

Presentation
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Overview

- CSLF is a framework for international cooperation in R&D for CCS technologies.
- The Charter declares, inter alia, that one of the objectives of the Forum is to make these technologies “broadly available internationally”.

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The Charter also lists the following functions :

- Foster collaborative research, development and demonstration (RD&D) projects reflecting Member Country's priorities.
- Identify potential issues relating to the treatment of intellectual property.

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Present status of collaborative R&D projects in CSLF :

S.No.	Member Country	No. of Projects
1.	United States	14
2.	Canada	7
3.	European Commission	5
4.	Norway	4
5.	United Kingdom	3
6.	Australia	2
7.	China	2
8.	France	2
9.	Germany	2
10.	Japan	2
11.	India	1
12.	Italy	1

There are 22 Members

Possibilities

- Enhanced international cooperation has the potential of better and faster results – wider intellectual participation
- Requirement of an appropriate mechanism for sharing IPRs to help making these technologies widely available.
- The possibilities of getting assistance from outside sources may not match the priorities of CSLF, though they should be pursued.

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Possibilities contd..

- Developing Country Members have other sectoral demands on their financial resources.
- Need to take collective action to demonstrate the resolve of CSLF.

The Proposal

- CSLF may create a Common Fund for supporting the R&D projects in CCS technologies.
- Voluntary contributions to the Fund by the Members. The developed country Members may take a lead in contributing to the Fund.
- The R&D projects recognized by CSLF to be financed to the extent of 50% from the Fund and the balance by the participating countries/ entities.

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The Proposal contd..

- The contribution to the project could also be in the form of scientific manpower or research infrastructure.
- Such contribution in kind should be valued according to international norms.
- IPRs from the projects which are financed from the Fund to be made available to all the Member-Countries.

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The Proposal contd..

- To achieve the objective of wide availability of these technologies, the technologies may be made available at concessional terms in developing countries, ensuring financial viability of the Fund.

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