

Project 5. Center of Excellence

The Project provides a mechanism for the diffusion and adoption of best practice and best emerging technologies within AP6 member nations. It initially provides a series of technical workshops to disseminate best practice technologies and best emerging technologies in areas that will have the greatest impact in reducing cement plant greenhouse gas emissions, their use of energy and in maximizing their clean development potential.

Workshops provide opportunities to demonstrate and showcase best practice technologies and best emerging technologies to all AP6 member nations. Workshops also facilitate deployment of such technologies by equipping participants with the skills and knowledge necessary to implement the technology at their own sites. Workshops will be open to representatives from all AP6 member countries. Workshop proceedings will be published and made available to AP6 member country cement industry associations for national distribution.

The project also includes provision for scholarships, specialist exchanges and the appointment of one or more Advocates as additional mechanisms to diffuse best practice technologies. These activities, under Phase 2 of the project, are strongly focused on building the necessary skill levels to deploy specific technologies at a specific plant: i.e. sharing knowledge and experience.