

AOSIS SUBMISSION ON THE 2013-2015 REVIEW OF THE LONG-TERM GLOBAL GOAL

1. AOSIS reaffirms its position that the 2013-2015 Review should assess the adequacy of the long term goal to limit the increase in global mean temperatures to below 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels by 2020, and progress made toward achieving it, with reference to a possible 1.5 degrees Celsius limit.
2. AOSIS also underscores that the role of the Structured Expert Dialogue (SED) is to facilitate the scientific integrity of the Review process.
3. AOSIS acknowledges the substantial work done in the Structured Expert Dialogue (SED) and wishes to thank the Co-Facilitators and the secretariat for their great efforts to organise the successful third session held in Bonn June 2014, and the first part of the fourth session in Lima December 2014.
4. AOSIS wishes to thank all experts that have contributed to this success by informing the SED about the state of the science and engaging in very fruitful and enlightening discussions with the parties. AOSIS looks forward to the resumed fourth session of the SED.
5. AOSIS welcomes the progress made by the Joint Contact Group (JCG) in Lima on further arrangements for the 2013-2015 review and wishes to underscore the important linkage between the outcome of the Review and the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action ("the ADP") in accordance with decision 1/CP.17 and reaffirmed by the joint conclusions of SBSTA/SBI 40 and 41.

Views on the Resumed Fourth Session of the Structured Expert Dialogue

6. The resumed fourth session of the SED should be focussed on information provided by non-IPCC sources and should be primarily focussed on regional information in accordance with paragraph 161 of decision 2/CP.17. Among other regional sources, reporting by the **Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Program (SPREP)** and the **Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC)** as well as input of by the **African Climate Policy Centre (ACPC)**, are of great importance for the work of the SED.
7. Information on **agriculture and food security** is of particular importance for the assessment of Theme 1 of the SED, especially for the SIDS and LDC regions. **The Research Program on Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS)** by the **Consortium of International Agricultural Research Centers (CGIAR)** connects the world's leading researchers in agricultural science and provides regionally focussed assessments for the tropical regions that should be presented in the SED in accordance with 161 (d) of 2/CP.17. This presentation should be supplemented by **the Agricultural Model Intercomparison and Improvement Project**

(AgMIP), which provides state-of-the art analysis of agricultural projections including special reports on tropical regions.

8. Similarly, scientific input with regard to the impact of climate change in the Polar Regions, in particular focusing on the stability of the Antarctic and Greenland ice-sheets and implications for sea level rise, is of high relevance for the assessment of Theme 1 of the SED.

9. Over the last two years the World Bank commissioned the **Turn Down the Heat** series that assessed climate impacts and opportunities in the 6 major focal regions of the World Bank. AOSIS is of the view that the integrated perspective on climate impacts and opportunities; as well as sustainable development, presented by the World Bank in these reports, has not been reflected in an adequate fashion in the previous SED sessions and would be of great value to the regional focus session of the SED and its further work.

10. AOSIS welcomes the decision contained in paragraph 10 of the joint conclusions on the 2013-2015 Review contained in document FCCC/SB/2014/L.9 on the preparation of a technical summary of the work of the Structured Expert Dialogue in accordance with decision 1/CP.18 paragraph 86(b). The technical summary to be prepared by the Co-Facilitators of the SED, with the assistance of the secretariat, should be clearly structured along the two themes of the SED and a factual representation of the underlying SED summary reports thereby considering both information put forward by the experts in presentations as well as in discussions with parties in an equal manner.

11. AOSIS wishes to reaffirm paragraph 12 of the joint SBSTA/SBI conclusions on the 2013-2015 Review contained in document FCCC/SB/2014/L.9.