

Non-State and Subnational Action Guidance

Guidance for integrating the impact of non-state and subnational mitigation actions into national greenhouse gas projections, targets and planning

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List of key recommendations

This document lists all of the key recommendations related to assessing the impact of non-state and subnational actions contained in the ICAT *Non-state and Subnational Action Guidance*. Chapter 10 of the guidance lists all key recommendations related to reporting, which are not duplicated here.

Key recommendations are intended to assist users in producing credible impact assessments that pursue high quality and are based on the principles of relevance, completeness, consistency, accuracy, comparability and transparency.

The ICAT *Introductory Guide* provides further description on how and why key recommendations are used within the ICAT guidance documents, as well as more information about following either the “flexible approach” or the “key recommendations” approach when using the guidance.

KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

Chapter 2: Objectives of assessing the impact of non-state and subnational action

- Determine the objectives of the assessment at the beginning of the impact assessment process

Chapter 3: Key concepts, steps and assessment principles

- Base the assessment on the principles of relevance, completeness, consistency, accuracy, comparability and transparency

Chapter 4: Defining assessment boundary

- Specify which sectors and subsectors, actor groups, action types, greenhouse gases, and types of indirect emissions are included in the assessment

Chapter 5: Creating a list of all relevant non-state and subnational actions

- Compile a list of relevant non-state and subnational actions occurring within the assessment boundary

Chapter 6: Selecting non-state and subnational actions for inclusion in the analysis

- Determine suitability of non-state and subnational action for further analysis
- Determine the likelihood that non-state and subnational action targets will be achieved
- Determine whether the collaborative action is already covered by an individual non-state and subnational action before distributing emissions reductions from international collaborative actions to countries

Chapter 7: Listing relevant national climate mitigation policies and actions

- List all relevant national climate mitigation policies and actions that relate to the objectives of the assessment

Chapter 8: Converting non-state and subnational actions and national policies to suitable metrics

- Identify suitable metrics and convert non-state and subnational actions to those metrics
- Identify metrics that work for existing climate mitigation models and/or scenarios and check whether non-state and subnational actions need to be converted to emission reduction potentials

Chapter 9: Assessing overlaps, adding impacts and comparing ambition

- Check for potential overlaps between various non-state and subnational actions in the same sector, across sectors and between non-state/subnational actions and national policies to avoid double counting
- Harmonize the target year with the non-state and subnational target years when comparing ambition

Chapter 10: Reporting results

- Report information about the assessment process and the non-state and subnational impacts (including the information listed in Section 10.1)