

Joint meeting Adaptation Committee and Least Developed Countries Expert Group

**Reporting back to plenary
Joint mandates**

Group 1: Modalities to recognize adaptation efforts

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I. General

❖ Issues to take into consideration

- Negotiations are still ongoing on political and technical aspect of GST

❖ Framing of recommendations

- Important to recognize that there is overlaps between the 3 mandates
- Should provide an opportunity for all countries over time to showcase their efforts but to do so not in a competitive manner and without additional reporting burden
- Need to address the question: how to recognize efforts and who is recognizing the efforts
- Do not have to justify why recognition needs to be done but we will need to justify how did we arrive at those option



II. Recommendations

- ❖ Combination of three modalities, i.e. hybrid recommendation.
 - Modality 3 (compilation and synthesis report) is at the heart of the work, with modalities 2 and 4 feeding into it
 - ✓ **Political level:** Annual event at CMA 1 (modality 2)
 - *Why: For high level recognition of adaptation efforts*
 - ✓ **Practitioner level:** Showcasing adaptation efforts in annual events, including regional events (NAP Expo, Adapt Forums, etc.) (modality 4)
 - *Why: For also having adaptation efforts recognized at national and regional levels*
 - ✓ **Output:** compilation/ synthesis report (option 3) but this should not lead to conclusion/decision, i.e. but a possibility for this report to be considered in the GST.



II. Recommendation: Scope of the compilation and synthesis report

- ❖ Report should be annual but does not need to be comprehensive, i.e. provides a snapshot; could take a thematic approach
- ❖ Focus is on highlighting positive aspects of adaptation efforts
- ❖ Timeline for first report, 2019 (CMA2)
- ❖ Compilation to be guided by AC/LEG, with the support of the secretariat



II. Recommendation: Scope of the Annual event

- ❖ Could be a thematic event subject to AC/LEG guidance
- ❖ Modalities for selecting countries that will showcase their adaptation efforts can be developed at a later stage
 - ✓ Could also make use of new technologies to showcase how many countries as possible (ref. to “climate talks”)



III. Justification for the chose recommendation

This hybrid recommendation has been selected for the following reasons:

- ❖ Recognition of importance of analysis and synthesis of information is important for adaptation
- ❖ Important to strike a balance between these two levels:
 - Need to address the need to have some sort of recognition at a global level while also of having a space for countries to get recognition at more technical level
- ❖ Need to utilize space to capture information that could be useful to the GST
- ❖ Recognition that there is a need for annual and periodic synthesis
- ❖ Acknowledgement that adaptation in developing countries need to be included in GST

