

**CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES**  
**Eleventh session**  
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**Agenda item 9**  
**High-level segment**

**Draft decision on a process for discussions on long-term cooperative action  
to address climate change**

**Proposal by the President**

*The Conference of the Parties,*

*Recalling* the ultimate objective and the principles of the Convention, as set out in its Articles 2 and 3,

*Recognizing* that climate change is a serious and long-term challenge that has the potential to affect every part of the globe,

1. *Resolves* to engage in discussions to explore and analyse approaches for long-term cooperative action to address climate change that promote environmental effectiveness and the widest possible cooperation and participation, and that include the following areas:

- (a) Advancing development goals in a sustainable way
- (b) Tackling adaptation
- (c) Realizing the full potential of technology
- (d) Realizing the full potential of markets;

2. *Agrees* that the discussions will be informed by the best available scientific information and assessment on climate change and its impacts, as well as relevant technical, social and economic information;

3. *Decides* that:

- (a) The discussions will be conducted under the guidance of the Conference of the Parties and will take place in workshops open to all Parties, to be organized by the secretariat, subject to the availability of resources;
- (b) The discussion will be facilitated by two co-facilitators, one from a Party included in Annex I to the Convention and one from a Party not included in Annex I to the Convention, who will be selected by each group, respectively;
- (c) The discussions will be completed by the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth session (December 2007);

(d) The two co-facilitators will report to the Conference of the Parties annually for further direction;

4. *Invites* Parties to submit to the secretariat, by 15 March 2006, their views on long-term cooperative action to address climate change taking into account paragraph 1 above and requests the secretariat to make these submissions available prior to the first workshop;

5. *Notes* that the organization of the discussions will require additional resources to enable the participation of delegates from eligible Parties and to enable the secretariat to provide the necessary support for the discussions;

6. *Encourages* Parties to provide additional contributions to the Trust Fund for Participation in the UNFCCC Process and additional supplementary funds for the work of the secretariat to support this process.

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