

**Co-chairs' Summary of the Thirteenth Meeting  
of the PMR Partnership Assembly (PA13)**

**October 28-29, 2015**

**Sweimeh, Jordan**

## OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. The [Thirteenth Meeting of the Partnership Assembly \(PA13\)](#) was opened by the Co-chairs, Ms. Malin Ahlberg (Germany) and Dr. Pongvipa Lohsomboon (Thailand). H.E. Mr. Ahmad Al-Qatarneh (Secretary General, Ministry of Environment, Government of Jordan) opened the meeting on behalf of the host country. In his remarks, he reiterated the importance of the PMR process in the context of the climate change mitigation agenda in Jordan, and commended the PMR for the value of knowledge and experience sharing that it brings to all its participants. Mr. Venkata Ramana Putti (Program Manager, Climate and Carbon Finance Unit, World Bank Group) welcomed the Partnership Assembly (PA) participants on behalf of the World Bank Group, noting the emerging opportunities for the PMR to further leverage on its past work and continue to play an important role in catalyzing the transition from preparation of carbon pricing instruments to their implementation.
2. The PMR Secretariat provided an [update on work carried out during the inter-sessional period](#). The PA adopted the [agenda](#) as proposed by the Co-chairs (see Annex I).

## INFORMATION SHARING

3. The following countries and organizations presented updates on relevant domestic policy developments or related information:
  - a. **Chile** provided an [update on policy developments in its energy sector](#);
  - b. **China** provided an [update on recent carbon market developments](#) in the country;
  - c. **Norway** presented the latest regarding its [carbon credit procurement program](#);
  - d. The **United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)** provided an update on the latest developments and progress made in the light of upcoming COP21 in Paris, including a synthesis report of submitted intended nationally determined contributions (INDCs), current efforts to streamline the negotiations text, platform that will support the voluntary cancellation of CDM-generated credits, and recent developments in regard to regional CDM capacity building facility;
  - e. **Sri Lanka** provided an [overview of its initiatives for climate change mitigation](#) and indicated its interest in submitting an expression of interest in joining the PMR;
  - f. The **World Bank Group** provided an [update on its carbon pricing initiatives](#);
  - g. Several PMR Country Participants, including **Ukraine** and **Germany**, also presented recent policy developments in their respective countries.
  - h. **India** also provided an update and stated that its draft MRP is expected to be prepared and presented at PA14.

#### PMR TECHNICAL PARTNERS: UPDATE ON ALBERTA

4. As defined in the PMR Governance Framework and Rules of Procedure, the Partnership Assembly may, on the basis of the recommendation of the Secretariat, accept a country or a sub-national jurisdiction as a Technical Partner. In this context, Alberta has officially expressed interest to join the PMR as a Technical Partner.
5. [Alberta](#) provided an update on recent developments of their market-based instruments, as well as presented their proposal for engaging with the PMR for approval by the PA. The PA, through [Resolution No. PA13/2015-2](#) endorsed Alberta's participation as the PMR Technical Partner.

#### PMR OPERATIONS MONITORING SYSTEM AND COUNTRIES' PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION REPORTS

6. As part of the recently established PMR Operations Monitoring System, Brazil [presented](#) its annual [Project Implementation Status Report \(ISR\)](#), outlining the progress made in regard to the implementation of activities put forward in their MRP. Kazakhstan, a PMR Technical Partner, also [presented](#) its [Project Implementation Status Report](#) including a [proposal for second allocation of targeted technical support](#). In an effort to enhance experience sharing among the PMR Participants, this session also included the presentation of [expert feedback on proposed new activities](#) put forward by Kazakhstan. During this session, other Implementing Country Participants that have started the implementation of their PMR project activities also provided a brief update to the PA on the progress made to date. As specified during the Information Sharing Session, India indicated to the PA that its draft MRP is expected to be prepared and presented at PA14.
7. The PMR Secretariat [presented](#) the implications of reducing a number of PA meetings per year on the PMR Operations and Monitoring System in general, and Implementing Country Participants' submission of Project Implementation Status Reports in particular. The PMR Secretariat proposal outlined options for reporting both during intersessional periods and during the PA meetings. The proposal further elaborated on the timing of intersessional reporting and suggested that the electronic submission and circulation of the Project Implementation Status Reports would occur either in January or July of each year. The PA reporting would occur at the PA meetings, i.e. in April and October each year.
8. The PA welcomed Project Implementation Status Report presentations and, by adoption of [Resolution No. PA13/2015-1](#) decided to allocate additional funding to Kazakhstan as a Technical Partner for targeted technical support. In addition, the PA made a number of suggestions on how future reporting could be carried out in a more structured and efficient manner, including through submission of summary of MRP updates prepared by the Secretariat and shared with the PMR Participants prior to the PA Meeting. Finally, the PA was invited to provide further feedback on the proposed reporting modalities and timing by **November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015** which will be taken into account during revision of the PMR Note on the PMR Operations Monitoring System (Note PA 12-2015-6) to be presented at PA 14.

At the same time, as required per the PMR Operations Monitoring System, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Morocco and Turkey, as well as other PMR Implementing Country Participants that will have started the implementation of their PMR project activities in the meantime, were invited to prepare and present their PMR Project Implementation Status Report at PA14.

#### **PRESENTATION OF DRAFT MRPs**

9. **Jordan** [presented](#) its [draft MRP](#) to the PA. Recognizing that Jordan is at a particularly early stage in the journey toward market readiness, the proposed activities are aimed at addressing the market readiness challenges for developing a project, program or sectoral crediting mechanism in Jordan. The PA commended Jordan on its draft MRP and requested further clarifications in regard to interactions of the proposed activities with other climate finance readiness programs in the country, links with the country's INDC, political support for the proposed activities and alternative plan for funding subsequent readiness needs identified in the draft MRP. On behalf of the Expert Group, Ms. Alyssa Gilbert from the Grantham Institute presented a [summary of the feedback process related to Jordan's MRP](#).
10. **Peru** [presented](#) its [draft MRP](#) to the PA. The proposed activities are intended to establish a solid Mitigation Action Management System (MAMS) to be prepared for the potential implementation of a scaled-up GHG crediting instrument in the future. The PA commended Peru on its draft MRP and requested further clarifications in regard to cost considerations behind the prioritization of proposed activities, the choice of sectors and sustainability of proposed actions in each of them, envisioned governance structure for the implementation phase and level of political support for the proposed activities. On behalf of the Expert Group, Ms. Noémie Klein from Ecofys presented a [summary of the feedback process related to Peru's draft MRP](#).
11. Participants were invited to submit written comments on Jordan and Peru's draft MRPs by **November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015**. Following its practice, the PMR Secretariat will compile all feedback – both summarized feedback from the discussion at PA13 and any submitted written feedback (which will be recorded verbatim). Jordan and Peru are invited to take this feedback into account when finalizing their MRPs. The final MRPs should be submitted to the PMR Secretariat by **April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016**, for circulation to Participants three weeks prior to PA14.

#### **PMR TECHNICAL WORK PROGRAM AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING**

12. The PMR Secretariat provided a status update for activities under the technical work program (TWP), as outlined in [PMR Note PA13 2015-1](#) and the related [presentation](#). The Note and the presentation highlighted progress made under the TWP work streams, including on the knowledge products that have been recently published, as well as the technical workshops that have been organized since PA12. The PMR Secretariat also shared statistics in regard to the TWP dissemination activities.

13. In addition, the PMR Secretariat presented an [update on activities carried out under the crediting-related work stream](#), including outlining planned activities and knowledge products. Finally, the PMR Secretariat presented recent developments under the [data management and registries work stream](#), including forthcoming guidance documents on the development of GHG data management platforms for corporate/facility level reporting and transaction registry development and management.
14. The PA welcomed the update and made a number of suggestions, including considering to expand the data management and registries work stream to develop guidance on the development of registries and data bases to support crediting programs, tailoring the content to suit both technical experts and policy practitioners, continuing to collect feedback from participants regarding the PMR events and report to the PA, exploring further partnerships with other platforms and organizations active in the field, facilitating country- and region-specific technical workshops, developing activities to assist countries in their communication plans, for example strategies for dialogue with decision makers, developing knowledge products around the role of international trade in carbon assets which would enable transfer of funds, address equity concerns and facilitate technology transfer.
15. The PA was invited to provide written feedback on the planned activities under the TWP **by November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015**. The PMR Secretariat will report back to the PA periodically on the Technical Work Program and seek further guidance on its activities throughout the year.
16. As part of the efforts to enhance knowledge sharing within the PMR, the New Climate Institute and Ecofys [presented](#) the findings of a recent report on [analyzing the status quo of CDM projects](#). As part of the same effort, the World Bank presented its recent work on [developing policy-level MRV for fossil fuel subsidy reform and carbon pricing policies](#).

#### **UPDATE ON POLICY ANALYSIS WORK PROGRAM**

17. The PMR Secretariat provided a status update for activities under the Policy Analysis Work Program, as outlined in [PMR Note PA13 2015-2](#) and the related [presentation](#). The Note and the presentation highlighted the outcomes of the work that has been done so far, and provided an update on the scope and calendar of the proposed activities for the current fiscal year.
18. Following the completion of the first phase of the work, which demonstrated that carrying out economic and policy analysis to inform decisions surrounding the selection and introduction of carbon pricing instruments is one of the key components of each country's market readiness process, the PMR Secretariat proposed to streamline the work program around two groups of activities aimed: (1) Providing modeling and analytical support to countries, and (2) Analyzing interactions between carbon pricing and other sectoral policies.
19. Based on a country's needs assessment and gap analysis, the PMR will provide a package of country-specific support and capacity building activities under both work streams with the objective to identify a suitable package of policies and measures (including carbon pricing

instruments) for achieving their mitigation targets the context of countries' impending efforts to translate their INDC mitigation objectives into effective implementation strategies. At the same time, the proposed activities will leverage the PMR's unique value as a knowledge and experience sharing platform and include a number of cross-country activities and knowledge products.

20. The PMR Participants generally welcomed the Secretariat's proposal to streamline the activities under the Policy Analysis Work Program. They reiterated that activities under this work stream should have clear linkages with countries' efforts to design and implement domestic carbon pricing instruments and aligned with the ongoing and planned MRP activities. Some Participants also emphasized the broader benefits of this work in terms of capacity development in the field of modeling. Implementing Country Participants, including Colombia, Chile, Costa Rica, Mexico, Morocco and Vietnam – expressed their interest in receiving PMR support under this work program.
21. The PA was invited to provide further feedback on the proposed activities under the PMR Policy Analysis Work Program by **November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015**. Implementing Country Participants were invited to submit their Expression of Interest (EoIs) for receiving support under this work program. The PMR Secretariat will continue to carry out further consultations and refine the scope of proposed work described and inform the PA on the exact scope, timeline and resource allocation for analytical support.

#### **PMR FIRST INDEPENDENT EVALUATION - FOLLOW UP ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EVALUATION REPORT**

22. Following up on the recommendations from the [First Independent PMR Evaluation Report](#) the PMR Secretariat [presented](#) a revised version of the "Action Plan to Follow up on the Recommendations from the PMR First Independent Evaluation" ([PMR Note PA13 2015-3](#)). The Note highlighted the main conclusions from the First Independent Evaluation Report, described the main recommendations from the Evaluation Report; and proposed an Action Plan to follow up on the recommendations from the First Independent PMR Evaluation.
23. The proposed activities in the Action Plan are grouped around the main recommendations from the Evaluation report including (1) redefining some of the PMR objectives, (2) accelerating the process of grant agreement signing, (3) enhancing the PMR knowledge management and dissemination activities, (4) establishing and operating the PMR Monitoring and Operations System, and (5) increasing the transparency of reporting to the PA. Based on the PMR Participants' feedback at PA12, the proposed Action plan included target delivery date, budgetary implications and prioritization of individual activities for each recommendation.
24. The Participants welcomed the proposal from the Secretariat and the draft action plan to follow up on the recommendations from the PMR evaluation. They sought immediate clarifications on (i) the possibility to consider activities related to the finalization of the

Evaluation Logical Framework as priority, given the fact that most of the work has been done and that it is related to the redefinition of some of the PMR objectives, (ii) the possibility to use the PMR website as a platform to facilitate electronic decision making, (iii) the scope of the revision of PMR objectives.

25. Participants were invited to submit written comments on the final draft version of the Follow-up Action Plan and to suggest to suggest any additional steps that the PMR Secretariat can take to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the PMR by **November 20th, 2015**. Based on the feedback and suggestions received from the PA, the PMR Secretariat will make final revisions to the Follow-up Action Plan, and seek guidance from the PMR M&E WG on the final version of the document. Subsequently, the PMR Secretariat will submit it electronically to the PA, no later than January 31st, 2016, by which time the Follow-up Action Plan will be considered endorsed.

#### **STRATEGIC ORIENTATION FOR THE FUTURE OF THE PMR**

26. As part of the ongoing discussions on strategic orientation for the future of the PMR, the PMR Secretariat [presented](#) the Draft Proposal for Funding Additional Activities under the PMR ([PMR Note PA13 2015-4](#)). The Note and related presentation provided a brief summary and an update on the overall strategic direction discussions, outlined the proposed scope of and considerations for reviewing proposals for funding additional activities under the PMR, and suggested a process and modality in this regard.
27. Taking into account a gradual shift from the preparation to the implementation phase in regard to Implementing Country Participants' MRP activities, as well as likely funding surplus within the current capitalization of the PMR trust fund, the PMR Secretariat proposed the following types of activities as eligible for additional funding allocations under the PMR: (1) Activities that complement and support existing MRP activities, (2) Activities that are additional to existing MRP activities and that are directly related to the design and implementation of carbon pricing instruments, and (3) Activities that are related to policy analysis (i.e. carrying out modeling work, exploring the economic implications of the implementation of carbon pricing instruments, as well as analyzing the interaction of these instruments with other policies).
28. These three “options” for deepening PMR country support, as well as the draft template and proposed considerations for reviewing Implementing Country Participants’ proposals drew upon past discussions on the strategic direction for the future of the PMR and a “Survey for Implementing Country Participants”, which aimed to identify initial demand and scope for funding additional activities under the PMR. Similarly, proposed modality for additional funding allocations – through application of the electronic decision-making process – was put forward in order to facilitate and accelerate future decisions by the PA on additional funding allocations and allow for the timely implementation of activities proposed by the Implementing Country Participants.

29. The PA generally welcomed the Secretariat proposals on putting forward the proposal and modality for funding additional activities under the PMR. Implementing Country Participants emphasized that a phased approach to readiness and an option to apply for additional funding allocations to complement their MRP-related activities is consistent with their original understanding of the PMR process. They also pointed out that during the implementation phase more needs that will be key to their readiness process are likely to be identified. Some Participants requested further clarifications in regard to processes in place to ensure effective monitoring of the PMR activities and assessing effectiveness of the ongoing PMR support. They emphasized the need to create stronger links between requests for additional funding and results related to ongoing implementation of MRP activities. Furthermore, some Participants expressed reservations about the application of electronic decision-making emphasizing the value of experience and knowledge exchange which occurs at the PA meetings. That said, they also expressed interest in the possibility of applying different decision-making processes for different types of activities eligible for additional funding allocations (i.e., maintaining current modality of decision-making at the PA meetings for activities intended to complement the MRP activities, while allowing for electronic decision-making for activities aimed to provide targeted support to countries and those related to policy analysis support). Some Participants emphasized the need to further link discussions on funding additional activities under the PMR with wider discussions on the strategic orientation for the future of the PMR, including ensuring that the new activities are coherent with the PMR's original objectives and strategy.
30. Even though the focus of the strategic discussions for the future of the PMR was on deepening readiness support, some Participants stated that options for broadening the PMR reach (i.e., by accepting new Implementing Country Participants) should also be discussed. On this matter, the general understanding among some Participants was that more "systematic" expansion of the PMR should be conditional upon a new phase of capitalization of the PMR (i.e., additional funding, beyond the existing surplus) and, as such, folded into the discussions on the (post-2020) future of the PMR (the so-called "PMR II"). At the same time, the Participants were generally of the view that ad-hoc additions in terms of new Implementing Country Participants could be considered on a discretionary basis and upon recommendation from the PMR Secretariat.
31. The PA was invited to provide additional written feedback on the Note by **November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015** and to share ideas on other areas of focus for these discussions, including on the additional ways of deepening the PMR support to Implementing Country Participants. Based on the PA's feedback, the PMR Secretariat will revise the proposal and present it for the PA's endorsement at PA14.



## CO-CHAIRS

32. The co-chairs – Ms. Malin Ahlberg (Germany) and Dr. Pongvipa Lohsomboon (Thailand) – will serve for the next PA meeting which will take place in Lima, Peru during the week of April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

## **Meeting Documents**

33. Final presentations, resolutions and other meeting documents are available on the PMR website: <https://www.thepmr.org/events/eventlist/pa/partnership-assembly-meeting-pa13-sweimeh-dead-sea>. Participants should note that some materials may require a password login for viewing.

## DEADLINES FOR COMMENTS, FEEDBACK, AND SUBMISSIONS

34. Participants were invited to provide written feedback to the PMR secretariat **by November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015** on the following documents:

- Jordan Draft Market Readiness Proposal;
- Peru Draft Market Readiness Proposal;
- Kazakhstan Second Proposal for Targeted Technical Support;
- PMR Secretariat Presentation on the Operations Monitoring System;
- PMR Note on Status Update of the Technical Work Program (PMR Note PA13 2015-1);
- PMR Note on Status Update of the Policy Analysis Support (PMR Note PA13 2015-2);
- PMR Note on the Action Plan to Follow up on the Recommendations from the PMR First Independent Evaluation (PMR Note PA13 2015-3);
- PMR Note on Modality for Funding Additional Activities under the PMR: Draft Proposal for Discussion (PMR Note PA13 2015-4);
- PMR Secretariat Presentation on Next Steps and Calendar of Events.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

35. The [schedule](#) for the upcoming PMR events is summarized below. The dates and location for some of them are yet to be finalized:

- **Technical Workshop on Modeling and Policy Interactions**  
Dates: February 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016, Location: Brasilia, Brazil (TBC)
- **Carbon Pricing Workshop and ETS Handbook Launch**  
Dates: March 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016, Location: Zurich, Switzerland
- **PA14, Technical Workshop and Public Event**  
Dates: April 25<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016, Location: Lima, Peru

## Annex I

### Thirteenth Meeting of the Partnership Assembly (PA13) —Agenda

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#### Day 1

<b>1. Opening and Introduction</b>	
8:30	Registration: Welcome coffee and badge pick-up
9:00	<p>Opening remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- PMR Co-chairs (<i>Ms. Malin Ahlberg, Germany and Dr. Pongvipa Lohsomboon, Thailand</i>)</li> <li>- Government of Jordan (<i>H.E. Mr. Ahmad Al-Qatarneh, Secretary General, Ministry of Environment, Government of Jordan</i>)</li> <li>- World Bank (<i>Mr. Venkata Putti, Program Manager, Climate and Carbon Finance Unit, World Bank</i>)</li> <li>- PMR Update and Progress Report (<i>Mr. Adrien de Bassompierre, PMR Secretariat</i>)</li> <li>- Adoption of the agenda</li> </ul>
<b>2. Information Sharing</b>	
<p>PMR Participants and Observers are encouraged to share relevant policy developments. Updates may be done through PowerPoint presentations or oral briefings.</p>	
9:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Chile: Energy Policies Developments (<i>Mr. Juan Pedro Searle, Ministry of Energy, Chile</i>)</li> <li>- China: Update on China’s Carbon Market Developments (<i>Mr. Zongjie Yang, National Development and Reform Commission, China</i>)</li> <li>- Norway: The Norwegian Carbon Credit Procurement Program (<i>Mr. Sigurd Klakeg, Ministry of Climate and Environment, Norway</i>)</li> <li>- UNFCCC: Progress towards Paris (<i>Mr. Perumal Arumugam, UNFCCC</i>)</li> <li>- Sri Lanka: Initiatives for Climate Change Mitigation (<i>Mr. H.M. Buddika Hemashantha, Sri Lanka Climate Fund</i>)</li> <li>- World Bank: Status Update on the World Bank Group Carbon Pricing Initiatives (<i>Mr.</i></li> </ul>

	<p><i>Venkata Putti, World Bank Group)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Others</li> </ul>
<b>3. PMR Technical Partners: Update on Alberta</b>	
<p>As defined in the PMR Governance Framework and Rules of Procedure, the Partnership Assembly may, on the basis of the recommendation of the Secretariat, accept a country or a sub-national jurisdiction as a Technical Partner. Alberta expressed interest to join the PMR as Technical Partner. It will provide an update on recent developments of their market-based instruments, as well as present their proposal for engaging with the PMR for approval by the PA.</p>	
10:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- New Action Plan on Climate Change and Request to Become Technical Partner (<i>Mr. John Storey-Bishoff, Alberta Environment and Parks, Government of Alberta</i>)</li> </ul>
<b>11:15</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>4. PMR Operations Monitoring System and Countries' Project Implementation Status Reports</b>	
<p>As part of the recently established PMR Operations Monitoring System, Brazil and Kazakhstan will present their annual PMR Project Implementation Status Report. During this session, other Implementing Country Participants that have started the implementation of their PMR project activities will be invited to provide a brief update to the PA on the progress made to date.</p>	
11:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Brazil (<i>Ms. Ana Luiza Oliveira Champloni and Mr. Marco Aurélio dos Santos Araújo, Ministry of Finance, Brazil</i>)</li> <li>- Kazakhstan (<i>Ms. Gulmira Sergazina, Ministry of Energy, Kazakhstan</i>)</li> <li>- Kazakhstan Expert Feedback on Proposed New Activities (<i>Ms. Alyssa Gilbert, the Grantham Institute</i>)</li> <li>- Other Implementing Country Participants</li> <li>- Update on PMR Operations Monitoring System (<i>PMR Secretariat</i>)</li> </ul>
<b>13:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>5. Presentation of Draft MRP: Jordan</b>	
<p>Jordan has submitted the draft Market Readiness Proposals (MRP) which it will present in order to seek feedback from the PA. Representatives from the PMR Expert Groups, who carried out the Expert Feedback Process, will also present observations and suggestions. Based on feedback received, Jordan will revise its MRP and submit it for funding consideration at PA14.</p>	
14:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation of the draft MRP (<i>H.E. Eng. Ahmad Al Qatarneh, Secretary General, Eng. Abdelkarim Shalabi, PMR Coordinator, and Eng. Wafaa Dabis, Head of Mitigation</i>)</li> </ul>

	<p><i>Section, Climate Change Directorate, Ministry of Environment)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Feedback by a representative of the Expert Group (<i>Ms. Alyssa Gilbert, the Grantham Institute</i>)</li> <li>- Discussion and feedback</li> </ul>
<b>15:45</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>6. Presentation of Draft MRP: Peru</b>	
<p>Peru has submitted the draft Market Readiness Proposals (MRP) which it will present in order to seek feedback from the PA. Representatives from the PMR Expert Groups, who carried out the Expert Feedback Process, will also present observations and suggestions. Based on feedback received, Peru will revise its MRP and submit it for funding consideration at PA14.</p>	
16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation of the draft MRP (<i>Mr. Jose Alfredo La Rosa, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Peru</i>)</li> <li>- Feedback by a representative of the Expert Group (<i>Ms. Noémie Klein, Ecofys</i>)</li> <li>- Discussion and feedback</li> </ul>
<b>17:30</b>	<b>Day 1 Wrap-up</b>

## Day 2

<b>7. Technical Work Program and Knowledge Sharing</b>	
<p>The PMR's Technical Work Program supports countries on issues that are common across many of them and where they can benefit from technical assistance provided in a comprehensive and programmatic manner. Under this agenda item, the PMR Secretariat will present a status update for financial year 2016 (PMR Note PA13 2015-1). The session will also provide an overview of the latest technical notes, and serve as an opportunity for knowledge sharing with other countries and sub-national jurisdictions.</p>	
9:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation of the Status Update for the PMR Technical Work Program (<i>PMR Secretariat</i>)</li> <li>- Knowledge Sharing: Analysing the status-quo of CDM projects (<i>Mr. Carsten Warnecke, New Climate Institute and Ms. Noémie Klein, Ecofys</i>)</li> <li>- Knowledge Sharing: Developing Policy-level MRV for Fossil Fuel Subsidy Reform and Carbon Pricing Policies (<i>Mr. Suphachol Suphachalasai, World Bank Group</i>)</li> </ul>

<b>11:00</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>8. Update on Policy Analysis Work Program</b>	
<p>The PA endorsed and allocated a budget at PA12 in Barcelona for continuation of support to countries' efforts to establish post-2020 mitigation scenarios and identify a package of effective and cost-efficient policies—including carbon pricing instruments—to achieve mitigation ambition. Since PA12, several Implementing Country Participants have submitted their Expressions of Interest (EoIs) for receiving technical assistance under this work stream. The Secretariat will present the overall progress made including summarizing new requests for support from the Implementing Country Participants (PMR Note PA13 2015-2).</p>	
11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Status Update for the Upstream Analytical Policy Support (<i>PMR Secretariat</i>)</li> <li>- Discussion</li> </ul>
<b>12:30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>9. PMR First Independent Evaluation - Follow up on the recommendations from the Evaluation Report</b>	
<p>Following up on the recommendations from the First Independent Evaluation of the PMR, the PMR Secretariat presented a draft "Action Plan to Follow up on the Recommendations from the PMR First Independent Evaluation," which was presented at PA12 (PMR Note PA12 2015-3). Based on the PA's feedback, the PMR Secretariat revised the Action Plan (PMR Note PA13 2015-3) which will be presented for discussion and PA's endorsement.</p>	
13:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation of the Action Plan to Follow up on the Recommendations from the PMR First Independent Evaluation (<i>Mr. Adrien de Bassompierre, PMR Secretariat</i>)</li> <li>- Discussion</li> </ul>
<b>14:45</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>10. Strategic Orientation for the Future of the PMR</b>	
<p>As part of the ongoing discussions on strategic orientation for the future of the PMR, the PMR Secretariat presented the "Note on Options for Funding Additional Activities under the PMR: Update and Proposed Way Forward" at PA12. The Note provided a summary and an update on the overall strategic direction discussions to date, as well as suggested timeline and key milestones as a way forward to frame discussions on the matter. Based on the PA's feedback, the Secretariat revised the proposal which outlines the modality for funding additional activities under the PMR (PMR Note PA13 2015-4). The proposal will be presented for discussion and PA's feedback.</p>	

15:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Proposal on Modality for Funding Additional Activities Under the PMR (<i>Mr. Adrien de Bassompierre, PMR Secretariat</i>)</li> <li>- Discussion</li> </ul>
<b>11. Next Steps and Adoption of Decisions</b>	
16:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Next Steps: PMR Upcoming Calendar of Events (<i>Ms. Rhiana Fitts, PMR Secretariat</i>)</li> <li>- Adoption of Decisions by Participants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Second allocation of funding for Targeted Technical Support to Kazakhstan</li> <li>o Confirmation of Alberta as PMR Technical Partner</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>17:00</b>	<b>Conclusions of PA13</b>

## Annex II

### PA13 Resolutions

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#### Resolution No. PA13/2015-1

#### Second allocation of funding for Targeted Technical Support to Kazakhstan

##### WHEREAS:

- (1) The Partnership Assembly (PA), through Resolution No. PA7/2013-3 (Targeted Technical Support to Kazakhstan), allocated targeted technical support to Kazakhstan to help Kazakhstan implement its National Emission Trading Scheme for an amount up to US\$1 million over three years, provided that Kazakhstan, at a PA meeting, presents its proposed specific activities that require PMR funding support, in order to seek feedback and endorsement by the PA.
- (2) Resolution No. PA7/2013-3 further invited the PMR Secretariat to consider creating a new category of countries under the PMR Governance Framework to institutionalize the status of countries such as Kazakhstan under the PMR Governance Framework and to make a proposal on such institutional changes at the eighth PA meeting.
- (3) Per Resolution No. PA8/2014-5 (Allocation of funding for Targeted Technical Support to Kazakhstan) Kazakhstan was approved as a Technical Partner of the PMR and was allocated funding as a Technical Partner for targeted technical support of the activities proposed to be carried out in Kazakhstan's "Proposal for Targeted Technical Support" in the amount of US\$500,000.
- (4) As per Section 4.10 of the PMR Governance Framework, a country that has been approved as a Technical Partner by the PA may, on a case-by-case basis, request the PA to allocate funding to provide targeted technical support to complement its domestic actions in developing or implementing an emissions trading scheme, a carbon tax or another market instrument which serves the objectives of the PMR set out in Section I (Objectives of the PMR) of the PMR Governance Framework.
- (5) Kazakhstan submitted and the PA considered Kazakhstan's "Second Proposal for Targeted Technical Support" presented by Kazakhstan during this PA meeting.

- (6) As per Section 4.3(c) of the (amended) PMR Governance Framework, the PA is responsible for making a decision on the allocation of PMR funding to a Technical Partner, in the absence of the establishment of a Partnership Committee.

**THE PARTNERSHIP ASSEMBLY:**

1. Decides, in accordance with the criteria included in Resolution No. PA7/2013-3, to allocate additional funding to Kazakhstan as a Technical Partner for targeted technical support of the activities proposed to be carried out in Kazakhstan's "Second Proposal for Targeted Technical Support" in the amount of US\$500,000.
2. Invites (i) PMR Participants to provide comments, if any, on Kazakhstan's "Second Proposal for Targeted Technical Support" by 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2015; and (ii) Kazakhstan and the PMR Secretariat to take into account such comments during the implementation of the Kazakhstan's "Second Proposal for Targeted Technical Support".
3. Invites Kazakhstan to periodically update the PA on progress made in the implementation of Kazakhstan's "Second Proposal for Targeted Technical Support".



## **Resolution No. PA13/2015-2**

### **Approval of Alberta as a Technical Partner of the Partnership for Market Readiness (PMR)**

#### **WHEREAS:**

- (1) Per Resolution No. PA8-2014-3 (Amendment to the PMR Governance Framework), the Partnership Assembly (PA) amended the PMR Governance Framework to allow some countries to join the PMR as Technical Partners, subject to the PA's prior consideration and approval. Furthermore, the amendment to the PMR Governance Framework also allows sub-national jurisdictions to become eligible to join the PMR as a Technical Partner.
- (2) In accordance with Section 4.8 of the (amended) PMR Governance Framework, the PA may, on the basis of the recommendation of the PMR Secretariat, accept a country or a sub-national jurisdiction as a Technical Partner, provided that (i) it has expressed interest in engaging with the PMR as a Technical Partner; and (ii) it is developing or in the process of implementing an emission trading scheme, carbon tax or another market instrument that serves the objective of the PMR set out in Section 1 (Objectives of the PMR) of the PMR Governance Framework.
- (3) In accordance with Section 4.9 of the (amended) PMR Governance Framework, the PMR Secretariat may collaborate with Technical Partners to carry out joint activities such as workshops, training, and analytical work. A Technical Partner is entitled to attend the meetings of the PA without the right to vote.
- (4) Alberta has expressed interest in engaging with the PMR as a Technical Partner and is pursuing a Carbon Offset System and an Emissions Performance Credits System within the province of Alberta in the context of its greenhouse gas reduction program.
- (5) The PMR Secretariat is recommending to the PA to approve Alberta as a Technical Partner of the PMR.

#### **THE PARTNERSHIP ASSEMBLY:**

4. Decides to approve Alberta as a Technical Partner of the PMR, with the understanding that Alberta will not request funding under Section 4.10 of the (amended) PMR Governance Framework.