

**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**

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, selected 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 the full week. In this context, **it is organizing a one-day Technical Expert Meeting (TEM) focusing on Industrial Energy Efficiency on 13 April during the Africa Carbon Forum. CTCN will bring in experts / NDEs to share their experience on the topic, drawing on from the various technical assistance request on industrial sector in Africa.**

The proposed framework of agenda is as below:

Agenda **9-10 April 2017, 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 Assessment(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, 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 April 2018: CTCN
08:30-09:00	Registration
09:10-10:00	Opening session: Master of Ceremony: Rajiv Garg <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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
10:00-10:30	Tea/Coffee
10:30-12:00	Session 1: Institutional settings of the Technology Mechanisms under the Convention Chair: CTCN AB Member <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to CTCN (mandate, updates on achievements) – Mr. Rajiv Garg, CTCN - Technology Mechanism and COP decisions – Mr. Vladimir Hecl, TEC - GCF Board and COP decisions on Technology and Finance linkage – GCF Q&A and discussion
12:00-13:00	Lunch
13:00-14:00	Session 2: Climate technologies priorities in the region Chair: Federico, CTCN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of CTCN assistance in the region – A. Traore, CTCN - Analysis of Technology Priorities from TNA and INDCs- ICRAF Q&A and discussion
14:00-15:30	Session 3 Collaboration between the CTCN and other entities Chair: Jukka Uosukainen, Director, CTCN Presentation on CTCN technical Assistance related to GCF other collaboration opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ghana: J. Baffoe, NDE Ghana Presentation on CTCN technical Assistance in collaboration with SACREE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SACREE: K. Reiss 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, CTCN • Zimbabwe: E. Moyo, NDE Zimbabwe
15:30- 16:00	Tea/Coffee
16:00-17:00	Session-4: CTCN TA Experience Sharing Chair: Rajiv Garg <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Namibia - Kenya - ECOWAS Q&A and discussion

DAY-II	10 April 2018: TNA
08:30-09:30	Inaugural session - Opening Chair: Jorge Rogat, UDP

17:00 – 17:30	Session 5: Support by Annex 1 Countries <ul style="list-style-type: none">- NDE of Germany- NDE of France
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	<p>UDP – A summary of the Global GEF TNA project and its deliveries UNFCCC/TEC - Role of the UNFCCC / TEC in supporting the TNA process and results CTCN - Role of the CTCN in supporting the TNA results</p>
09:30 – 10:45	<p>Insights from Technology Action Plan implementation (Demand for funding) Chair: Jonathan Duwyn, UN Environment</p> <p>-case 1: Mongolia's Xacbank accessing GCF funding helping local companies cut their greenhouse gas emissions -case 2: VOTO Mobile, Ghana, improves agriculture techniques of farmers by providing them a mobile phone service -case 3: Kenya, tbd.</p>
10:45-11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 - 12:00	<p>Closing the implementation gap</p> <p>Chair: Sara Traerup, UDP GIZ, IFU, Carbon Trust (all to be confirmed)</p>
12:00-13:00	Lunch
13:00 - 14:00	<p>Matchmaking Some TNA coordinators will be asked to pitch their best project ideas to investors/financiers and seek their feedback on the bankability of these project ideas Chair: Vladimir Hecl, UNFCCC</p>
14:00 -15:30	<p>Group discussions on how to take Technology Action Plans to implementation Chair: Subash Dhar, UDP</p> <p>A presentation on pathways taken by countries to implement their TAPs</p> <p>Participants share experiences on what they perceive as key difficulties in: i) creating an enabling environment for prioritized technologies; ii) mobilizing climate finance; iii) redirecting financing for climate friendly projects; iv) attracting private sector onboard and; monitoring implementation of TAP. Discuss how they can use this experience for moving TAPs into implementation. 1 hour group discussion, ½ hour bilateral group discussions (groups join two and two together)</p>
15:30-15:45	Coffee break
15:45-16:45	<p>Panel discussion on future perspectives of TNAs Chair: Jonathan Duwyn</p> <p>GEF, GCF, UDP, TEC/UNFCCC, CTCN, other Technical Assistance providers</p>
16:45-17:00	<p>Closing remarks</p> <p>Jukka Uosokainen, Director CTCN and John Christensen, Director, UDP</p>