

**Briefing by the SBI Chair at the
opening plenary of
the second session of the ADP
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Distinguished co-Chairs, Madame Executive Secretary of the Convention

Dear Colleagues, delegates

We have just started the second session of ADP. Together with my friend Richard Muyungi the Chair of SBSTA and the co-chairs of this Ad Hoc Working Group we often coordinate to ensure coherent and synergetic approach to the organization of work of the bodies, we have the honour to lead. That helps in avoiding duplication and enables efficient use of the most scarce commodity in this process - the time.

It is therefore my pleasure to assist the ADP and brief you on the mandates and activities under the SBI that are related to the work of ADP.

In Durban, when establishing the ADP, the COP decided that this process shall raise the level of ambition and shall be informed, inter alia, by the Fifth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, the outcomes of the 2013–2015 review and the work of the subsidiary bodies.

So let me start with the 2013-2015 review of the long term global goal that will be launched in June as another joint item of SBI and SBSTA.

The 2013-2015 Review

- As a first step, the SBSTA Chair and myself took the initiative to send a letter to Parties informing them of our intention to organize an in-session workshop at the SB38 and inviting their views on what available information should be considered at that workshop;
- In our letter, we also reminded Parties to communicate to the secretariat names of possible co-facilitators for the structured expert dialogue that will support SBs in conducting the review. We received a number of submissions from the Parties and civil society. Thank you for that. We hope to have clarity on your views whom you would see as the co-facilitators before the start of SB38;

The work of the SBI on mitigation issues is being enhanced:

Developed and developing country Parties mitigation

With regards to developed country Parties mitigation:

- These Parties will submit their first biennial reports by 1 January 2014, and the first round of the newly established international assessment and review process will commence under the SBI two months after this submission;
- This will be the first step in implementing the new MRV framework for developed countries.

With regards to developing country Parties mitigation

- COP 18 in Doha established a two-year work programme to further the understanding of the diversity of NAMAs with an objective to facilitate the preparation and implementation of these actions. This is essential as only 55 Parties and one group of Parties have communicated NAMAs to the secretariat;
- The work programme will be launched at the upcoming session. The Parties will have an opportunity to discuss technical aspects of NAMAs, as well as issues relating to finance, technology and capacity building support;
- The SBI completed its work on the design of the registry which is expected to serve as a platform to enhance cooperation among Parties toward the formulation and implementation of individual NAMAs. A prototype version has been deployed already by the secretariat.
- Developing countries are expected to start submitting their first biennial update reports at the end of 2014. This will be an important step in implementing the new MRV framework for developing countries.

Mechanisms under the Kyoto Protocol

On matters relating to the Kyoto mechanisms

- The SBI will now initiate the review of the modalities and procedures of the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM). An in-session workshop will support this review. The goal is to prepare revised modalities and procedures that will further improve the operation of the CDM by streamlining the relevant processes and lower barriers to accessing the CDM, while strengthening its assets;
- This will help Parties in addressing mitigation under the ADP, in particular when considering incentives to enhance the mitigation ambition.
- The SBI will also initiate the review of the Joint Implementation Guidelines. It is expected that the revised guidelines will include transformational changes to the governance, project cycle and the role of host Parties that could feed innovative ideas to the ADP process on relevant future mechanism.
- The SBI will seek resolution on expedited issuance of JI's Emission Reduction Units in the second commitment period including resolution of the issue of eligibility for Annex I countries that are not yet eligible for participation in the KP flexible mechanisms

ADAPTATION

Let me now move to adaptation matters:

National Adaptation Plans:

- The SBI has thus far produced guidelines for the formulation of NAPs, and guidance has been provided to the GEF on supporting the formulation of NAPs. The LEG has also produced technical guidelines for the formulation of NAPs..
- The AC has started its work and they are looking at modalities for NAPs for non-LDCs

Loss and damage

On loss and damage associated with climate change impacts:

- Loss & damage has been deliberated under the SBI since the establishment of the work programme on loss and damage at COP 16 as part of the Cancun Adaptation Framework. During the course of this year, the SBI will be considering, among others, institutional arrangements for loss & damage, with a view to establishing such arrangements at COP 19;
- In addition, the Adaptation Committee will consider any issues arising from the work programme on loss & damage as part of its three-year work plan.

Moving to the means of implementation:

Finance

At the June session, the SBI will initiate the second review of the Adaptation Fund, and consider any additional guidelines for the conduct of the review

The work of the Standing Committee on Finance is not under the SBI agenda, however I thought it might be useful to mention that is now fully operational, and that it has met three times, with the last meeting held earlier this year.

Capacity-building

On capacity-building:

- COP 18 adopted the Doha work programme on Article 6 of the Convention to scale-up action on education and engagement of stakeholders in climate change action in all countries;
- During SBI 38 two important events on capacity-building related issues will take place: 2nd meeting of the Durban Forum on Capacity-building, which will focus on potential ways to enhance capacity-building at the national level, and 1st Dialogue on Article 6, which will discuss climate change education and training.

Technology

Work of the Climate Technology Centre and Network

On technology:

- Work of both components of the Technology Mechanism, TEC and CTCN, is now fully underway, ensuring that the mechanism will be completely operational in 2013;
- Technology transfer matters are considered jointly with the SBSTA. I am pleased to update the ADP on matters relating to the CTCN, while my friend Richard Muyungui will update you on the TEC:
 - o UNEP was selected as the host of the CTC and it has promptly launched the work of the CTCN and the Advisory Board;
 - o The first meeting of the Advisory Board is tentatively scheduled for 14–15 May in Copenhagen, Denmark;
 - o Parties have submitted their nominations for their national designated entities (NDEs), which will interact with the CTC regarding requests from non-Annex I Parties for support from the CTCN.

The SBSTA Chair will also report on progresses under response measures issues, which are also considered jointly by the subsidiary bodies.

Thank you very much for your attention.