

## **UNFCCC side-event**

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# Current guidelines for reporting and reviewing finance and technology transfer and challenges ahead

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## Context: How things have changed

- **1992:** Current guidelines based on general call in the Convention (Art. 4.3-4.10) for “**new and additional**” financial resources

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- **2010: Specific amount and dates** (USD 30 billion for the period 2010-2012 and USD 100 billion/yr by 2020, from a wide variety of sources).
  - With such different needs, guidelines for reporting and reviewing F&TT will have to be very different.

Currently:

- **No internationally agreed methodology for tracking financial resources related to climate change.**
  - OECD DAC “Rio markers”: descriptive approximation showing trends in the policy objectives rather than a quantitative estimate.
- NCs cover mainly funds provided via **regional or multilateral channels and institutions**. Yet reporting by these institutions lacks consistency, completeness, comparability, accuracy and transparency.
  - No idea of the amount of financing that is additional nor clarity on the categories, technologies, sectors or sources.

Some of the **current weak points in the reporting** that will need to be strengthened/otherwise addressed:

- Old challenge of defining **“new and additional”** financial resources
- Reporting on **public and private sector activities** related to TT
- Reporting on **“soft” and “hard”** technologies
- Reporting on **“success and failure stories”** of TT

Looking ahead...

- Key strengths of the review process are that it **builds trust among Parties and creates capacity** – both vital in this new context.
- **Assessing detailed financial information in depth** will likely require changes in the **mandate** given to reviewers, the **time** allotted for the review, and the **composition** (may need financial specialists).
  - Clearly, an **ambitious process** is needed to improve and adequately report and review climate-related F&TT in the future. Defining it will take **time and cooperation** between various institutions.
    - Proposals for how to go about it already exist - see WRI 2010, OECD, others.