

Initiative for Climate Action Transparency (ICAT)

VANUATU OUTREACH MATERIALS

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Introduction

The principal objective for ICAT project in Vanuatu is supporting Vanuatu in building national capacity for compiling GHG inventories, building a foundation for the NDC targets and tracking, and creating the evidence platform for the climate policies through improving Vanuatu's national inventory system for collecting GHG-related data and estimating GHG emissions from the categories prioritized by Vanuatu.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of the outreach report is to provide stakeholders—such as team members, funders, partners, and community members—with a clear understanding of the impact and effectiveness of the Project. In addition, it also promotes transparency and accountability to the stakeholders, funders and the community.

Outreach Activities

There were 5 workshops during ICAT Phase I. The workshops are listed below.

1. [Initiative for Climate Action Transparency Project \(ICAT\) Inception meeting](#)

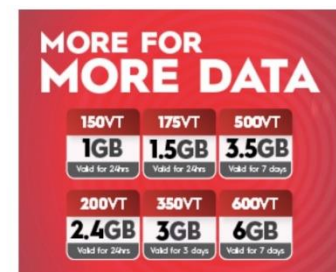
- **Date:** 14 November 2023
- **Location:** Melanesian Hotel, Port Vila, Vanuatu

The workshop gathered key stakeholders from Agriculture, Livestock, Forestry, Environment, Energy, National Advisory Board (NAB) and other relevant sectors, to initiate a collaborative effort aimed at building national capacity in addressing GHG inventory.

The workshop commenced with the introduction of participants from different stakeholders in Vanuatu and also, those who joined virtually. A total of 12 participants attended the workshop.

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2. [Vanuatu GHG Inventory Training for National Experts](#)

- **Date:** 12th – 15th February 2024
- **Location:** Ramada Resort, Port Vila, Vanuatu

The Workshop was facilitated by Greenhouse Gas Management Institute (GHGMI) as the implementing partner of the project. The workshop gathered key stakeholders from Agriculture, Livestock, Forestry, Environment, Energy, Education, Vanuatu Bureau of Statistics, Civil aviation, South Pacific Petroleum, Vanuatu Action Climate Network, National Advisory Board (NAB) and other relevant sectors, to build national capacity in GHG inventory for prioritized sectors in Vanuatu. These four days training developed the knowledge of the participants in the different methodologies to calculate emissions in prioritized sectors. Understanding the key concepts and data requirements for prioritized sectors, know the data sources and how the data flows within the sectors and also working with the IPCC software to calculate emissions using related examples.

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BUILDING NATIONAL CAPACITY ON GHG INVENTORY

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By Zechariah Bani - Project Coordinator

>>> WHAT IS ICAT ?

ICAT, the Initiative for Climate Action Transparency, supports countries in assessing the impact of their climate policies and actions. It enhances countries' transparency capacities by helping them understand how their climate actions affect development goals and providing tools for evidence-based policymaking. ICAT's unique approach integrates these aspects, focusing on countries that can demonstrate the benefits of transparency in policy impact and action. It develops guidance and best practices to share globally, building on existing systems and knowledge in countries. ICAT's work is driven by countries' needs, tailored to their context and priorities, and emphasizes national expertise and peer learning. Funded by a committee including donors and UN bodies, ICAT is managed by UNOPS, with the ICAT Secretariat coordinating its activities.

>>> CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP



The GHG Workshop of ICAT project held in Port Vila, on 12th to 15th February 2024, was facilitated by Greenhouse Gas Management Institute (GHGMI) as the implementing partner of the project. The workshop gathered key stakeholders from Agriculture, Livestock, Forestry, Environment, Energy, Education, Vanuatu Bureau of Statistics, Civil aviation, South Pacific Petroleum, Vanuatu Action Climate Network, NAB and other relevant sectors, to build national capacity in GHG inventory for prioritized sectors in Vanuatu.

INSIGHTS

ICAT is supporting Vanuatu in building national capacity for compiling GHG inventories, building a foundation for the NDC targets and tracking, and creating the evidence platform for the climate policies through improving Vanuatu's national inventory system for collecting GHG-related data and estimating GHG emissions from the categories prioritized by Vanuatu. Currently ICAT team is finalizing the GHG inventory manual for Vanuatu.

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See link: <https://docc.gov.vu/index.php/resources/publications/newsletters>

3. [Climate Policy Impact Assessment Training](#)

- **Date:** 24th – 26th June 2024
- **Location:** Melanesian Hotel, Port Vila, Vanuatu

The workshop was facilitated by Greenhouse Gas Management Institute (GHGMI) as the implementing partner of the project. The workshop gathered key stakeholders from Department of Agriculture, Department of Livestock, Department of Forestry and National Advisory Board, a total of eight participants to build national capacity in the application of ICAT Agriculture methodology for the assessment of agriculture policy impacts in terms of GHG and sustainable development (SD). During the workshop, GHG and sustainable development (SD) impacts of two agricultural policies, namely, *Environmental Protection and Sustainable Farming*, and *Commercial Livestock Production* were assessed and specific indicators to track GHG and SD impacts of agricultural policies were identified. Environmental protection and sustainable farming aims to achieve environmentally friendly agriculture and also improving and conserving agriculture soils. Commercial livestock production aims to operate productively and sustainably, and promote climate resilient farming practices. The 3-day training focused on developing the policy description and causal chain, baseline and policy scenarios, identifying data, methodology and indicators.

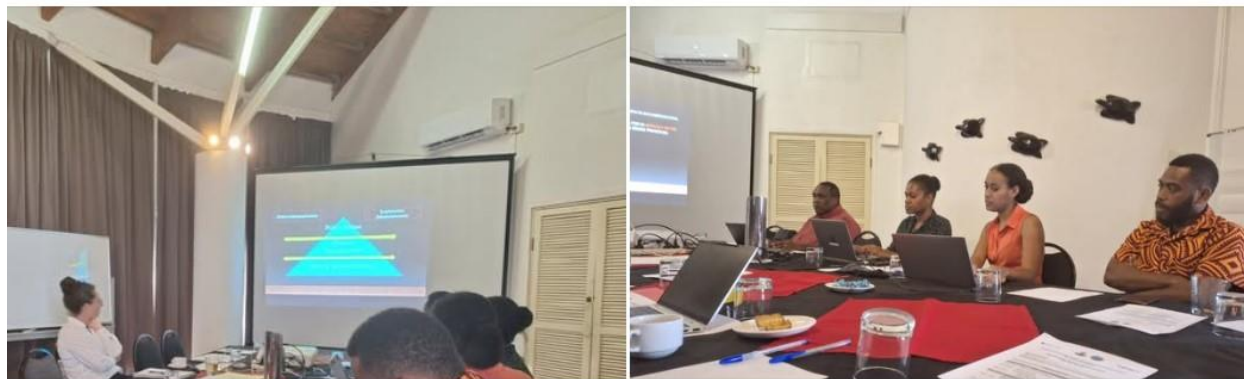
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Project Update 🧑🏫🧑🏫 Agriculture Policy Assessment 🙌 Initiative for Climate Action Transparency (ICAT) Project technical Workshop..Presentation led by Director of DARD Mr Ravo Antoine
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4. National Systems Workshop

- **Date:** 9th – 10th October 2024
- **Location:** Melanesian Hotel, Port Vila, Vanuatu

The Workshop was facilitated by the Greenhouse Gas Management Institute (GHGMI) as the implementing partner of the project. The workshop gathered national experts of the ICAT project to build national capacity in National Systems for prioritized sectors in Vanuatu. These two days training developed the knowledge of the experts in understanding the key elements of the national system for GHG inventory, key components of institutional arrangement, key features of inventory, cross- sectoral issues, uncertainty analysis, key category analysis, and information system.



5. Lessons Learnt Workshop

- **Date:** 11th October 2024
- **Location:** Melanesian Hotel, Port Vila, Vanuatu

The Workshop was facilitated by the project coordinator and the national experts with Olia Glade from Greenhouse Gas Management Institute (GHGMI) as the project's implementing partner. The workshop gathered key stakeholders from the Department of Climate Change, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Energy, and the Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT) to discuss the lessons learned, challenges, and potential way forward of the ICAT project. The one-day workshop helps stakeholders better understand the achievements, lessons learned, and project challenges. CBIT project coordinator expressed their enthusiasm on how the ICAT project can assist them in certain activities to achieve some of the key targets of the CBIT project. Margret from the Department of Agriculture also shared the department's acknowledgment of the outcome of the project and expressed how the project contributed to assessing one of their policies thus helping them in strengthening their agriculture policies to accurately measure Greenhouse Gas emissions and also for precise reporting measures.



Lessons Learnt Workshop Discussions.

Events

There are 3 events that Phase I of ICAT in Vanuatu contributed to, during COP 29.

- **Date:** 11th – 22nd November 2024
- **Location:** BAKU, Azerbaijan

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Vanuatu's Initiative For Climate Action Transparency (ICAT) Project under the Department of Climate Change, within the Ministry of Climate Change is also participating in the Side Events at the COP29 in Baku, Azerbaijan.

On Tuesday (November 12, 2024) the Acting Director of the Department of Climate Change, Nelson Kalo, with Project Coordinator, Zechariah Bani, at the Side Event for Strengthening Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Data Management and Mitigation in the Pacific: presenting and discussing Lessons Learned from ICAT project and Future Pathways under the Enhanced Transparency Framework, Paris Agreement, and Global Methane Pledge.

The Acting Director and Project Coordinator shared Vanuatu's progress, in terms of strengthening the domestic institutional arrangements to be able to meet the needs under Article 13 of the Paris Agreement.

Today on Wednesday the Acting Director and Project Coordinator participated in another Side Event at the Moana Pavilion as part of the Peer-to-peer exchange event for the Pacific region on the current state and the perspectives of capacity building under the ETF and the Paris Agreement using

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Both Vanuatu delegates talked about Vanuatu's Initiative For Climate Action Transparency's experience in Vanuatu and what the project has achieved so far, which includes producing the first ever Greenhouse Gas (GHG) inventory manual for Vanuatu, which can be used to calculate Vanuatu's GHG emissions.

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These events are as follows:

Strengthening GHG data Management and Mitigation in the Pacific: presenting and discussing Lessons learnt from ICAT project and Future pathways under the ETF, Paris Agreement, and Global Methane Pledge.

- **Venue:** NDC Pavilion
- **Speakers:** experts from Fiji, Vanuatu, the Greenhouse Gas Management Institute, ICAT Secretariat and the Climate and Clean Air Coalition Secretariat.
- **Target audience:** high-level government officials, national experts from Fiji and Vanuatu, representatives from international organizations (e.g., UNFCCC) and other stakeholders interested in GHG mitigation and data management



Sharing national experiences, and recent project involvement.

The Peer-to-peer exchange event for the Pacific region at COP29, held on November 13, focused on capacity building under the ETF and the Paris Agreement using advanced data management platforms.

- **Venue:** Moana Pavilion
- **Speakers:** experts from Fiji, Vanuatu, the Greenhouse Gas Management Institute and the Climate and Clean Air Coalition Secretariat.
- **Target audience:** high-level government officials, national experts from Fiji and Vanuatu, representatives from international organizations (e.g., UNFCCC) and other stakeholders interested in GHG mitigation and data management



Experts from Fiji, Vanuatu, the Greenhouse Gas Management Institute and the Climate and Clean Air Coalition Secretariat.

SAGE, a Data Platform for GHG Emissions- A tool for activity data collection and management.

- **Venue:** Shirvan Pavilion
- **Moderator:** Molly White from GHGMI
- **Presenter:** Olia Glade from GHGMI
- **Speakers:** Nkanyiso Ndlovu, Deepitika Chand and Zechariah Bani.
- **Target Audience:** high-level government officials, national experts from Fiji and Vanuatu, representatives from international organizations (e.g., UNFCCC) and other stakeholders interested in SAGE tool and data management.



Sharing country experiences on the SAGE tool.



Molly White with speakers from Fiji, Zimbabwe and Vanuatu.



Olia Glade with Speakers from Zimbabwe, Fiji and Vanuatu.