HOW TO BEST SHAPE THE UNCAC IRM FOR ITS 2ND PHASE?

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MAIN ATTRIBUTES OF THE 2ND PHASE

The 2nd phase of the implementation review mechanism should be:

• **Effective** - tackle real problems, come to the point

• **Practical** – show what to do with the results, make an impact

• **Simple**
EFFECTIVENESS - STRUCTURE

• Keep the current structure and sequence from the 1st Phase - 2 cycles (Chapters III and IV, Chapters II and V)
• The reviews will clearly show what progress or step-backs have been made
• Not repeat the entire review like in the 1st Phase
EFFECTIVENESS - RECOMMENDATIONS

• Focus on findings and recommendations from the 1st Phase – see whether they have been fulfilled

• Potentially have a template with the recommendations and findings on one side, and on the other side see how they have been met
EFFECTIVENESS - DEVELOPMENTS

• Explore new developments – appeared either as a result of the 1st Phase reviews, or without any connection to the reviews, as a national (or regional / international) initiative

• New developments can be both positive and negative
The 2nd Phase should focus on follow-up, on progress, to help improve the situation.

The review could have a general part with questions identical for all States Parties, and a specific part with questions tailor-made to each State Party.

Focus on what is important for the situation of the State Party under review.
PRACTICALITY - IMPORTANCE

• The review should not be just about filling-in the checklists, it should have practical impacts.
• Help to show the importance of the issues to the country under review.
• Help the focal point / experts / Ministry to present the necessary changes to the Government / Parliament.
• Not just legislative changes, but a practical implementation of the Convention.
PRACTICALITY – COUNTRY VISITS

• Importance of country visits – the most practical part of the IRM – all institutions and agencies involved are present and get to know about the review

• Significant role of civil society, NGOs etc. – bring in practical points of view
PRACTICALITY – PRESENTATION

• To emphasize the importance of a review it would be beneficial to present briefly the results (executive summary) in the IRG Plenary

• No cross-examination of the State Party under review, the review would be completed then, but a presentation of good and bad practices, some recommendations

• Brings more attention of the State Party under review as well as of others (help / inspire)

• Transparency (also a press release)
SIMPLICITY

• Not a subject of this session but briefly 😊:
  - a simpler checklist
  - keep the word version (IT solution)
  - shorter time-frames (possible if the checklist is easier)

• A crucial role of the UNCAC Secretariat - all can be achieved only with its invaluable assistance
NEW WORKPLAN

• Provides a possibility to discuss the modalities of the 2nd Phase in details
• We need the sessions proposed to have time to set all the specificities
• Be ready for the COSP in 2025
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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