

Review
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	The COP recognized that deep cuts in global greenhouse gas emissions are required according to science with a view to reducing global greenhouse gas emissions so as to hold the increase in global average temperature below 2°C above pre-industrial levels. It also recognized the need to consider strengthening the long-term global goal on the basis of the best available science knowledge, including in relation to a global average temperature rise of 1.5°C (para 4).	The COP reaffirmed the objective of the review (para 157).		
	The COP decided to periodically review the adequacy of the long-term global goal and overall progress toward achieving it (para 138).	The COP decided that subsequent reviews should take place following the adoption of the IPCC assessment report or at least every seven years (para 167).		
	The first review should start in 2013 and should be concluded by 2015 (para 139 (b)).	The COP confirmed the first review cycle (para 158).		
	The COP shall take appropriate action based on the review (para 139 (c)).	The COP reaffirmed that it will take appropriate action in 2015 (para 158).		
	The COP requested LCA to further define the scope of this review and develop its modalities, including required inputs, with a view to their adoption by the COP17 (para140).	The COP agreed that: Scope: - Parties will continue working on this, with a view to taking a decision at COP18 (para 159). Modalities: - The review will be conducted with the assistance of SBSTA/SBI, and the work will be supported by expert consideration of inputs through in-session and inter sessional activities (para 162). - Parties will further define the expert consideration of inputs at COP18 (para 163). - SBs will organize workshops and report on their consideration to COP that provides guidance (para 165-166). - Inputs: IPCC assessment and special reports and technical papers; submissions from Parties, National communications, BUR, BR, national inventories, ICA, IAR; reports from UN agencies and	Scope: - Two views for the scope of the review: limit or extend (to be explicitly defined or already embedded in para 138) scope. Alternative options were suggested, including conducting the first review with a narrow scope and then use a wider scope for subsequent reviews. Expert consideration: - Three views for expert consideration of inputs: a new body; a joint SBs contact group; workshops or expert meeting, as needed.	- Further definition on the scope of the review and expert consideration of the inputs, with a view to take a decision at COP18.

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		<p>international organizations; and scientific information on observed impacts (para 161).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The review will consist of several phases, including information gathering and compilation, technical assessment through the organization of workshops, technical studies and the preparation of synthesis reports. (para 164) 		