



# National Emissions Baselines: Summary for closing plenary

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# Context

- Update on lessons learned from joint workstream on good practice by Danish Energy Agency, UNEP Risø and OECD
  - ◆ Presentations on baseline experience in India, China and Chile
- Discussion document putting forward options for guidelines for various elements of baseline discussion
  - ◆ Comments on options from Mexico, Thailand and MAPS Director

# Areas of convergence

- Important to clarify purpose of guidelines as well as purpose of baselines themselves (national planning or international relevance)
- Distinguishing between guidance for baseline reporting (transparency) and baseline setting process
- Convergence that some form of guidance is useful, possibly as “guidelines that reflect good practice for policy development”
- Further work could:
  - ◆ Build in experience with Annex I projections
  - ◆ Further develop guidance options based on existing good practice

# Areas of less convergence

- To what extent should guidelines be used to assess pledges made under UNFCCC?
- Should we focus just on collating good/best practice instead of formal guidelines?
- Can we consider national baseline separately to crediting baselines for markets?
- Can we ever be clear about what is the “right” projected baseline, or should we try to move away from pledges measured against BAU?