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Scientific, technical and socio-economic aspects of mitigation

**Draft conclusions proposed by the co-chairs of the contact group
on agenda item 8**

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) took note of the submissions from Parties contained in document FCCC/SBSTA/2004/MISC.6 and Add.1.
2. The SBSTA welcomed the exchange of views among Parties, experts and representatives of non-governmental organizations, businesses, and international and other relevant organizations during the in-session workshop on scientific, technical and socio-economic aspects of climate change mitigation, in the context of the themes of sustainable development, opportunities and solutions, and vulnerability and risk. It expressed appreciation to the speakers representing a broad range of expertise who participated in the workshop. The SBSTA requested the secretariat to post the text of the Chair's oral report from the workshop on the UNFCCC web site.
3. The SBSTA agreed to continue focusing its work on exchanging information and sharing experiences and views among Parties on practical opportunities and solutions to facilitate the implementation of the Convention, as mandated by the Conference of Parties by its decision 10/CP.9.
4. As a next step, the SBSTA agreed that, at its twenty-first session, it will focus on exchanging information and sharing experiences, views and lessons learned, taking into account different national circumstances, with respect to the following topics:
 - (a) Mitigation technology innovation, deployment and diffusion, including identification of and removal of barriers
 - (b) Practical opportunities and solutions for mitigation that contribute to sustainable development.
5. The SBSTA requested the secretariat, under the guidance of the Chair of the SBSTA, to organize a workshop allowing for in-depth discussion during its twenty-first session to exchange information and share experiences and views on the topics referred to in paragraph 4 above.

6. The SBSTA invited Parties to submit to the secretariat, by 31 August 2004, their views on the topics referred to in paragraph 4 above and on the workshop referred to in paragraph 5 above, for compilation into a miscellaneous document to facilitate the discussion at the workshop.
7. The SBSTA requested the Chair to prepare a summary of the workshop referred to in paragraph 5 above, and requested the secretariat to make this summary, and the workshop presentation and abstracts, available on the UNFCCC web site as soon as possible after the workshop.
8. The SBSTA agreed to determine next steps on this agenda item at its twenty-first session.
9. In accordance with decision 16/CP.9, the SBSTA noted that there are costs associated with implementing these conclusions and that their implementation is subject to the availability of supplementary funds.
