner that is non-intrusive, non-punitive and respectful of national sovereignty; the ICA will aim to increase transparency of mitigation actions and their effects through analysis by technical experts in consultation with the Party concerned and through a facilitative sharing of views, and will result in a summary report (1/CP.16, Par.63). The COP invites Parties to nominate technical experts with the relevant qualifications to the UNFCCC roster of experts (20/CP.19, Par.2).

A TTE shall be composed of experts nominated to the UNFCCC roster of experts, taking into consideration the expertise needed to cover the areas of information contained in the BUR, and as outlined in paragraph 3(a) of annex IV to decision 2/CP.17, taking into account the national circumstances of the Party concerned (Par.3).

The technical analysis of BURs shall result in an individual summary report for each BUR submitted and analysed (Par.6).

Small island developing states and the least developed country Parties may undergo ICA as a group of Parties at their discretion (2/CP.17, Par.58(i)).

The Team of Technical Experts shall:

- See Par.7 and Par.9-14 of annex for further details regarding the technical analysis of BURs

The COP will revise the modalities and guidelines prescribed herein based on experiences gained in the first round of ICA, no later than 2017 (1/CP.17, Par.58(ii)).

The frequency of participation in subsequent rounds of ICA by developing country Parties, based on their respective capabilities and national circumstances, and special flexibility for small island developing states and the least developed country Parties, will be determined by the frequency of the submission of biennial update reports (2/CP.17, Par.56(iii)).

The first rounds of ICA will be conducted for developing country Parties, commencing within six months of the submission of the first round of biennial update reports by developing country Parties (2/CP.17, Par.58(iii)).

The COP aims to facilitate the universal participation of developing country Parties in the ICA process (2/CP.17, Par.60). Developed country Parties and other developed Parties included in Annex II to the Convention are encouraged to provide new and additional financial resources at the agreed full cost in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 3, of the Convention and relevant decisions of the COP, with a view to supporting any reporting needed for ICA (20/CP.19, Par.6).

The SRU shall, at regular intervals, convene a workshop for the facilitative exchange of views, open to all Parties, for all Parties for which there is a biennial update report and a final summary report. Parties shall be allowed to submit written questions in advance (Par.6).

The COP will provide logistical support for the biennial update report (20/CP.19, Par.2).

The facilitative exchange of views among Parties will consist of a one- to three-hour session for each Party or group of Parties. The facilitative exchange of views may be held individually or in a group of up to five Parties. The session will consist of a brief presentation by the Party or Parties concerned on their biennial update report, followed by oral questions and answers among Parties (Par.7).

(a) identify the extent to which the elements of information listed in par.3(a) of the guidelines contained in decision 2/CP.17, annex IV, are included in the BUR of the Party concerned

(b) Undertake a technical analysis of information contained in the BUR as outlined in the “UNFCCC biennial update reporting guidelines for Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention” contained in annex III to decision 2/CP.17, and any additional technical information that may be provided by the Party concerned.

The COP process will consist of the following two steps:

1. a technical analysis of the biennial update reports (BURs) submitted by Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention either as a summary of parts of their national communication in the year in which the national communication is presented or as a stand-alone update report by a team of technical experts in consultation with the Party, and will result in a summary report. The information considered should include the national greenhouse gas inventory report, information on mitigation actions, including a description of such actions, an analysis of their impacts, and the associated methodologies and assumptions, the progress made in their implementation and information on domestic measurement, reporting and verification, and on support received (Par.3(a)).

2. a facilitative sharing of views, which will have as input the biennial update report and summary report (Par.58(i)).
Annex: Other decisions Impacting REDD+ - Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions

Developing countries, consistent with their capabilities and the level of support provided for reporting, should submit biennial update reports containing updates of national greenhouse gas inventories, including a national inventory report and information on mitigation actions, and needs and support received (1/C.7/P.96/Rev.1).

The first biennial update report submitted by non-Annex I Parties shall cover, at a minimum, the inventory for the calendar year no more than four years prior to the date of the submission, or more recent years if information is available, and that subsequent biennial update reports shall cover a calendar year that does not precede the submission date by more than four years (1/C.1/Rev.2).

Non-Annex I Parties shall submit a biennial update report every two years, either as a summary of parts of their national communication in the year in which the national communication is submitted or as a stand-alone update report with the information provided in both the national communication and the update report. Countries, which are developing States may submit biennial update reports at their discretion (2/C.7/P.1/Rev.2).

The COP will recognize NAMAs of developing countries in a separate section of the registry (1/C.16/P.53).

The secretariat will record and regularly update in the registry the information provided by Parties on: (a) NAMAs seeking international support; (b) Support available from developed country Parties for these actions; (c) Support provided for NAMAs (1/C.16/P.53).

The registry should be developed as a dynamic, web-based platform managed by a dedicated team in the secretariat (2/C.7/P.41/Rev.3).

Participation in the registry shall be voluntary and only information submitted expressly for inclusion in the registry should be recorded (2/C.7/P.41/Rev.3).

The registry will facilitate the matching of actions seeking international support with support available by providing and directing information to Parties that submitted information on NAMAs seeking support, and Parties and entities that have submitted information on the support available (2/C.7/P.53).

The financial mechanism may make use of information available in the registry when considering the provision of support for the preparation and implementation of individual NAMAs which are seeking support (2/C.7/P.53).

The secretariat will record and regularly update in the registry the information on individual NAMAs seeking international support (2/C.7/P.41/Rev.3).

Developing country Parties are invited to submit, as appropriate, to the secretariat the following information on individual NAMAs seeking international support: (a) Description of the mitigation action and the national implementing entity, including contact information; (b) The expected time frame for the implementation of the mitigation action; (c) The estimated full cost and/or incremental cost of the implementation of the mitigation action; (d) The amount and type of support (financial, technology and capacity-building) required to prepare and/or implement the mitigation action; (e) Other indicators of implementation; (f) Other relevant information, including the co-benefits for local sustainable development, if information thereon exists.

Developing country Parties are invited to submit to the secretariat information on other individual NAMAs, to be recorded in a separate section of the registry, for their recognition (2/C.7/P.41/Rev.3).

Developed country Parties, the entities or entities entrusted with the operation of the financial mechanism, multilateral, bilateral and other public donors, and private and non-governmental organizations that are in position to do so, are invited to submit to the secretariat, as appropriate, the following information on financial technology and capacity-building support available and/or provided for the preparation and/or implementation of NAMAs (2/C.7/P.41/Rev.3).

(a) The types of action that may be supported and the process for the provision of support
(b) Whether the support available is for the preparation and/or implementation of NAMAs
(c) The status of delivery
(d) The source of the support, including, where applicable, the name of the developed country Parties in question and the executing entity channeling the support, including contact information
(e) The amount and type of support available, and whether it is financial (e.g., grant or facility loans), technology and/or capacity-building support.