

SUBMISSION RELATING TO THE SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR IMPLEMENTATION (SBI) ON ARTICLE 6 OF THE CONVENTION

UNITAR welcomes the opportunity to respond to the invitation by the SBI to submit to the secretariat views on the agenda for the 3rd Dialogue on Article 6 of the Convention and inputs to the intermediate review of the implementation of the Doha work programme on Article 6 of the Convention.

Item 1: Comment on the agenda for the 3rd Dialogue on education, training and international cooperation

UNITAR recommends to include an agenda item on a future global implementation mechanism for climate change education and training in view of the significant demand from Parties for systematic, recurrent and long term support in this area. It has long been recognized that skills development provides a pathway for promoting low emission and climate change resilient growth, and indeed that failure to provide sufficient support in this area represents a major barrier to achieving the objectives and goals of the Convention.

Item 2: Comment on intermediate review of the Doha work programme

UNITAR recommends that the review considers how support for climate change education and training can be scaled up by considering current examples and good practices. One possible example to consider would be the existing initiative in Central America led by the Dominican Republic and the Central American Commission for Environment and Development (CCAD) to establish a Regional Programme on Climate Change Learning. This initiative is being co-financed by the One UN Climate Change Learning Partnership (UN CC:Learn) with funding provided by the Government of Switzerland and aims to leverage additional resources both from the region and internationally.