



# Existing review system as a basis for post-2012 MRV

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# Outline

- **What focus and gaps in the current MRR/MRV system?**
- **How can we build on what we have to:**
  - ◆ Make national reports more complete, user-friendly and timely
  - ◆ Improve the review process

# Current MRR/MRV framework



## International reporting and review focuses on commitments ...:

Quantitative MRR/MRV:

- ✓ Annex I national GHG levels

Qualitative MRR/MRV:

- ✓ Annex I National Communications (every 3-5y)
  - ✓ Mitigation/adaptation measures, financial and other support, projections etc.

**... and on carbon markets:**

- ✓ Annex I entity GHG levels
- ✓ CDM/JI project GHG reductions

# Current MRR/MRV framework (2)



- **Reporting guidelines differ** between AI and NAI countries: NAI reports less frequent, less comprehensive
- **... and so have led to gaps in terms of:**
  - ✗ NAI (and global) GHG levels
  - ✗ NAI (and global) GHG pathway
  - ✗ Effect of actions
  - ✗ Support needs/flows

Current MRR system does not provide for review for NAI National Communications

# Moving forward: reporting (1)



- **Fill gaps in National Communications (NCs)**
  - ◆ Post-2012 commitments, actions, goals
  - ◆ Post-2012 pathways
- **Enhance information provided on**
  - ◆ Climate-related support
  - ◆ Adaptation policies
  - ◆ Methodologies
- **For NAI: increase frequency**

## Moving forward: reporting (2)



- **Greater focus** needed on key topics and issues
- **Greater links** needed between issues within report (e.g. inventory, mitigation measures)
- **Maintain flexibility** – particularly for NAI – in terms of what is reported for each topic and when
- **Increase standardisation** in terms of where and how information is reported: will improve transparency, consistency; facilitate reporting and review
- Need clear understanding of **role of NCs** vs other reporting mechanisms



# Moving forward: review/ICA

- **Review process helpful** ... to improve country's reporting, share best practice
- **Number of reports will increase** significantly in future (biennial reports)
  - ◆ Will impact resources required for M, R and V
- **Many unanswered questions** on future review aim and outcome
  - ◆ Focus on process or substance?
  - ◆ Who, what, how, when?

# Conclusions



- **Lots on which to build:** much experience on M, R, V – inside and outside FCCC/KP framework
- **Revising Nat Com reporting guidelines an opportunity** to:
  - ◆ Fill gaps
  - ◆ Facilitate user-friendly and timely reports while maintaining flexibility
  - ◆ Focus reports on key topics
- **Political guidance on aim and purpose** of MRV/ICA needed as a first step



# Thank you!

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- MRV
- Market mechanisms
- Low-emission development strategies
- .... and more.

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