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## Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

- 1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) welcomed the election of Mr. Jukka Uosukainen (Finland) as Chair and Mr. Arthur Rolle (Bahamas) as Vice-Chair of the Expert Group on Technology Transfer (EGTT) for 2008, and the nomination by Parties of experts to serve on the EGTT for 2008.
- 2. The SBSTA and the SBI noted the oral report by the Chair of the EGTT on the outcomes of the group's meetings held on 10–11 March 2008 and on 29–30 May 2008 in Bonn, Germany.<sup>2</sup>
- 3. The SBSTA and the SBI endorsed the rolling programme of work of the EGTT for 2008–2009<sup>3</sup> and looked forward to receiving the results of the work of the EGTT. The SBSTA and the SBI noted the already heavy workload of the EGTT and invited the EGTT to adjust its programme of work should it be requested to do so by the subsidiary bodies.
- 4. The SBSTA endorsed the terms of reference for the EGTT for developing a set of performance indicators<sup>4</sup> that could be used by the SBI to regularly monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of the implementation of the technology transfer framework,<sup>5</sup> complemented with the set of actions set out in annex I to decision 3/CP.13, taking into consideration the related work under the Convention and other relevant bodies.
- 5. The SBSTA also endorsed the terms of reference for the EGTT for identifying, analysing and assessing existing and potential new financing resources and relevant vehicles in supporting the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FCCC/SB/2008/INF.1, annex II.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The first special meeting was held on 10–11 March 2008 and the first regular meeting was held on 29–30 May 2008 in conjunction with the twenty-eighth sessions of the subsidiary bodies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> FCCC/SB/2008/INF.1, annex I.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> FCCC/SBSTA/2008/INF.2, annex I.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Framework for meaningful and effective actions to enhance the implementation of Article 4, paragraph 5, of the Convention.

development, deployment, diffusion and transfer of environmentally sound technologies in developing countries.<sup>6</sup>

- 6. The SBSTA noted the report on the joint expert meeting on technologies for adaptation to climate change.<sup>7</sup> It invited Parties, when elaborating on further activities under the Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change, to take into account information contained in that report.
- 7. The SBSTA welcomed the progress made by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in collaboration with the EGTT, the United Nations Environment Programme, the Climate Technology Initiative and the secretariat in updating the UNDP handbook *Conducting Technology Needs Assessments for Climate Change.*<sup>8</sup> It looked forward to the updated handbook being made available by early 2009.
- 8. The SBSTA noted with appreciation the financial support provided by the Governments of Denmark, Japan, Norway, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the European Commission for the implementation of the programme of work of the EGTT, and invited Parties in a position to do so to provide financial support to ensure the timely and effective implementation of this programme of work.
- 9. The SBSTA agreed to bring forward the second regular meeting of the EGTT, which had been scheduled to take place in conjunction with the twenty-ninth sessions of the subsidiary bodies (December 2008), in order for the group to advance its work and finalize its interim reports in time for these sessions. It welcomed the offer by the Government of Ireland to host this meeting in October 2008 in Dublin, Ireland.
- 10. The SBSTA requested the secretariat, subject to the availability of resources:
  - (a) To organize the second regular meeting of the EGTT referred to in paragraph 9 above;
  - (b) To organize a second special meeting of the EGTT in conjunction with the third session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention and the first part of the sixth session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (August 2008) to enable the EGTT to advance its work on this matter.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> FCCC/SBSTA/2008/INF.2, annex II.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> FCCC/SBSTA/2008/4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Gross R, Dougherty W and Kumarsingh K. 2004. *Conducting Technology Needs Assessments for Climate Change*. Available at: <a href="http://ttclear.unfccc.int/ttclear/html/TNAGuidelines.html">http://ttclear.unfccc.int/ttclear/html/TNAGuidelines.html</a>.