

Oral report from the Co-Chair of the Adaptation Committee to SBI 45, Marrakech, Morocco

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- Thank you, Chair, for giving me the opportunity to update you and the SBI on the work of the Adaptation Committee.
- At this session the Adaptation Committee – AC – presents to the COP, through the SBs, the report on its work between November 2015 and September 2016.
- The report contains organizational and procedural information, as well as substantive recommendations for consideration by the COP, based on the outcomes of the AC's work carried out throughout the year.
- The report also contains the revised, flexible workplan as agreed by the AC for the years 2016-2018, taking into account the new mandates the AC received in Paris through decision 1/CP.21.
- It further describes progress made in the AC's defined areas of work. This includes:
 - Firstly, information on overarching coherence, including the implementation of decision 1/CP.21.

In this context I would like to specifically thank all those constituted bodies and work programmes under the Convention that have been contributing to our work and whose expert input has been instrumental in all of the AC's work areas.

Progress made in implementing the joint mandates from Paris to the AC and the LEG, two of them in collaboration with the SCF, will be presented at a lunch-time **side event on Thursday, 10 November**. Delegates will be invited to provide feedback on the approach and initial options identified, so your participation is very much encouraged.

The AC is happy to report that the technical examination process on adaptation – TEP-A – was successfully initiated this year. As Parties may recall, the TEP-A is organized by the subsidiary bodies, conducted by the Adaptation Committee and supported by the secretariat. The first two technical expert meetings were held during the sessions of the subsidiary bodies in May, and I would also like to draw your attention to the technical paper that was produced as a follow-up.

- The report also contains information on providing technical support and guidance to the Parties on adaptation actions.

Here, I want to recognize the support provided from partner organizations of the Nairobi work programme – NWP – in advancing the AC's work on monitoring and evaluation of adaptation, and from the Climate Technology Centre and Network and the NWP on providing invaluable information to the AC with regard to providing technical support to developing countries through national, regional and international organizations, centres and networks.

- In the area of providing technical support and guidance to the Parties on means of implementation, the AC this year put a focus on close collaboration with the GCF, in particular in the area of supporting the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans.

The AC further initiated work on a workshop to be held next year to engage relevant stakeholders to advance understanding and overcome challenges relating to the establishment of National Implementing Entities and accessing the GCF readiness programme for adaptation.

- Lastly, on outreach and sharing of information, let me highlight the recent launch of an information product on livelihoods and economic diversification, which the AC produced as a result of its recent work on that topic.
- Thank you.