WGIA8

OPENING SESSION SUMMARY

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Welcome Address

- Yusuke Nakamura, Deputy Director, Climate Change Policy Division, MOE Japan
- G8 summit and Major Economies Forum on Energy and Climate recognized, from a scientific view, the need of keeping global temperature rise below 2 °C above pre-industrial level
- Need countermeasures to reduce GHG emissions from countries
- 15th COP, Copenhagen need to combat CC.
- MRV of GHG inventories are essential in the implementation and enhancement of mitigation actions
- Need to develop GHG inventory capacity in developing countries in Asia

Welcome Address

- Syamphone Sengchandala, Director, Climate Change Office, DoE, WREA, Laos
- Welcome to Laos
- WGIA is important in sharing knowledge and experiences on GHG inventories in Asia.
- All participants are enjoined to actively share knowledge and experience in order to effectively achieve aims of the workshop.

Overview of WGIA8

- Junko Akagi, GIO/CGER/NIES
- WGIA & WGIA8 information: objective, organizers, participants
- On-going relevant meetings 2007-2012: UNFCC/KP, IPCC, WGIA, SEA GHG Project, SWGA, JICA, G8
- WGIA8 objectives and workshop flow

WGIA8 Objectives

- > Report on progress made by member countries since the WGIA7,
- Report of their latest inventories (to the extent possible),
- > Discussions on future activities beyond the latest inventories,
- Exchange of MRV-related information, and
- Discussions on the sector-specific issues.

YUSUKE NAKAMURA — JAPAN'S CLIMATE CHANGE POLICIES AND MRV INITIATIVES

- GHG emissions in the world
 - Global CO₂ emissions
 - Projections (developed and developing)
- Importance of MRV
 - G8 Environment Ministers' Meeting (May 2008)
 - Copenhagen Accord
 - AWG-LCA 1oth session (June 2010)
 - Data collection PDCA cycle
 - Japan's initiatives WGIA, SWGA

YUSUKE NAKAMURA — JAPAN'S CLIMATE CHANGE POLICIES AND MRV INITIATIVES

- GHG inventories in Japan
 - Japan's GHG emissions and reduction targets (mid- and long-term)
 - CO₂ emissions trends by sector
 - Factor analysis of GHG emissions trends
- GHG reduction policies in Japan
 - Continuous efforts
 - Challenge 25
 - Bill of Basic Law on Climate Change
 - Mid- and long-term roadmap

Japanese Examples of Actions (Continuous Efforts)

- Annual Inventory
- Submitted 5th National Communication (~2010)
- Kyoto Target Achievement Plan (Revised in 2008)
- Action Plan for Achieving a Low-carbon Society (2008)
- Legislations for energy efficiency for vehicles, electric appliances and factories. (so called "Top Runner System")
- Environmental Assessment Law including GHGs
- Tax for fossil fuel (gasoline price 1.40 US\$/L), E3 or E10 (Trial of Bio Ethanol Gasoline), and Feed in Tariff.
- Transportation: Modal shifts, Efficient Transportation
- Forest Management (Regeneration of neglected forests, Urban Greening)

....etc

Challenge 25

To achieve Japan's Mid-term goal of 25% reduction by 2020 and Long-term goal of 80% reduction by 2050

- All possible policy instruments should be mobilized
- Policy measures will include;
 - Cap & Trade Emissions Trading Scheme
 - Global Warming Tax
 - Utilization of Renewable Energy
 - Promotion of Energy Efficiency
 - Innovative technology development
 - Carbon disclosure
 - Creation of New Business

etc.

SYAMPHONE SENGCHANDALA - LAOS' CLIMATE CHANGE POLICIES

- Institutional framework for national GHG inventory
- Lao PDR's initiatives that complement CC initiatives
- National Strategy on CC –environmental, biodiversity, forestry, environmental education & awareness, renewable energy
- Initiatives on CC
- Next steps

LAO PDR's Initiatives and Programs to Mitigate and Adapt to Climate Change:

- Initial National Communication (INC) in collaboration with UNDP/GEF, 2000
- National Capacity Needs Self Assessment (NCSA) for Global Environment Management under the three Rio Conventions: UNFCCC, UNCCD and UNCBD in collaboration with UNDP/GEF May 2009
- National Adaptation Plan of Action (NAPA) in collaboration with UNDP/GEF May 2009
- Second National Communication under preparation
- Reduction of Emission from Deforestation and Degradation (REDD) Readiness Preparation Planning (R-PP) and Framework-Dept of Forestry under implementation

Discussion

- Institutional support for the Climate
 Change Office in terms of data collection
- Waste a priority sector in the future
- Mutual learning between Thai and Laos inventory teams
- Start to prepare and plan for NC3; proposal for GEF support

DOMINIQUE REVET – UNFCCC SECRETARIAT UPDATES ON NON-ANNEX 1 NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS

- SBI 32 (June 2010, Bonn)
 - Proposal for funding for next NC
 - CGE work programme 2010-2012
 - Information contained in NC of NAI countries
 - Implementation of Art. 12, para. 5 of the Convention
 - Financial and Technical (F&T) support
- SB 33 (Dec 2010, Cancun)

Discussion

- 75-80% completion of GHG inventory tasks for SNC, can start applying for funding for TNC
- Use best available method applicable to the country– revised 1996 guidelines, GPGs, etc.
- CGE training materials in CDs
- CGE to develop new guidelines for NC
- Capacity building for mitigation options (need to be discussed by Parties)

Simon Eggleston – IPCC inventory development

- Providing assistance to users of UNFCCC Guidelines:
 - Datasets (list of FAO data for IPCC Agric and LUCF)
 - Managed lands as proxy to anthropogenic emissions and removals (documentation, time series consistency and good practice)
 - Stock taking for national forest inventories (forest monitoring, stratification, RS, modeling, ground truth, BEF, BCEF, peat)
 - Uncertainty and validation of emission inventories (Q/A guidelines)

Simon Eggleston – IPCC inventory development

- EFDB
 - data collection
 - data meetings for identification, selection and approval
- Software development
 - -2006 Guidelines
- Website Information
 - -FAQ
 - -Presentations
- Future developments

Discussion

- Big changes in LULUCF section in 2006
 Guidelines vs 1996 Revised Guidelines
- Development of MRV Guidelines to be decided by Parties

Thank you!