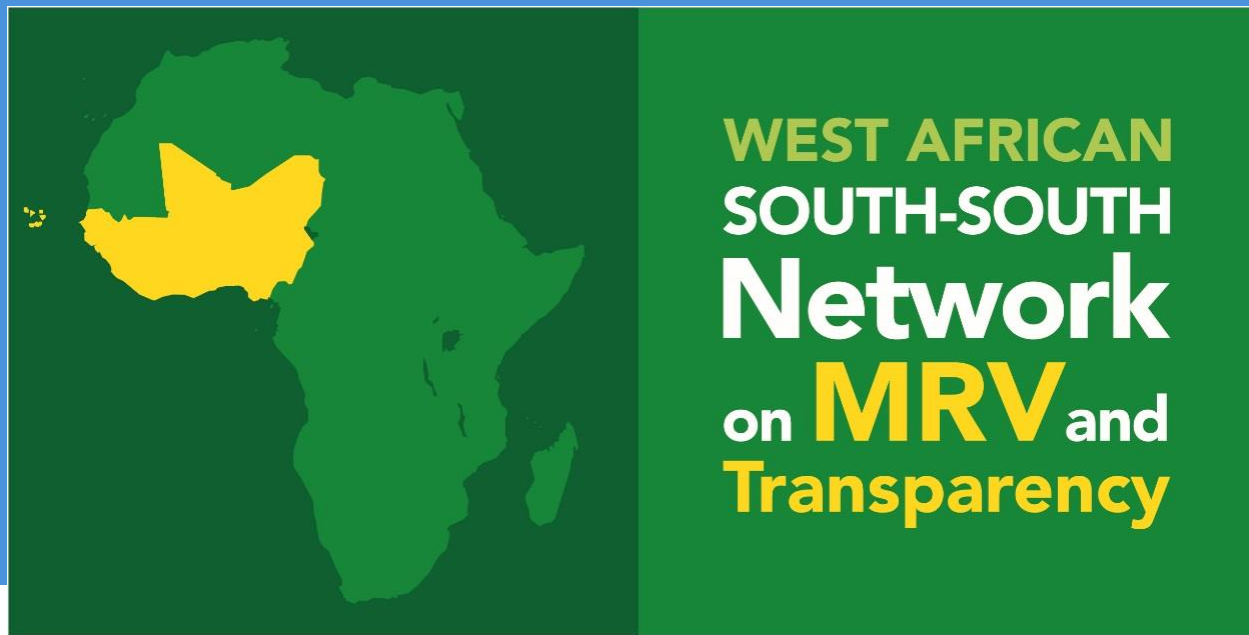


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The **vision**:

“Having an operational MRV systems by 2020 in the ECOWAS countries engaged in the Initiative”

The **objectives**:

- Facilitating the **exchange** of knowledge in the energy and AFOLU sectors;
- Supporting **capacity development** activities;
- Creating awareness within **national institutions** responsible for data collection, inventory compiling and inventory archiving.



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First annual meeting and creation of the Network (Lomé, 4-6 October 2016)

Main **challenges** identified:

- Need to set up the necessary institutional arrangements;
- Lack of technical capacities;
- Need to raise the awareness within the institutions responsible for the data collection/archiving.

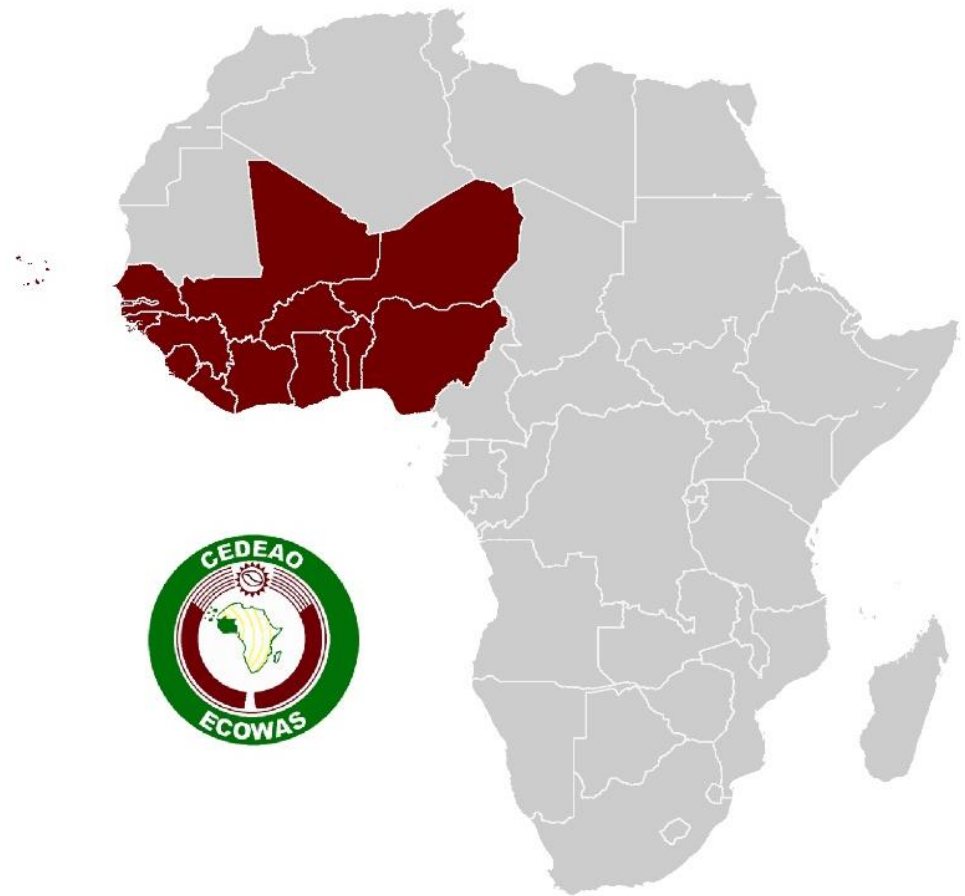
Main **solutions** identified:

- Identification of 2 focal points for each country officially engaged in the Network;
- Peer to peer learning through sharing of best practices;
- Sharing data (e.g. emission factors);
- Reinforcing technical capacities;
- Technical, logistical backstopping and/or financial support from UNDP/UNEP GSP, RCC Lomé, ECREEE, Agrhymet, UNFCCC Secretariat, BOAD and FAO.

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So far, **14 countries** in the ECOWAS region joined the Network, namely:

1. Benin
2. Burkina Faso
3. Cote d'Ivoire
4. The Gambia
5. Ghana
6. Guinea
7. Guinea-Bissau
8. Liberia
9. Mali
10. Niger
11. Nigeria
12. Senegal
13. Sierra Leone
14. Togo



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ACTIVITIES PERFORMED IN 2017:

- **Official engagement** of 2 national focal points from each of the 14 member countries;
- RCC Lomé covered the role of **coordinator**;
- Organization of **workshops** to share knowledge on MRV and transparency:
 - i. Two annual meetings of the MRV Network (Togo, Oct. 2016; Senegal, Oct. 2017);
 - ii. Sierra Leone: P2P learning from Ghana and Senegal on MRV and SBL (Mar. 2017);
 - iii. Liberia: P2P learning from Ghana and Senegal on MRV and SBL (Aug. 2017).
- Strengthening **capacity building**:
 - i. On line course series on 2006 IPCC Guideline Inventory;
 - ii. Webinar about ICA (Feb. 2017);
 - iii. Participation of 1 focal point, Dr. Tiangoua Kone from Cote d'Ivoire, to the CASTT (Rep. of Korea, Jul. 2017).



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ACTIVITIES PERFORMED IN 2018:

RCC Lomé covers the role of **coordinator**, collecting information about national MRV systems to facilitate P2P collaborations;

The activities carried out within the Network are subdivided into three thematic areas:

1. Peer-to-peer collaborations;
2. Capacity building activities;
3. Network management and visibility actions.



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1. Peer to peer collaborations

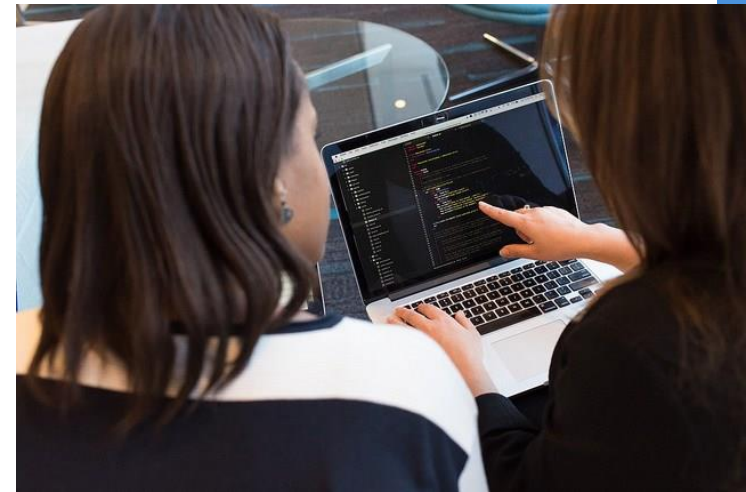
a) 3 Quality Assurances (QAs) of the National Greenhouse Gas Inventory Management System and National Greenhouse Gas Inventories of:

1. Ghana (March 2018);
2. Benin (October 2018);
3. Nigeria (November 2018).

QA according the "Guide for Peer Review of National GHG Inventories" and implemented by UNDP GSP, UNFCCC, FAO, international and African consultants.

b) Assessment of national MRV systems.

Sending the template concerning the state of the national MRV system to the 14 countries of the Network to better understand gaps and needs.



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2. Capacity building activities (1/2):

- a) New members of the IPCC 2006 Guidelines course.
So far, more than 30 experts from West Africa are inscribed in online trainings about 2006 IPCC guidelines (courses managed by GHG Management Institute).
- b) UNFCCC-GIR- Climate Action and Support Transparency Training Programme on Greenhouse Gases in South Korea on GHG Inventory Compilation
Members of the Network were advised of the opportunity to participate in the UNFCCC-GIR-CASTT Program on GHG training, which was scheduled for June and July 2018.
1 focal point from Senegal (Mr. Lamine Diatta) participated to the training.
- c) Organization of 3 webinars on MRV.
 - 1. Good practices and lessons learned: Reporting information on financial support needed and received in NC/BUR (November 2018);
 - 2. MRV Systems and Database (November 2018);
 - 3. CGE webinar on institutional arrangements for the MRV process (April 2018).

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2. Capacity building activities (2/2):

- d) Organization of the meeting in Cameroon of the Francophone Cluster (May 2018).

Support for the organization of the meeting attended by 8 countries that are members of the Network (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cote d'Ivoire, Guinea, Mali, Niger, Senegal, Togo).

- e) Organization of the CGE meeting held in Lome (July 2018)

Support for the organization of the meeting and set up of two P2P activities in Mali and Burkina Faso, in collaboration with other MRV Network members.



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3. Managing the Network and raising the visibility

a) Annual meeting in Istanbul (Sept. 2018)

To define the strategy for the first half of 2019 with UNDP GSP, UNFCCC and RCC Lome.

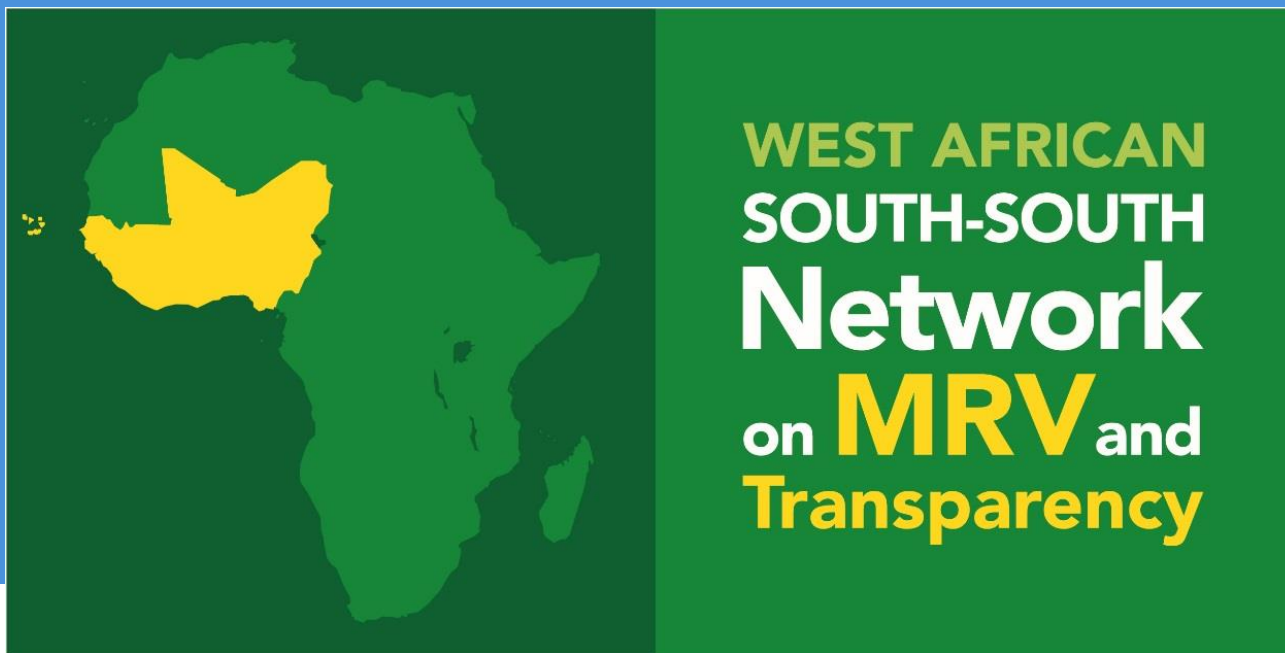
b) Advertising to the GSP and the Network.

Promotion of the UNDP GSP and RCC Lome action during meetings and workshops

- Ghana, March 2018, at the QA review on GHG inventories;
- Kenya, April 2018, to the Africa Carbon Forum;
- Tchad, April 2018, at the workshop on MRV and SBL;
- Germany, April 2018, at the CBIT Berlin with Cote d'Ivoire (Richemond Assie);
- Tanzania, May 2018, at the regional MRV development with Ghana (Daniel Benefor);
- Liberia, July 2018, at the GEF SBL meeting;
- Togo, July 2018, at the CGE meeting in Lome;
- Benin, Oct. 2018, at the QA review on GHG inventories;
- Cameroon, Nov. 2018, at North, Central and West Africa Workshop on MRV Development (Babacar Sarr)
- Nigeria, Nov. 2018, at the QA review on GHG inventories



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