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## CCWG QUARTERLY MEETING

- **Time & Date:** 14:00 – 15:30, 31 August 2021
- **Participants:** CCWG members (23 participants)
- **Coordination team:** Pham Thi Cam Nhung, Vu Quoc Anh, Khong Tuan Anh, Nguyen Ngoc Ha

### 1. Networking

### 2. CCWG introduction

#### **\*Mr. Khong Tuan Anh:**

- A brief overview of the program: The first is an introduction to refresh some key points about networking. This is followed by the current strategy from 2018-2024 and the latest climate policy updates and discussions. Moving on to CCWG activities in 2021 and hoping to hear more from members about their own activities not only this year but much more in the years to come. How CCWG as a network can strategically shift focus to a more up-to-date version with current trends in the national and international environment. Then, concluding with WRI's presentation of their experience working on integrated socioeconomic and environmental impact assessments and a Q&A session.

#### **\*Ms. Pham Thi Cam Nhung- Introduce CCWG and its mission:**

- Background:

- CCWG was established from Feb, 2008 first initial hosted by CARE intl to Oxfam then WWF-Viet Nam with focuses on evidence, generation from the field, coordination, information exchange, capacity building and influencing policy.
- The network have +1.400 members on the mailing list. 12 core members. MOU with Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MONRE) and Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD)

- Main key points:

- **VISION:** Increase the living condition and climate change resilience for all citizens in Vietnam while reducing Vietnams contribution to Climate Change in an ambitious way to achieve a future that benefits all.
- **MISSION:** Positioning Climate action as a social just opportunity to develop Vietnam towards a resilient and low carbon future
- **APPROACH:** Connect the different and urgent topics of Climate Change from an international, national to the provincial level and vice versa.
- 4 action points.

### 3. CCWG activities from 2021

#### **\*Mr. Khong Tuan Anh-Update on CCWG activities in 2021**

- First half of 2021:

- Organize a mid-year workshop to update and share information about current status of NDCISP (WB), NCCS and others CC related projects (Aug 2021)
- Communication Campaign on CCWG's Support to the Successful Implementation of the Paris Agreement in Viet Nam Visual production to recap the activity (Apr-Jun 2021)

- Adaptation training for CCWG core members (NBS, uNBS, EbA) (Jul 2021)
- On going activities:
  - Advocating gender integration into NAP with the Gender Working Group
  - Position paper about adaptation for COP26 (Sep 2021)
    - Need comments and feedback.
    - Planning for 2 consultation workshop in Sep for more inputs and share of good practices from members.
    - Currently working with ACCC and CANSEA and with a outsource consultant to develop the paper
  - Organize a training course on climate change response focusing on M&E capacity building for member (Sep 2021)
    - On the process of looking for a trainer and need more advice.
  - Pre-COP26 conference about the implementation plan of PA, NDC, National Strategy or other relevant advocacy workshop (Oct 2021)
  - With the help from SRD hopefully can attend a side event at COP 26.

**\*Q&A on the activities:**

Individual/Organization	Question	Answer
<b>Ms. Nguyet (Live &amp; Learn)</b>	Do we plan to have any action on the new IPCC report? Also with the chance in negotiation for CC this year, especially with strong commitment from the US government, there can be some linkage and new update with the local.	For the first half of the year we haven't planned for the IPCC update. But there will be linkage with the DCC for upcoming events that will share later in the discussion part.
<b>Ms. Trang (FHI360)</b>	<p>- There're many efforts targeting to the COP26. Many other groups in VN such as Onehealth and Climate Change Alliance coordinated by Dr. Tran Tuan of RTCCD with similar direction with our network. So do we some infomation sharing with them to avoid overlap ideas? If we need help to connect, I can help for more cooperation.</p> <p>-FHI 360 is very willing to share presentation on Climate Finance at the side event of COP</p> <p>-Can we have more focus prespective on health issue? Can connect for a broader topic related to climate change.</p> <p>-We can join to support the development the virtual hub for the site events of CCWG</p>	<p>-UNFCCC only limited number of participants and have very limited space for side events. CCWG and SRD have to join with 4 other organisations to arrage a side event. We would need to group up with the same kind of topic/ideas. Hopefully can join the side event, will try to bring the VN CSO voice with other countries/regions.</p> <p>-Planning for online media campaign but need more support and connection with groups that work under the same umberella. Maybe can do some online events but not ideal as the joint force way.</p> <p>-WWF-VN have some work for the health issue with Dr. Tuan and Mr. Trong An. So in the future if CCWG have more activities on this topic we'll keep in touch.</p>
<b>Richard Rastall (SNV)</b>	Many members can seeking for support and consultantion from the network. How do we decied what is climate change working group activities and what is not?	On the coordination mechanism and join planning for the activities of CCWG. We will have 2 types of activities: from the coordination team and from each members.

**\*Mr. Vu Quoc Anh-WWF activities leading to the COP26 and call for other members to share contribution:**

- Media campaign:
  - Activity 1: Short document film on COP26 (under “Tuong lai xanh” program on VTV1)
    - History of COP
    - COP topics and objectives
    - Negotiation contents and changes for VN at COP
    - Impacts on VN climate change policy
    - Perspective and expectation from COP26
      - ➔ Consulting with DCC and VTV for the content. Then would further notice members for inputs and short interviews for the film.
  - Activity 2: Pre-Cop 26 workshop
    - Content and objectives of Vietnam's negotiations at the COP to support the government's current economic policy and strategy, especially in the context of Covid
    - CSOs activities at COP26. Recommendations and approaches in responding to climate change and mobilizing financial resources in Vietnam
      - ➔ Can engage the IPCC report and implication
  - Activity 3: Side event no.1 at WWF Pavilion (first week of COP26)
    - Vietnam's updated NDC and efforts to enhance GHG reductions in the implementation phase
    - Mobilize the participation and resources of international partners to support Vietnam in implementing NDC and more ambitious GHG reduction results
  - Activity 4: Side event no.2 at COP 26 with support from Gender Working Group
    - The role of women and young people in implementing the Paris Agreement and responding to climate change in Vietnam
  - Activity 5: Online talkshow bridging between COP26 and Ha Noi (from Ha Noi, Nov 2021)
    - Update on key events and negotiation progress at COP
    - Commitments made in relation to the Paris agreement and the implementation of the NDC
    - Issues related to green development and experiences from other countries
    - Financial opportunities through COP26
  - Activity 6: Post COP26 event
    - Share negotiation results at COP26, new global policies and opportunities for Vietnam to successfully implement PA and NDC
      - ➔ Active core members to present instead of the chair person
- Consultation from members:

Individual/Organization	Inputs/Comments	Feedback
Richard Rastall (SNV)	-Happy to join in-term of agenda, inputs for position paper, stimulate private investment, can only join COP onl => pre head up for the main discussion at COP to members. -Consultation on gender intergration NDC at subnational level. How can we really engage climate change in partical actions (fund raising, run, charity...)	

<b>Ms. Hop (SRD)</b>	- SRD up to this point certainly find it difficult to attend COP26. So how can we attend online?	-Try to connect and livestream. -Trang (FHI 360): construction of a technical hub
<b>Ms. Trang (FHI360)</b>	-On the topic of strengthen the voices of young people. I would like to join force on the media campaign leading to COP26. - In terms of capacity building training, climate change finance is also interested in participating in financial support efforts such as roundtable discussions. More on the relationship of nature, climate change and human health, we also want to promote this topic in future CCWG activities.	
<b>Phuong (CCCSC)</b>	-Implementation of mitigation activities, research and implementation. There will be a contest to increase awareness in reducing waste (from September to the end of 2021). Should share activities among members	-We have connect with local partners and will be future direction.
<b>Tuan-Dung Hoang-VNU Hanoi</b>	-We work in academe, not sure how we can engage in your activities and works. -Before this meeting, I joined a meeting with my former univ. in Japan, and have learnt that Japan aims to be a carbon neutral nation by 2050, hope you can do something to influence MONRE about this	

#### 4. CCWG strategy update

\*Ms. Pham Thi Cam Nhung- Introduce CCWG current strategy and needs to update the strategy:

CCWG's advocacy objectives until 2024?



Positioning Climate action as an social just opportunity to develop Vietnam towards a resilient and low carbon future.



The Government integrates, resources & implements community-based adaptation and/or mitigation initiatives in at least 22 provinces at risk by 2020.



Advocate for most ambitious mitigation targets based on remaining carbon budget for the targets (with international support)



Position CCWG as a reliable and supportive partner in the field of climate action for the relevant governmental institutions



Position inclusive renewable energy, gender equality and resilient community champions as a blueprint to protect & increase living conditions communities at high risk

- Advocacy tactics

- Raise awareness about the importance of community based adaptation/mitigation approach in planning and implementing climate change policies
- by developing common positions and recommendations from civil society organizations

- by researching and disseminating information best practices and successful CBI models in Vietnam
  - by engaging with key ministries and pm's to influence relevant key national policies/program and their implementation
- Advocacy Opportunities And Target:
- MONRE: NDC revision
  - All related ministries: Linking SDG and NDC
  - MARD: Climate Change Action Plan, New Rural Development program, Sustainable Agriculture Program for Mekong Delta to 2030
  - MOIT: Power Development Plan 8
  - MPI: Green Growth Strategy

**\*Q&A on the strategy:**

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<b>Tuan-Dung Hoang-VNU Hanoi</b>	<p>-We work in academe, not sure how we can engage in your activities and works. There're some difficulty to find funding for us so it would be great if CCWG can have some practical activites.</p> <p>-Before this meeting, I joined a meeting with my former univ. in Japan, and have learnt that Japan aims to be a carbon neutral nation by 2050, hope you can do something to influence MONRE about this</p>	
<b>Ms. Hop (SRD)</b>	<p>-On the 4 blocks. Mitigation already have many sectors such as in agriculture and forestry need to revise. Need more consultation session with core members. The focus on renewable energy need adjustment</p>	
<b>Phuong Ngo (SCODE)</b>	<p>-In which provinces do I plan to implement these 22 provinces? Do you work in Quang Tri?</p>	<p>Will update later</p>
<b>Mr. Huy (Oxfam)</b>	<p>-We need to introduce a new context and climate during and after Covid. CCWG's journey begins with local activities with many adaptation projects. We then move to adaptation advocacy then to mitigation advocacy. This partly shows the trend and interest of donors. With the impact of the pandemic, we need more community solutions, rebuild resilience at the community level. But still need to match the funding sources, so it is possible to carry out the promotion along with the government's side, mobilise the financial resources.</p>	<p>- We'll have the adjustment by this year and a more clear revision by 2022.</p> <p>- We'll have survey to gather more feedback from CCWG members.</p>
<b>Ms. Nguyet (Live &amp; Learn)</b>	<p>-Also agree and we should look at the broader picture and trend of the international community</p> <p>-Re-organise the mapping session to increase resonance from the members.</p>	
<b>Dao Thu Trang (FHI360)</b>	<p>-G7 summit's commitment is related to CC and mentions using One Health as the approach to performing recovery actions</p> <p><a href="https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-">https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-</a></p>	

### 5. Presentation from the World Resources Institute- Dr. Andrea Bassi

- Members would like to connect for more informations.
- Have capture all Green house gases emission based on the IPCC report.

### 6. Closing

