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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) welcomed the report of the progress made in the implementation of the Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change since its thirtieth session,¹ and took note of the reports of workshops under the work areas of adaptation planning and practices² and economic diversification,³ a technical paper reviewing existing literature on the potential costs and benefits of adaptation options,⁴ a synthesis report on integrating and expanding adaptation planning and action,⁵ and documents FCCC/SBSTA/2009/MISC.9/Rev.1 and FCCC/SBSTA/2009/MISC.10 containing submissions from Parties and relevant organizations on efforts undertaken to assess the costs and benefits of adaptation options, and to monitor and evaluate the implementation of adaptation projects, policies and programmes, respectively.

¹ FCCC/SBSTA/2009/INF.5.

² FCCC/SBSTA/2009/5.

³ FCCC/SBSTA/2009/7.

⁴ FCCC/TP/2009/2.

⁵ FCCC/SBSTA/2009/6.

2. The SBSTA welcomed the direct engagement of, and the contributions provided by, a wide range of organizations⁶ in the implementation of the Nairobi work programme. It encouraged these organizations to continue and, if possible, further enhance, their efforts, including through action pledges⁷ and by providing information to the SBSTA on the implementation of these pledges, to assist Parties to improve their understanding and assessment of climate change impacts and vulnerability, and to make informed decisions on practical adaptation actions and measures.
3. The SBSTA took note of the work being carried out by the secretariat, under the guidance of the Chair of the SBSTA, on further enhancing the outreach of the Nairobi work programme to relevant stakeholders, including the dissemination of user-friendly knowledge products. It requested the secretariat to continue these efforts.
4. The SBSTA noted the importance of the technical workshop on how regional centres and networks undertaking work relevant to climate change could collaborate, to be held before its thirty-second session.⁸
5. The SBSTA reaffirmed the need to enhance the catalytic role of the Nairobi work programme and requested the secretariat to continue its efforts in engaging a wide range of organizations, including those implementing education, training and awareness-raising activities and adaptation actions.
6. The SBSTA recalled that, at its twenty-eighth session, it agreed to consider, at its thirty-third session, a summary report on the results of the second phase of implementation of the Nairobi work programme, and other information referred to in paragraph 25 of document FCCC/SBSTA/2008/6, with a view to reviewing the effectiveness of the Nairobi work programme.

⁶ There were 164 Nairobi work programme partner organizations as at 11 December 2009.

⁷ Ninety-two action pledges had been submitted by 41 Nairobi work programme partner organizations as at 11 December 2009.

⁸ FCCC/SBSTA/2008/6, paragraph 32.