

EMB-POD participates at UNDP's KIP PRP National Validation Workshop

The United Nations Development Programme conducted the Kigali Implementation Plan Preparation Phase (KIP PRP) National Validation Workshop on December 5, 2024, at Quezon City. The workshop was attended by different sectors, including national government agencies, industry organizations, and industry stakeholders.

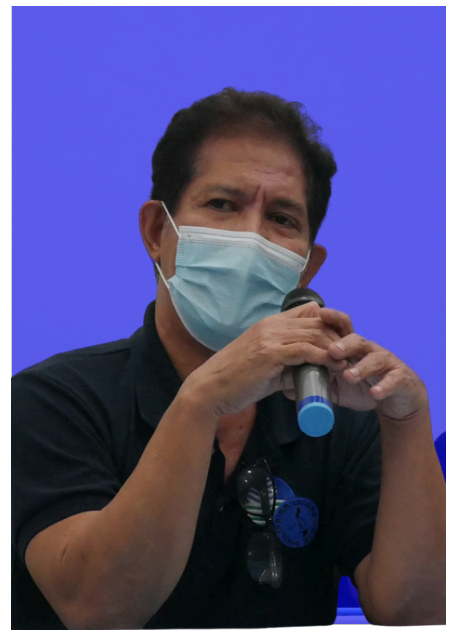
The objective of the KIP PRP is to develop an overarching strategy for the phase-down of hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) and plan action stage I of the KIP based on survey results and national consultations to address the freeze target and 10 percent reduction target in HFC consumption by 2024 and 2029, respectively.

The completed national survey determined the current hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs), HFCs, and alternatives per substance in each available sector.

This will serve as the basis for designing the national HFC phase-down overarching strategy and preparing the project proposal for KIP Stage I for the Philippines.

The UNDP KIP PRP Team led the discussion about the Multilateral Fund Requirement for KIP Submission, Methodology of the National Survey on HFC Consumption, Overview of the National Survey Results, Sector Data Analysis, Scenarios for KIP Implementation and ODS Banks Overview, and KIP Overarching Strategy and Energy Efficiency Sector in the Philippines.

Panel discussions were also concluded. Panelists for the first panel discussion were Engineer Edwin Romel Navaluna, Section Chief of EMB Chemical Management Section, Mr. Onofre Escota of the EMB Philippine Ozone Desk,



and Mr. William Kwan, Mr. Patrick Barretto, Mr. Leo Angelo Ocampo, and Mr. Augustin Sanchez Guevarra from UNDP KIP PRP Team.

On the other hand, Engr. Navaluna, Dr. Aldrin Calderon from UNDP KIP PRP Team, and the UNDP Regional Technical Advisor, Ms. Jie Pan, sat down for the second panel discussion.



After the panel discussions, Engineer Stephen Yecpot of EMB-CMS provided the synthesis.

The ongoing activities of the UNDP KIP PRP Team include processing and analysis of the overall situation of HFC usage by substances and future projections and writing and submission of the draft HFC Phase Down Plan.

Moreover, the planned activities of the team include the final HFC Phase Down Plan and project proposal and the submission of the KIP proposal targeted to be completed in February 2025.

OIC Assistant Director Sajul stated that,

“We, from the EMB, pledge to continue addressing the climate crisis by taking appropriate and effective climate actions; one of them is ensuring the effective phase-down management plan of HFCs.”

It can be recalled that the Philippines is the 141st country to endorse the Kigali Amendment and commits to phasing down the consumption of hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs). If the amendment is fully ratified and implemented, up to 0.5 degrees Celsius of warming could be avoided by 2100.

