

# Response Measures in the UNFCCC Context

Reporting on the Impacts of Response Measures – Ghana Case Study

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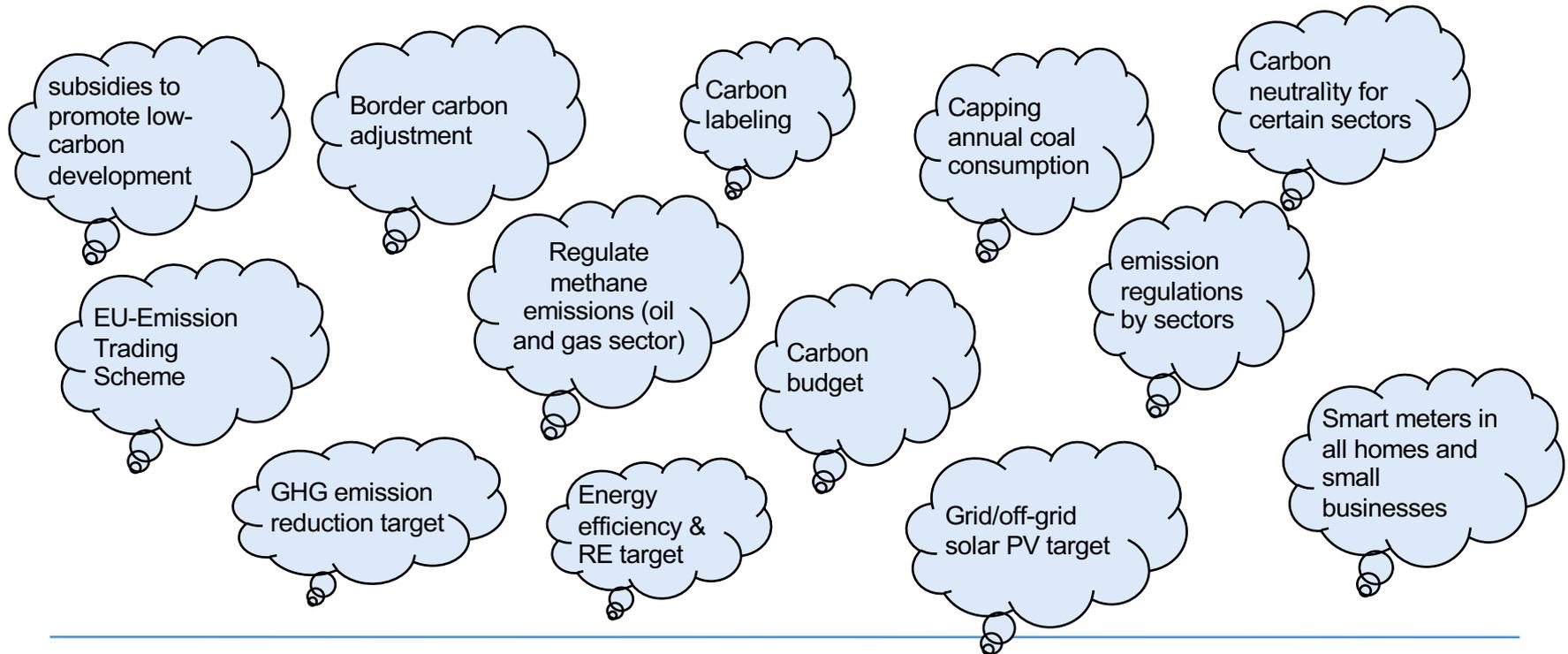
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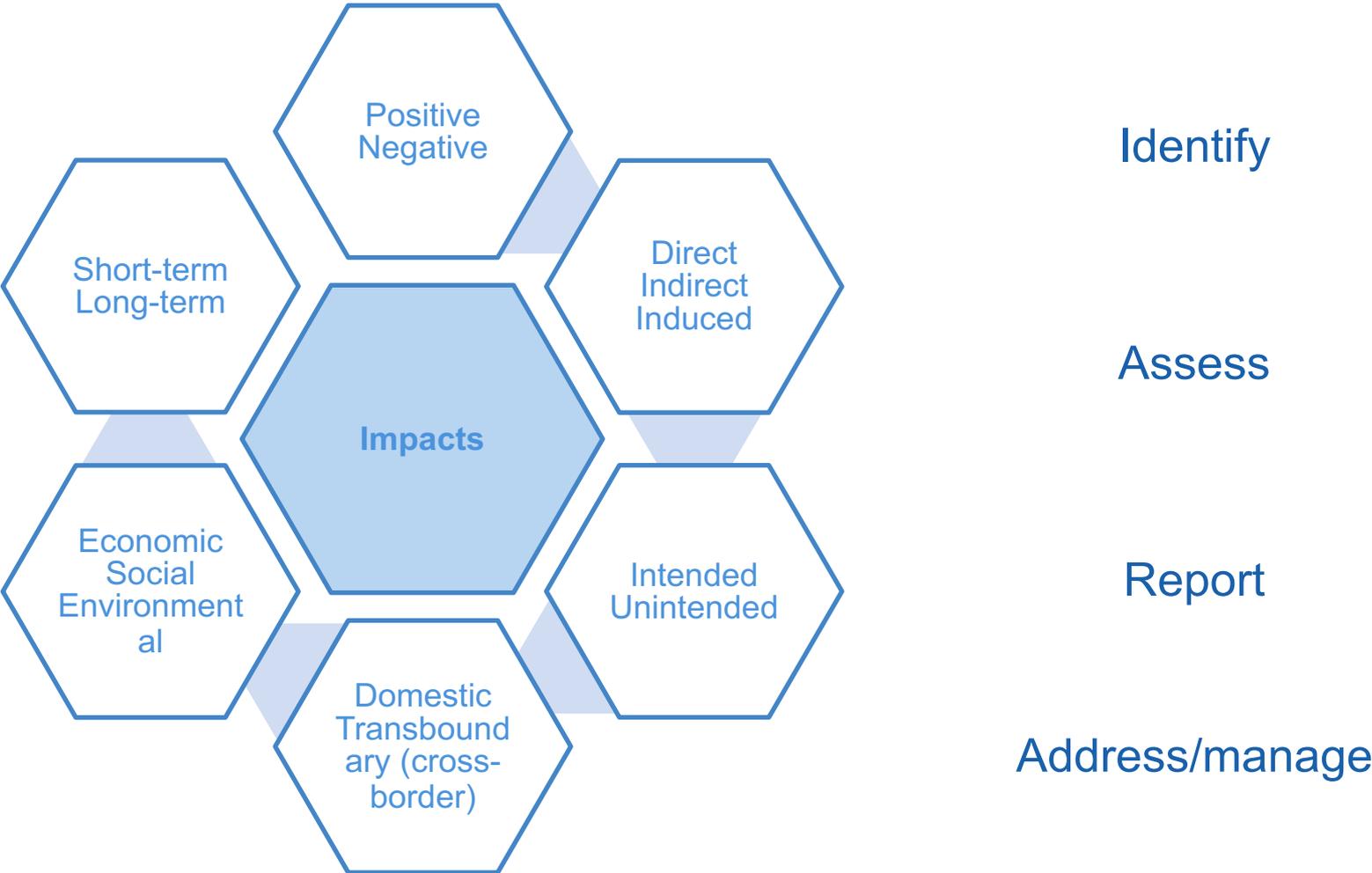
# Response Measures: What it is!

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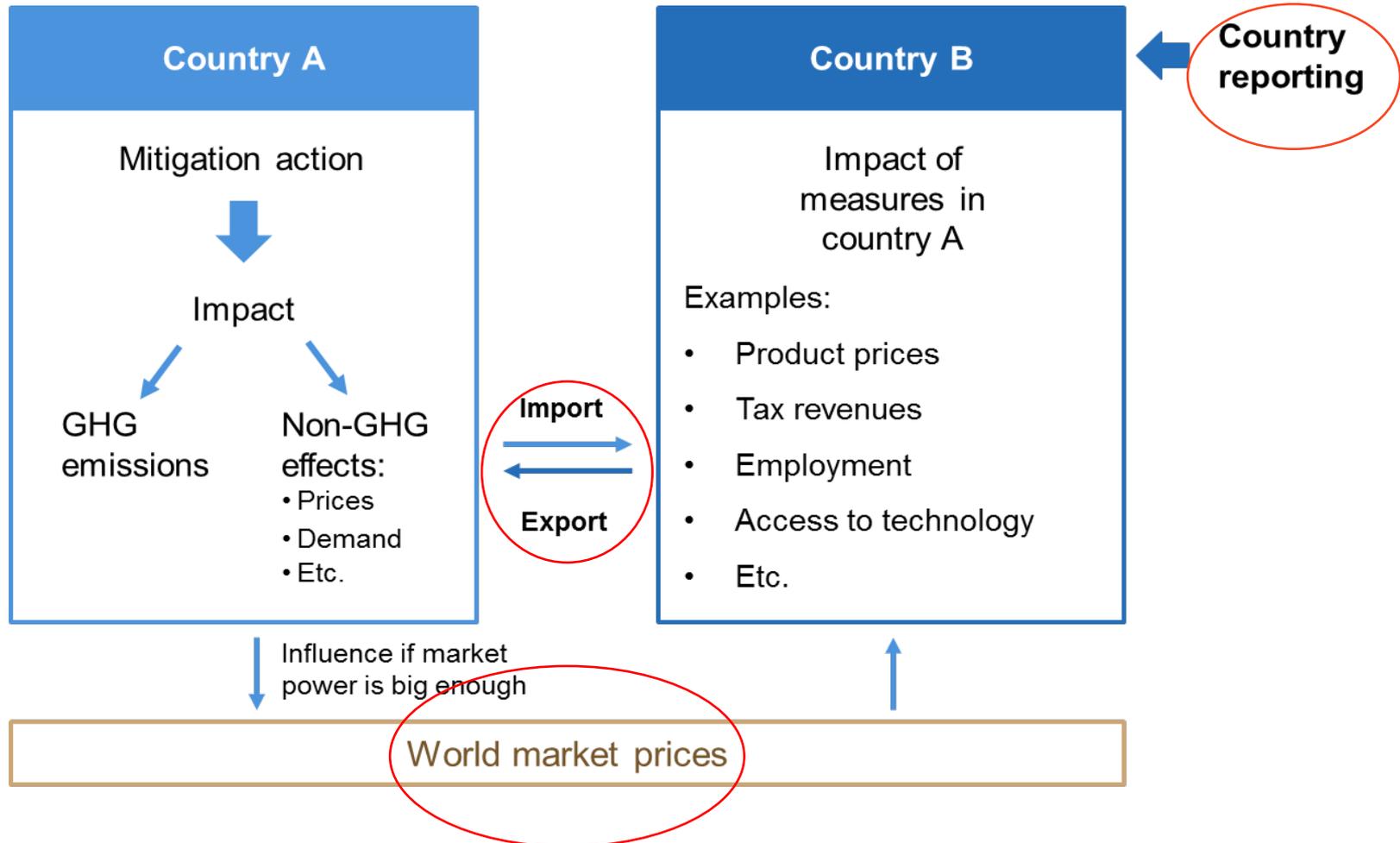
- Impacts of implementation of response measures is understood under the Convention as the effects arising from the implementation of **mitigation actions** taken by Parties under the Convention and now the Paris Agreement



# Types of impacts of response measures



# Impacts of RM: The Need of the time



Developing country Parties are encouraged to report on impacts received from implementation of response measures by developed countries



# Provisions under the Convention

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- ❑ In the implementation of their commitments, Parties shall give full consideration to what actions are necessary under the Convention, including actions related to funding, insurance and the transfer of technology, to meet the specific needs and concerns of developing country Parties arising from the impact of the implementation of response measures (**Article 4.8**)
- ❑ The Parties should cooperate to promote a supportive and open international economic system that would lead to sustainable economic growth and development in all Parties, particularly developing country Parties, thus enabling them better to address the problems of climate change. Measures taken to combat climate change, including unilateral ones, should not constitute a means of arbitrary or unjustifiable discrimination or a disguised restriction on international trade (**Article 3.5**)



# Provisions under the Kyoto Protocol

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- ❑ The Parties included in Annex I shall strive to implement policies and measures in such a way as to minimize adverse effects, including the adverse effects of climate change, effects on international trade, and social, environmental and economic impacts on other Parties, especially developing country Parties and in particular those identified in Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9, of the Convention, taking into account Article 3 of the Convention. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to this Protocol may take further action, as appropriate, to promote the implementation of the provisions of this paragraph. (**Article 2.3**)
- ❑ Each Party included in Annex I shall strive to implement the commitments in such a way as to minimize adverse social, environmental and economic impacts on developing country Parties, particularly those identified in Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9, of the Convention (**Article 3.14**)



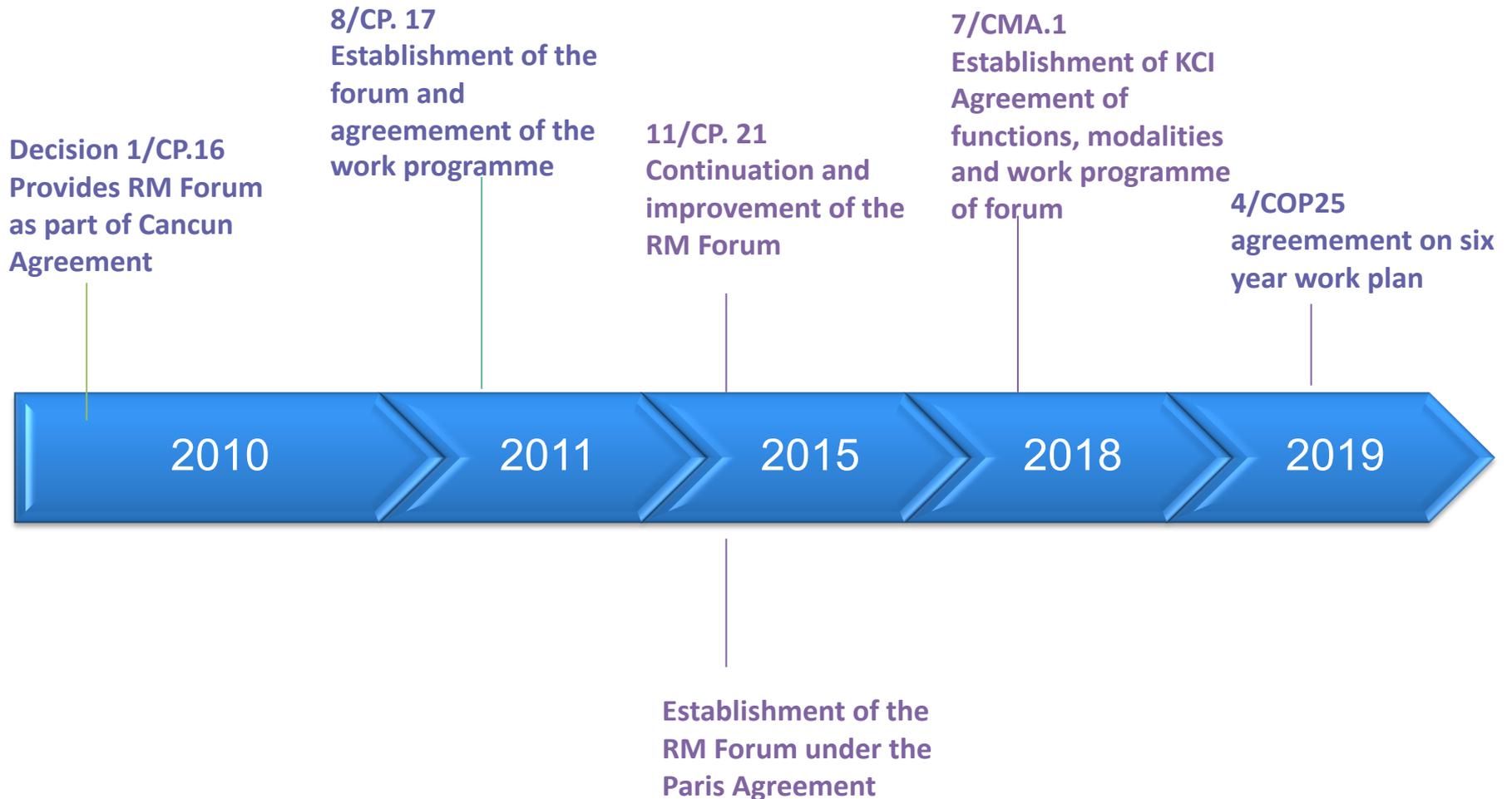
# Recognition and provisions under the Paris Agreement

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- ❑ Recognizes that Parties may be affected not only by climate change, but also by the impacts of the measures taken in response to it;
- ❑ Takes into account the imperatives of a just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs in accordance with nationally defined development priorities;
- ❑ Parties shall take into consideration in the implementation of this Agreement the concerns of Parties with economies most affected by the impacts of response measures, particularly developing country Parties (**Article 4.15 of the PA**);
- ❑ The forum established under the Convention shall continue and shall serve the Paris Agreement (**paragraph 33, decision 1/CP.21**).



# Evolution of institutional arrangement since COP 16



## Forum's functions – Decision 7/CMA.1

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- Provide a platform to share, information, experiences, case studies, best practices and views;
- Facilitate assessment and analysis of the impact of the implementation of response measures, including the use and development of modelling tools and methodologies;
- Provide concrete examples, case studies and practices, in order to enhance the capacity of Parties, in particular developing country Parties.



# Forum's work programme – Decision 7/CMA.1

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- **Enhance cooperation** among Parties, stakeholders, external organizations, experts and institutions,
- **Enhance capacity and the understanding** of Parties of the impacts of mitigation actions
- **Promote action** to minimize the adverse impacts and maximize the positive impacts of the implementation of response measures.



# Forum's work programme – Decision 7/CMA.1

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- Four areas of work programme :
  - Economic diversification and transformation
  - Just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs
  - Assessing and analyzing the impacts of the implementation of response measures
  - Facilitating the development of tools and methodologies to assess the impacts of the implementation of response measures
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# Workplan of the forum and its KCI

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- Workplan of the forum and its KCI was agreed in Madrid 2019 (decision 4/COP 25, 4/CMP.15, 4/CMA.2)  
[https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/cp2019\\_13a01\\_adv.pdf#page=22](https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/cp2019_13a01_adv.pdf#page=22)
- Workplan includes 11 activities to be implemented over six year period + 5 additional activities mandated from other relevant decisions
- Four specifically refer to just transition of work force and creation of decent work and quality jobs
- Three specifically refer to economic diversification and transformation



Any questions?

