

MRV Talking Points (Bonn 2011)

- Bonn is a key moment to make progress on MRV issues. While there are a great many political issues at play, work on some technical issues needs to begin now.
- Parties should agree on the structure, timing, and content of the workshops that are needed to discuss new or enhanced elements of MRV in the coming months. These workshops should be informed by existing submissions of Parties and observers, and should involve calling for further submissions.
- Priority areas for the content of workshops include:
 - Guidelines for the biennial reports, in particular the timing, content, structure, and relationship to national communications; biennial reports will be vital for the 2013-2015 review process. Support (finance, technology, and capacity building) must be provided for enhancing developing country reporting processes.
 - Elaboration of common accounting rules for measuring developed country targets, a common reporting format for finance, and reporting on other developed country support, such as technology transfer and capacity building.
 - IAR/ICA processes. Parties should begin developing rules for these processes this year, and complete work no later than COP 18.
 - A robust system for monitoring and reporting on REDD+ activities and providing information on how safeguards are addressed and respected, and how these processes fit into the overall reporting framework.