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**Foundation and necessity for the development of
Government's Decree on Roadmap and Measures
for Vietnam to participate in the global GHG
emission reductions**

Kick-off Consultative Workshop on

**Formulation of the Government Decree on Roadmap for GHG Emission Reduction
~ Ensuring Effectiveness of Nationally Determined Contributions of Vietnam ~**

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Vietnam's point of view on GHG emission reductions



- **Climate Change (CC) Response is a vital issue, and must be linked to sustainable development, towards a low- carbon economy;**
- **GHG emission reduction is the solution towards building a low-carbon economy, green growth and a modern industrial nation.**
- **Vietnam's NDC**
 - ❑ **Un-conditional target: By 2030, reduction of 8% of total GHG emission compared to BAU.**
 - ❑ **Conditional target with international support : By 2030, reduction of 25% of total GHG emission compared to BAU.**
- **The current status on CC negotiation is the best opportunity for Vietnam to perfect its institutional framework and improve the GHG emission reductions.**



International situation on improvement of GHG emission reductions

- **Reaffirm the goal of limiting global warming to below 2°C, calling for efforts to limit the increase to 1.5°C;**
- **Establish binding commitments on mitigation by all Parties through INDCs;**
- **Commit that all countries to regularly report on emissions' amounts and "progress in implementing" the NDC and to be monitored in accordance with international procedures;**
- **Commit to submit the updated NDC every 5 years in the expectation of having more progress;**
- **Reaffirm the binding obligation to developed countries to support the efforts of developing countries, encourage the voluntary contributions by developing countries;**



International situation on improvement of GHG emission reductions

- **Strengthen the target of raising \$100 billion per year in 2020- 2025, with a higher target for the post-2025 period;**
- **Expand the mechanisms to address "loss and damage" caused by climate change (including use of resources from mitigation);**
- **Require Parties to engage in international emissions trading and establish a domestic carbon market;**
- **Require the development of new carbon credit trading mechanisms, similar to CDM under Kyoto Protocol, allowing emission reductions in one country to be transferred into the NDC of another.**



International situation on improvement of GHG emission reductions



Requirements to Developing countries like Vietnam

1. A clearer commitment on GHG emission mitigation (as announced by the Prime Minister at COP21);
2. NDC needs to be updated, and planned for implementation → **needs to be finalized on the research and allocation of responsibilities and obligations to stakeholders;**
3. The process of mitigation should be monitored by international community → **there needs to be institutions and policies that meet both national and international requirements;**
4. To build a local carbon credit trading market and be ready to participate in international carbon market → **there needs to be legal documents on mitigation, allocation of mitigation targets and carbon valuation.**



Legal basis for the development of Decree on roadmap and measures for mitigation



1. **Jun. 23, 2014:** Law on Environmental Protection No. 55/2014/QH13 was adopted. **Article 41** stipulates on GHG emissions reductions → **There needs to be a Decree to detail on this.**
2. **Aug. 11, 2014:** **Decision No. 1338/QD-TTg** of the Prime Minister promulgates the list of legalization and the assigning of the agencies responsible for drafting the documents detailing the implementation of laws passed by the 13th National Assembly.
3. **Sept. 12, 2014:** MONRE issued **Official Letter No. 3914/BTNMT-KTTVBDKH** to submit to Prime Minister for permission to develop a decree on the roadmap and measures **after the Paris Agreement was approved;**



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4. **Sept. 30, 2015:** Vietnam has sent the NDC to the UNFCCC;
 5. **Dec. 2, 2015:** Prime Minister speaks at COP21, Paris, declaring Vietnam's contributions on mitigation;
 6. **Dec. 28, 2015:** MONRE submitted Official Letter No. 5586/BTNMT-KTTVBDKH to the Prime Minister for permission to develop a decree on the roadmap and measures in accordance with the process of implementing the Paris Agreement;
 7. **Jan. 21, 2016:** Prime Minister approves the development of the decree in accordance with the process of implementing the Paris Agreement (Official Letter No. 527/VPCP-KTN dated 21 Jan. 2016).



The importance of the Decree for the implementation of international requirements and domestic laws.



1. The Government Decree on the roadmap and measures on GHG mitigation will be **the strongest political commitment to the international community** after the Paris Agreement was approved by Vietnam.
2. The Decree will **clearly define the responsibilities** of the general agencies and the specialized agencies on emission reduction;
3. GHG mitigation targets (from the NDC) **will have legal bases for ministries, sectors and localities to develop the implementation plan and guidelines;**



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4. International requirements on updating, monitoring and evaluation will have **grounds for allocating responsibilities and resources to ministries, sectors and localities;**
 5. Ministries and sectors will have **grounds to develop specific technical guiding circulars;**
 6. **The domestic carbon trading mechanism and the legal framework for international carbon market entry will have a basis for development and implementation.**



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Thank you very much!

