

Reporting on climate data and information under the Paris Agreement:

A potential opportunity for national statistical offices to get involved

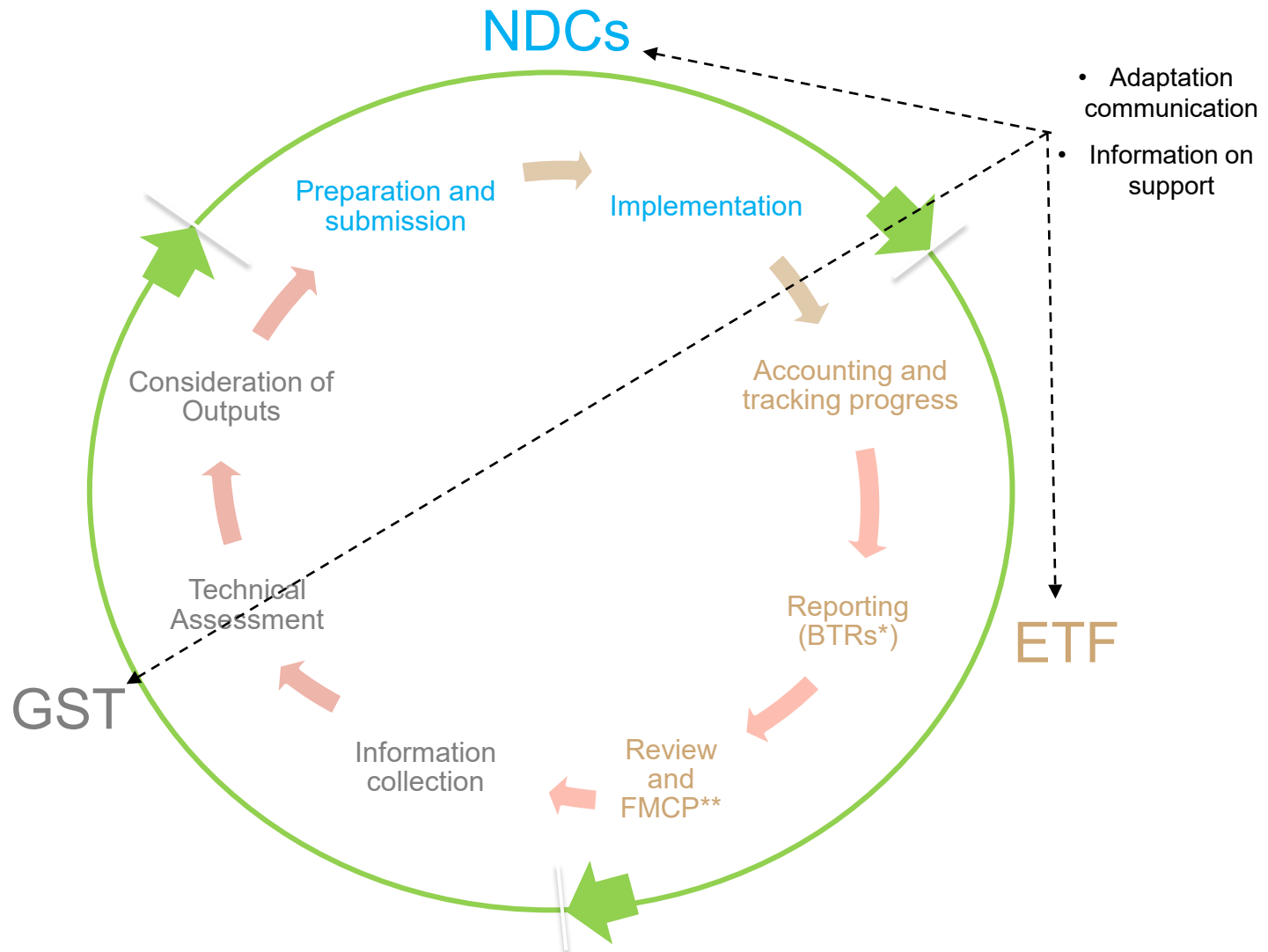
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Processes under the Paris Agreement



*BTRs: Biennial transparency reports

** FMCP: Facilitative, multilateral consideration of progress

Reporting requirements on Climate Change

Central to the ETF under the Paris Agreement are the **Biennial transparency** reports (**BTR**). They:

- must include for all countries a **national GHG inventory report**, using 2006 IPCC guidelines;
- must include for all countries **information necessary to track progress** made in implementing and achieving NDCs;
- could include for all countries information related to **climate change impacts and adaptation**;
- must include for developed countries, and could include for other countries that provide support, information on financial, technology transfer and capacity-building **support provided** to developing countries;
- should include for developing countries information on the **support needed and received**;
- may include a technical annex with results from the implementation of **REDD+ activities** in developing countries.



Institutional Arrangements for Climate Reporting

- The ETF will introduce **enhanced scope and depth of climate data** collection, processing, analysis, compilation and reporting;
 - Strong **institutional arrangements** will be vital to generate a reliable, consistent and continuous flow of data and information;
 - The ETF does **not prescribe the institutional set-up** and arrangements for implementing climate reporting and transparency provisions;
 - Governments have the flexibility to **tailor their institutional arrangements** to their national circumstances, existing organizational mandates and priorities;
 - The level of **NSO participation** in the institutional arrangements for climate reporting and transparency may vary among countries.
 - Many **countries are now assessing** how domestic entities collaborate to collect, manage and report climate information and data;
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Key Messages

- PA establishes **reoccurring/permanent processes**, including a **consistent and continuous flow of data** on climate action and support;
- **The ETF and its BTRs are the key tools to communicate** on climate data, and the basis to inform climate action, climate policy and NDCs;
- Governments have the flexibility to design and develop sustainable/strong **domestic institutional arrangements**;
- Information and indicators typically **contained in official statistics** already include many relevant information;
- **Adapting existing institutional arrangements** to the requirements of climate reporting will **help to mainstream** climate transparency in ongoing data collection and analysis activities;
- **Opportunity** for NSOs and other agencies to get involved from the beginning.

