

CTCN Regional Forum for National Designated Entities (NDEs) from Africa

Jointly with UNEP- DTU

**TNA project: National Coordinators of Africa Region
and the UNFCCC /TEC: Regional Technical Expert Meeting**

During

Africa Climate Week (APRIL 9TH -13TH)

NAIROBI, KENYA

VENUE

**United Nations Complex
United Nations Avenue, off Limuru Road
Gigiri, Kenya**

**PROPOSAL TO ORGANIZE A REGIONAL TECHNICAL EXPERT MEETING FOR AFRICA ALONG WITH
THE CTCN NDE FORUM DURING AFRICA CLIMATE WEEK**

Background: The Climate Technology Center and Network is an implementation arm of the technology mechanism. The Centre promotes the accelerated transfer of environmentally sound technologies for low carbon and climate resilient development at the request of developing countries. CTCN provides technology solutions, capacity building and advice on policy, legal and regulatory frameworks tailored to the needs of individual countries. As a part of its mandate and as one of its activities it organizes **Regional Forum for the National Designated Entities** from a specific region or a sub region on an annual basis. The objective of these forums is to share experiences and best practices from CTCN technical assistance in the region, strengthening collaborations and enhancing linkages with other mechanism under the convention and create networking opportunities through showcasing innovative climate technologies that respond to country priorities and support them in meeting their Nationally Determined Contributions.

Technology Executive Committee (TEC) is the policy arm of the Technology Mechanism. It focuses on identifying policies that can accelerate the development and transfer of low-emission and climate resilient technologies. Each year, the Technology Executive Committee develops key messages and recommendations on climate technology policies. The policy options represent one of the key outcomes of the technical examination process and highlight replicable and scalable good practices, approaches and technologies with significant mitigation potential, which could be tapped in the period up to 2020 in many countries across the world.

COP decision 1/CP.21 called for strengthening of the existing technical examination of opportunities with high mitigation potential and associated adaptation, health and sustainable development co-benefits in the period 2016–2020 taking into account latest scientific knowledge. The decision requested the UNFCCC secretariat to organize the technical

examination process on mitigation and disseminate its results, including by organizing regular technical expert meetings on mitigation focusing on specific policies, practices and actions representing best practice and with the potential to be scalable and replicable.

Parties at COP 23 recognized that the technical examination process and the work of the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action can play an important role in the pre-2020 implementation and ambition. The TEP is also one of instruments in the preparatory phase of the Talanoa Dialogue. The Talanoa Dialogue Approach (CP1/.23 Annex II – Informal note by the Presidencies of COP 22 and COP 23) states that the preparatory phase will seek to build a strong evidence-based foundation for the political phase and the dialogue will be conducted in a manner that promotes enhanced ambition. The approach invites both Parties and non-Party stakeholders to cooperate in convening local, national, regional or global events in support of the dialogue and to prepare and make available relevant inputs.

Further COP 23 decision as per FCCC /CP/2017/L.2; para 9 invites the Parties and non-Party stakeholders to organize regional technical expert meetings (TEM), building on existing regional climate action events, as appropriate, with a view to examining specific finance, technology and capacity-building resources necessary to scale up actions in regional contexts, including through regional mitigation and adaptation initiatives, and to provide their reports thereon to the secretariat as input to the technical examination processes. The High-Level Champions have already proposed "Industry Sector" as the topic for 2018 for TEMs.

Context: CTCN is organizing its Regional Forum for Nationally Designated Entities of Africa, jointly with UNEP- DTU, TNA project for National Coordinators of Africa Region, on 9-10 April 2018, in Nairobi, Kenya. The Regional Forum is during the Africa Climate Week, along with the Africa Carbon Forum. During this Regional Forum, CTCN would be inviting NDEs from 47 African countries, TNA coordinators for Phase 2 countries, select network members and NDEs from Annex 1 countries. CTCN is also supporting the NDEs to participate in the Africa Carbon Forum (11-13th April); for full week. In this context, **it is proposed to organize a one-day Technical Expert Meeting (TEM) focusing on Industrial Energy Efficiency in Africa during the Africa Carbon Forum. CTCN is willing to bring in experts / NDEs to share their experience on the topic, drawing on from the various technical assistance request on industrial sector in Africa.** It is further proposed that the one-day Regional TEM could be organized either on the 12th April along with (just after) the Ministerial meeting or on the 13th April 2018.

The proposed frame work of agenda is as below:

Agenda

9-10, April 2018, Nairobi, Kenya

Objectives

- Present the latest development of CTCN services to developing countries in the region and intra-regional sharing of experiences and best practices from technical assistance in Africa.
- Enhanced linkage between the CTCN support and the Technology Need Assessments (TNAs)/ Technology Action Plans (TAPs).

- Provide inputs to TEP and Talanoa Dialogue in a manner that promotes enhanced ambition.

Participants

- National Designated Entities from all African countries.
- TNA National Coordinators from Phase II and selected Phase I countries
- Climate technologies experts from the CTCN Consortium, the Climate Technology Network, and NDEs from Annex 1 countries
- Representatives from the Host Country Government, CTCN Advisory Board, UN Environment, UDP, UNFCCC Secretariat, Technology Executive Committee.
- Industry Associations and other relevant stakeholders as in the Africa Carbon Forum

Methodology

- Plenary presentations and discussions
- Break out groups discussions and exercises
- Bilateral meetings between the CTCN team and NDEs, Network Members, NDEs and TNA National Coordinators, etc.

Agenda

DAY-I	9 th April 2018 : CTCN
0830 -0900	Registration
0900-1000	Opening session: Master of Ceremony: Rajiv Garg <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome Participants: Rajiv Garg - Inaugural address – Ligia Noronha, Director Economy Division, UN Environment - Special Address – ICRAF DG - Special address - CTCN Advisory Board representative - Key note address: Kenya - Objectives of the Program- Mr Jukka Uosukainen, Director, CTCN - Group Photo
1000-1030	Tea/Coffee
1030-1200	Session 1: Institutional settings of the Technology Mechanisms under the Convention <p style="text-align: center;">Chair: CTCN AB Member</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to CTCN (mandate, updates on achievements) – Mr. Rajiv Garg, CTCN - Technology Mechanism and COP decisions – UNFCCC/ TEC - GCF Board and COP decisions on Technology and Finance linkage – GCF Q&A and discussion
1200-1300	Lunch

1300-1400	<p>Session 2: Climate technologies priorities in the region</p> <p>Chair: Federico, CTCN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of CTCN assistance in the region along with analysis of Technology Priorities from TNA and INDCs- CTCN - Donor perspective of Regional Priorities: NDE of Annex 1 Country (France) - Q&A and discussion
1400-1530	<p>Session 3 Collaboration between the CTCN and the GCF</p> <p>Chair: Jukka Uosukainen, Director, CTCN</p> <p>Presentation on CTCN technical Assistance related to GCF other collaboration opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ghana: NDE of Ghana • Mauritius: NDE of Mauritius - Introduction on specific ways of collaboration between the CTCN and the GCF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vision to Concept Capacity Building Module: Ms. Giulia Ferrini ○ National System of Innovation (TBD): Mr Rajiv Garg, CTCN
1530- 16000	Tea/Coffee
1600-1700	<p>Session-4: CTCN TA Experience Sharing</p> <p>Chair: Rajiv Garg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Senegal - Namibia - Kenya - ECOWAS TA - Q&A and discussion
1700 -1730	<p>Session 6: Support by Annex 1 Countries NDE of Germany NDE of France (TBD)</p>
DAY-II	10th April 2018 : TNA
09:00-10:30	<p>Inaugural session</p> <p>- Chair: Jorge Rogat, UDP</p> <p>GEF, GCF, African Development Bank, others;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - views on how they see the future perspective of TNAs - what are the demands of the financiers to invest in sound TAPs <p>UNFCCC/TEC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Role of the UNFCCC / TEC in supporting the TNA process and results
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break
10:45 – 12:30	<p>Insights from Technology Action Plan implementation</p> <p>- Chair: Jonathan Duwyn, UN Environment</p> <p>-case 1: Mongolia's Xacbank accessing GCF funding helping local companies cut their greenhouse gas emissions</p>

	<p>-case 2: VOTO Mobile, Ghana, improves agriculture techniques of farmers by providing them a mobile phone service</p> <p>-case 3: Another African country, tbd.</p>
12:30-13:30	Lunch
13:30 -15:00	<p>Group discussions on how to take Technology Action Plans to implementation</p> <p>– Chair: Subash Dhar, UDP</p> <p>All participants join break out groups</p> <p>Participants share experiences on how they attract investments and funding for projects, and examples of how they have managed to get the private sector onboard. Discuss how they can use this experience for moving TAPs into implementation.</p> <p>1 hour group discussion, ½ hour bilateral group discussions (groups join two and two together)</p>
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee break
15:30-17:00	<p>-Chair:</p> <p>Technology Action Plans and monitoring of implementation: Sara Traerup, UDP</p> <p>Q&A and discussions</p>
1700-17:30	<p>Closing remarks</p> <p>Jukka Uosukainen, Director CTCN</p> <p>John Christensen, Director, UDP</p> <p>, UNFCCC</p>