Linking National GHG inventory and Low Carbon Society: Some thoughts

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- Some issues in linking GHG inventory and LoCAR initiatives
- Southeast Asia GHG inventory example
- National Inventory Management System (NIMS) and LoCARNet Linkages
- Linking GHG Inventory and LoCARNet through NAMAs



Some issues in Linking GHG inventory and LoCAR initiatives



- Five pillars (transparency, accuracy, consistency, completeness, comparability)
- Three main components (Methodology, Activity data, Emission factor)
- Quality control: while the inventory is being prepared
- Quality assurance: third party checks on inventory estimates
- Uncertainty reduction
 - Activity data and emission factors
 - Sectoral and sub-regional variability
 - Riding the tier ladder

GHG Inventory and LoCAR

- Developing countries are submitting their national communications to UNFCCC – mostly third NC preparations being initiated now
- Biennial Update Report (BUR) to be also submitted first in 2014
- GHG inventory updates and nationally appropriate mitigation actions (NAMAs) form main coverage of BUR
- Could LoCAR initiatives use the national GHG inventory and NAMA developments?
- What are the challenges?

Some Issues: GHG Inventory and LoCAR

- IPCC and UNFCCC inventory processes, designs and formats Vs regular LoCAR modeling outputs
- Which GHG inventory software to use? Its similarities with LoCAR modeling efforts?
- How to structure inventory related activity data and emission factor databases so as to link with LoCAR modeling databases?
- How to include detailed bottom-up activity data into national inventory numbers and LoCAR modeling efforts?
- How to create and then continuously improve national inventory management systems? Synergy with LoCARNet?
- How could IGES and other Asia Pacific partners help developing countries in their inventory and NAMA efforts including training of inventory compilers on a continuous basis?



Southeast Asia GHG Inventory Example





- In 2000, Southeast Asian nations contributed to about 12% of global greenhouse gas emissions
- 31% increase in total GHG emissions over 1990-2000, faster than global average
- Main contributing sectors
 - Over 75% emissions from LULUCF
 - Around 15% emissions from Energy (rising trend)
 - Around 8% emissions from Agriculture



GHG Emissions in Southeast Asia (Mt CO₂)

| Sources | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | % of total GHG | % increase (1990- 2000) | |
|--------------------|--------|----------------------|--------|-------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Energy | 432.6 | 6 635.5 971.8 11-18% | | 125% | | |
| Industrial process | 25.4 | 4 46.4 50.8 1% | | 100% | | |
| Agriculture | 336.7 | 336.7 369.3 407.0 | | 7-8% | 21% | |
| LULUCF | 3232.4 | 3823.2 | 3861.0 | >75% | 19% | |
| Waste | 64.4 | .4 70.5 76.6 1% | | 19% | | |
| Total | 4091.5 | 4944.9 | 5367.2 | | 31% | |



Inventory Years of National Communications

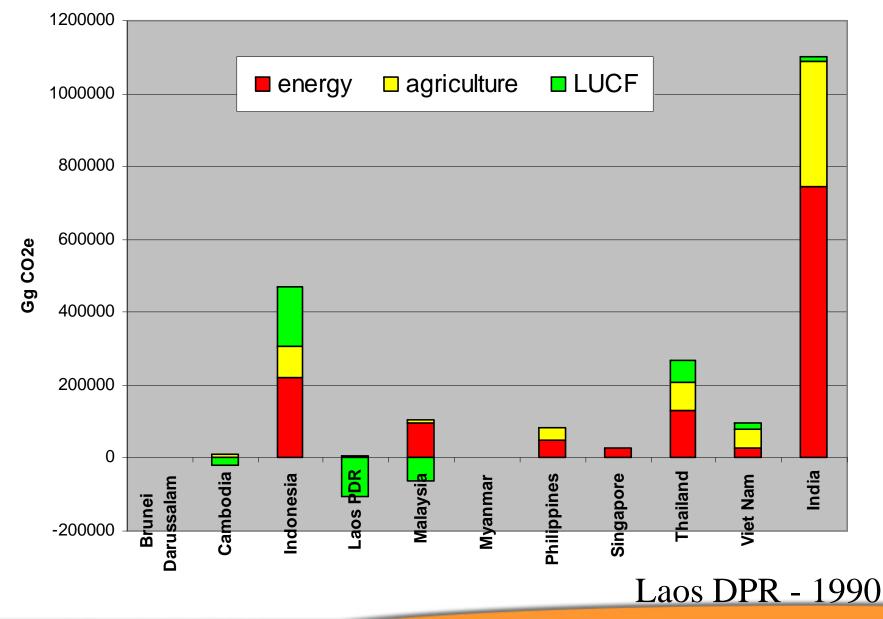
| Country | INC | SNC | |
|-------------------|------|------|--|
| Brunei Darussalam | | | |
| Cambodia | 1994 | | |
| Indonesia | 1994 | 2000 | |
| Laos PDR | 1990 | | |
| Malaysia | 1994 | 2000 | |
| Myanmar | | | |
| Philippines | 1994 | | |
| Singapore | 1994 | 2000 | |
| Thailand | 1994 | 2000 | |
| Viet Nam | 1994 | 2000 | |
| India | 1994 | 2000 | |



Main Sectoral Emissions, 1994



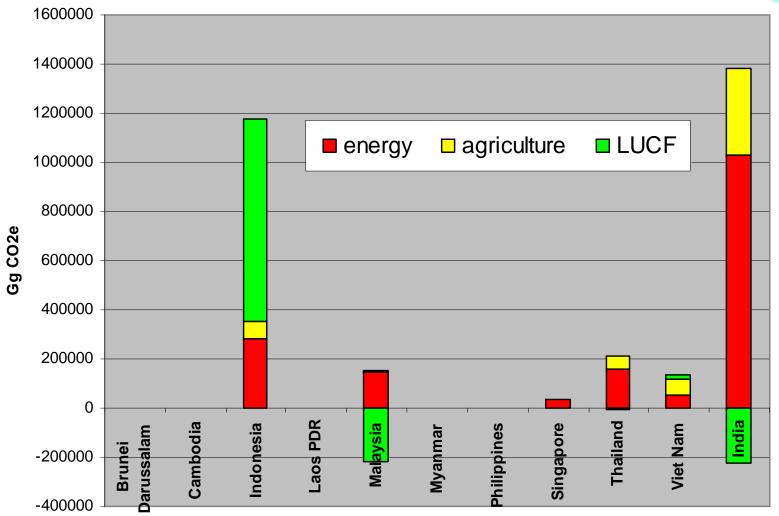






2000, SNC





LUCF in almost all countries is becoming a larger relative sink during 1994-2000, except Indonesia.



- LUCF, energy and agriculture are key sectors contributing around 95-98% emissions across countries
- Some very quick "key source analysis"
- Sub-sectors to focus for NAMAs and LoCAR initiatives?
 - LUCF: change in forest and other woody biomass
 - LUCF: Forest and grassland conversion
 - Energy: energy industries (power and refineries)
 - Energy: road transport
 - Energy: fugitive emissions from oil and gas
 - Agriculture: rice cultivation
 - Agriculture: livestock (enteric fermentation and manure management)



| Countries | NATCOM | Emission factors used | | |
|-----------|--------|--|--|--|
| Combodia | INC | Revised 1996 IPCC default | | |
| Indonesia | INC | IPCC guidelines | | |
| Indonesia | SNC | An uncertainty analysis was conducted | | |
| | | (Tier 1) following the Good Practice | | |
| | | Guidance (GPG, 2000). The levels of | | |
| | | uncertainty for activity data and emission | | |
| | | factors were assessed based on expert | | |
| | | judgment and consultation with the Centre | | |
| | | for Data and Information in the related | | |
| | | sectors | | |





| Countries | NATCOM | Emission factors used |
|-----------|--------|--|
| Laos PDR | INC | IPCC default emission factors |
| Malaysia | INC | Rice (Thailand EF), all others IPCC default. |
| Malaysia | SNC | The emission factor for rice fields is taken |
| | | from Thailand, as the types of paddy grown |
| | | and the growing methods used were quite |
| | | similar to those of Malaysia. |





Countries NATCOM Emission factors used

| Philippines | INC | Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines provide |
|-------------|-----|--|
| | | activity data and emission factors for the |
| | | various sectors of concern, local values |
| | | were used in place of these data whenever |
| | | possible. |

IRRI Default Parameter Values and Methane Emission Factor for Rice Paddy Cultivation

| Water Management Regime | Season length (days) | Methane EF (kg/ha/day) |
|----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Irrigated | 114 | 2.3 |
| Rainfed | 113 | 0.4 |





| Countries | NATCOM | Emission factors used |
|-----------|--------|------------------------------------|
| Singapore | INC | IPCC default Emission factors used |
| Singapore | SNC | (Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines) |

| Countries | NATCOM | Emission factors used |
|-----------|--------|--|
| Thailand | INC | Inventory of the greenhouse gases followed |
| Thailand | SNC | the 1996 IPCC Revised Guidelines. Local |
| | | emission factors are applied where |
| | | available. |

• E.g. methane emissions from paddy fields without fertilizer application vary from 7.49 Gg/sq m to 35.23 Gg/sq m.





| Countries | NATCOM | Emission factors used |
|-----------|--------|--|
| Viet Nam | INC | 1996 IPCC default emission factors (1996 |
| | | Revised Guidelines) |
| Viet Nam | SNC | Same |

Values of Seasonal Integrate Flow (SIF) of rice paddy with organic and inorganic fertilizers in North Viet Nam

| Water management regime | Water managementConstantly floodedregimeirrigation | | Rainfed | |
|-------------------------|--|------|---------|--|
| SIF (g/m^2) | 37.5 | 18.8 | 30 | |



Indian Efforts



- Tier-3: 7% emissions estimated by tier-3 methodology in INC (1994), 12% for 2000 and 2007
- Country specific EF: 26% source categories used CS EF in 1994, 35% for 2000 and 2007
- The emission factors used in INC and SNC are a mix of default emission factors available in the IPCC publications (1996, 2000, 2003, and 2006) and country-specific emission factors.
- EF measurements conducted for many sources and in almost all sectors



- National system establishment for continuous inventory preparation (BUR and NC)
 - Sharing best international and regional practices
 - Training workshops
 - Software (IPCC 2006)
- QA/QC across regions and countries
 - Creating a pool of experts
 - Training



Some Suggestions



- Activity data uncertainty exists (could be as high as 50% for some source categories)
- Secondary data based reduction of uncertainty
- Focused AD and EF measurement programmes required to enhance consistency, accuracy, transparency and completeness of data
- Time series activity data collation and synthesis
- Consistent framework development (e.g. for data archiving and sharing) for Inventory and LoCAR efforts
- Creating common emission factor database
- Bringing (and training) national GHG inventory compilers into LoCAR and vice versa



National Inventory Management System (NIMS) and LoCARNet Linkages

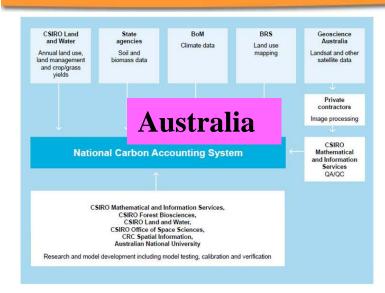


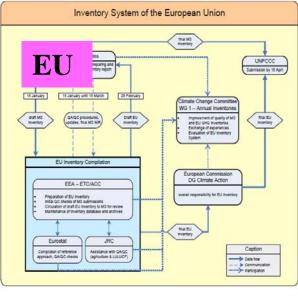
NIMS and LoCARNet

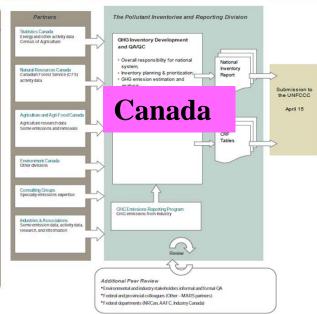
- NIMS is a dynamic system in place for continuous inventory preparation that -
 - Always meets all national reporting commitments to UNFCCC
 - Enhances inventory quality continuously (TACCC)
 - Develops and enhances institutional and human capacity for the same
- Linking NIMS and LoCARNet
 - Soft-linking preferred/ possible
 - Data validation protocols may require much deeper interactions
 - Inviting key national inventory compilers to LoCARNet discussions and workshops (?)
 - Continued institutional and expert level commitments
 - Methodology and software synchronization

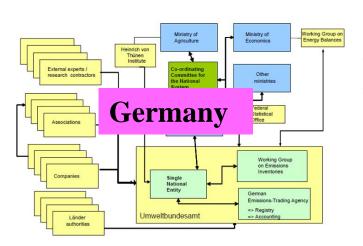


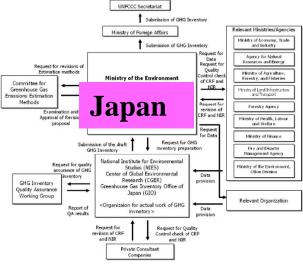
National Systems of Some Annex-1 Countries

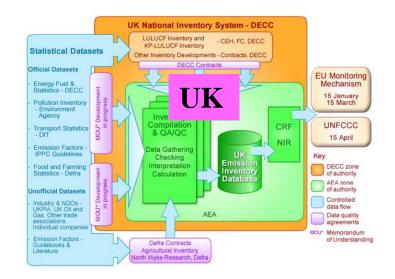












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Learning from Other NIMS

Nodal ministry: Normally national Environment Ministry performs this function and has complete control Legal sanctity of inventory preparatory process: In most of the countries around the world, this is achieved through an act of parliament/decree of nodal ministry.

Sectoral inventory responsibilities: Most of the countries follow a system wherein there is a Lead Institution for each sectoral inventory estimation, duly supported by sectoral expert institutions.

Main (activity) data suppliers: A mix of government departments, government controlled institutions, industry associations and private parties.

Who checks inventory quality?: in-country experts Who manages Data archiving systems: NIMS nodal agency



Learning from Other NIMS

Software used for preparing inventory: Mostly UNFCCC CRF tables, as these are all Annex I countries who have to report annually as per UNFCCC reporting tables. Each country has developed its own inventory systems and software. German and UK systems are more user friendly, while Japan and USA systems are detailed and complex. IPCC 2006 software are available and good. **IPCC methodology followed:** 1996 revised guidelines, GPG LULUCF -2003, 2000 GPG, 2006 GLs **Timelines for inventory cycle:** Tight monthly monitoring with specific dates provided to each participating institution for each stage. These are for annual inventory reporting. BUR is biennial.

Linking GHG Inventory and LoCARNet through NAMAs



What are NAMAs?

- **Nationally:** Implementation at national level (host country)
- Appropriate: Relevant in the national circumstances (nations define their own NAMAs)
- Mitigation: of greenhouse gas emissions (co-benefits?)
- Actions: Implemented through various programmes

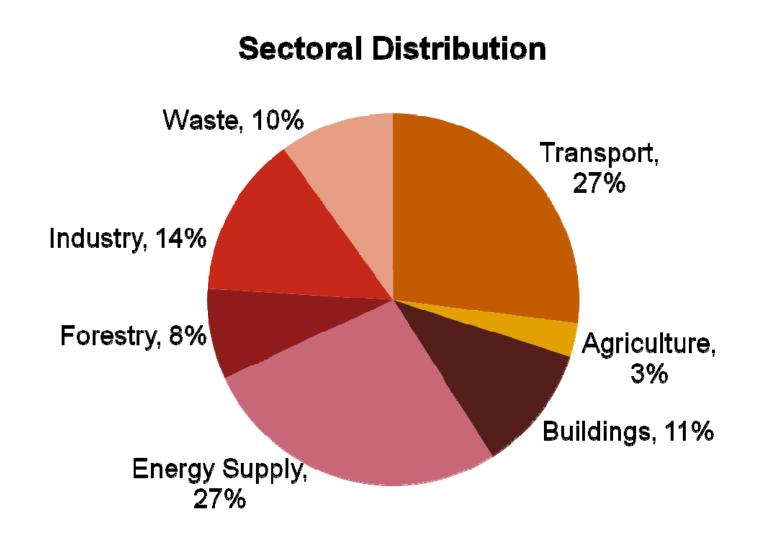


Types of NAMAs

- Differentiation is in Action aspects
- Unilateral NAMAs: Supported and entirely financed by Host country
- **Supported NAMAs:** Supported internationally
- Market Based NAMAs: Generat carbon credits for the compliance market (similar to CDM)



Overview of NAMAs submitted to UNFCCC

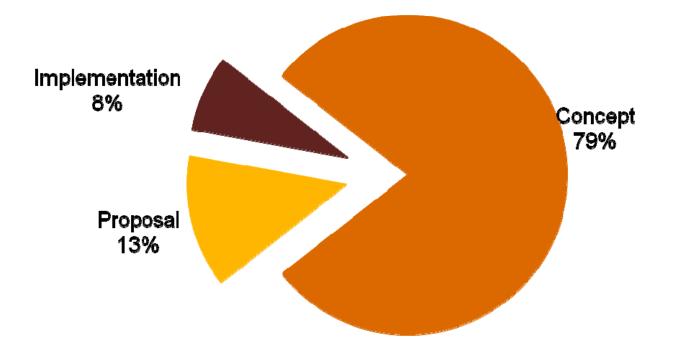




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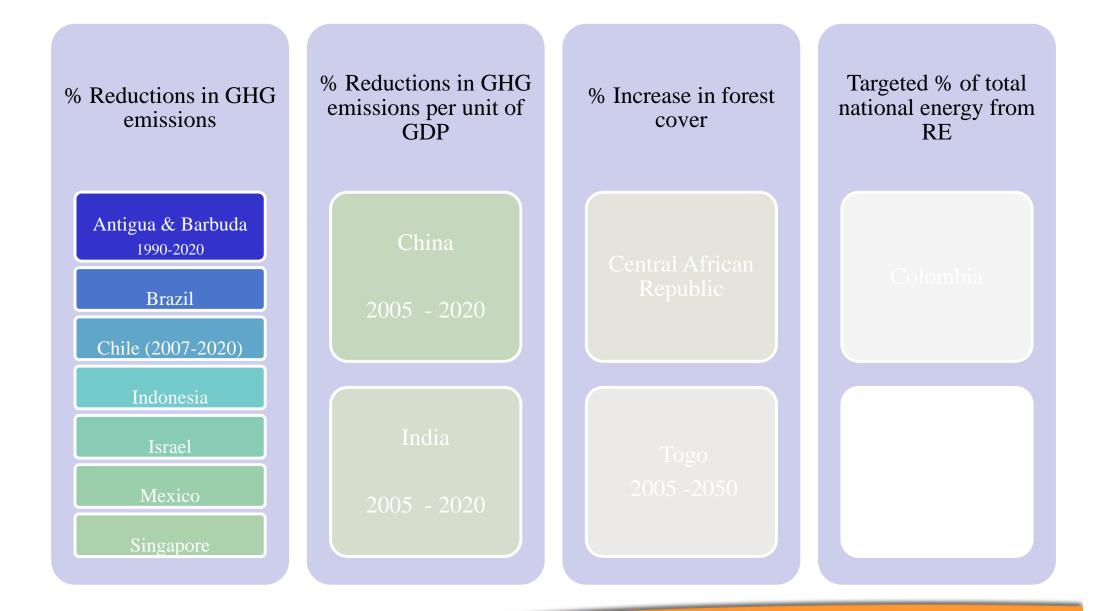
Concept: Submissions where currently only concepts have been provided

Proposal – submissions where measures have been proposed and are seeking finance

Implementation – submissions where actual implementation has started



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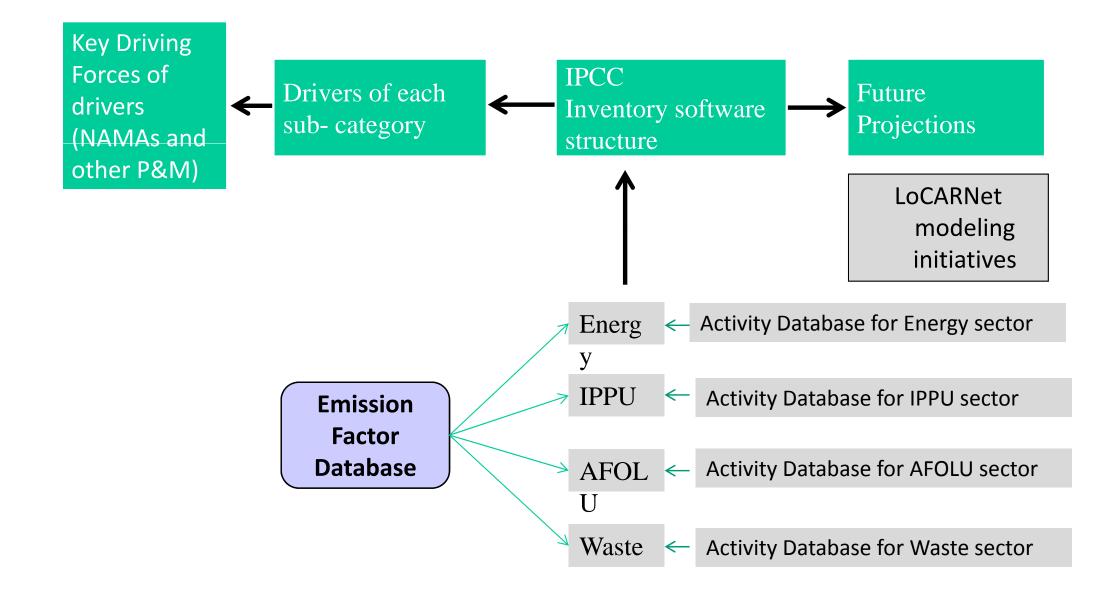
Programme of Activities CDM and NAMAs

- **PoA Projects (as on 01.06.2012) Projects in pipeline** : 372 **Total Registered projects** :27 **PoA distribution by type** Number of CDM PoAs starting the public comments Coal Mine period each month Fossil fuel Methane switch 40 Forestry & 1.3% Transport 1.3% Agriculture_ 1.1% 0.5% Wind Geothermal 6.5% 0.3% EE supply side **Projects** 10 2 EE demand 1.9% side 29.8% **Biomass** energy ę 4.6% Number Hydro. Number of PoAs. Solar Waste 11.3% 18.5% 22.8%
- 3685 ktCO2/yr registered for 1st period
- CERs not issued for any project yet

Mitigation activities targeted by NAMAs

| Agriculture | Buildings | Energy Supply | Forestry | Industry | Transport | Waste |
|--|---|--|--|---|---|--|
| Use of efficient technology in agriculture Land use change in peat lands to reduce decompositio n | Solar water heaters Efficient lighting Use of efficient equipment | Renewable energy projects Increase in % share of renewable energy | Sustainable forest manageme nt Afforestati on Use of efficient fuelwood stoves | Energy efficient equipment Reduction in energy intensity | Truck to rail projects Increase in share of public transport Better transit/traffic management systems Electric vehicles | Industrial waste treatment Waste management programmes Waste to energy |







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