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Gender and Social Submissions for the Ad hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action (AWG-LCA)

Shared Vision¹

- Comprehensive long-term cooperative action needs to be based on relevant scientific, technical, social and economic considerations and regularly re-evaluated in the light of new findings in these areas²
- Effective and responsive implementation requires that gender considerations and gender balanced participation be incorporated at all levels in all areas of the Bali Action plan (mitigation, adaptation, finance and technology)

Adaptation

Enhanced action on adaptation, including the design and implementation of adaptation plans, disaster risk management and early-warning systems, should:

- Be responsive to the differentiated needs of women and men, recognizing that "women, children and the poor"³ are among the most disproportionately affected
- Draw upon the capacities of women and men through gender-balanced participation to ensure optimum implementation of policies and programmes, in alignment with Hyogo Framework for Action⁴
- Be supported by adequate financial, technological and capacity building resources, prioritizing most vulnerable groups⁵

¹ The Bali Action Plan reaffirms that economic and social development and poverty eradication are global priorities, and affirms that a shared vision needs to take into account "social and economic conditions and other relevant factors" [Decision 1/CP.13, preamble and 1(a)]. A simple but profound Shared Vision provides an opportunity for the international community to evidence this commitment, and succinctly describe its Vision for implementation.

² Refers to FCCC/AWGLCA/2009/4, para 2(j), Part II

³ Refers to FCCC/AWGLCA/2009/3, para 28

⁴ Refers to HFA (III./A./13./d): "A gender perspective should be integrated into all disaster risk management policies, plans and decision-making processes, including those related to risk assessment, early warning, information management, and education and training"

⁵ Refers to Decision 1/CP.13, 1, (e)

Mitigation

 Ambitious emissions reductions are required in accordance with the provisions of the Convention and the Bali Action Plan, ensuring that both men and women can contribute to and benefit from a low-emissions pathway that does not compromise but fosters sustainable development⁶, and enhancing women's access to policy approaches and positive incentives in, *inter alia*, conservation, sustainable forest management and enhancement of forest carbon stocks⁷

Finance

 Delivery of funds should prioritize vulnerable groups, including women, through appropriate guidelines and criteria, especially gender indicators to demonstrate progress towards targets

Technology

- Technology transfer and capacity-building should prioritize vulnerable groups, including women, to enhance women's and men's innovative capacity⁸
- Sex-disaggregated data and gender analysis should be used at all levels to identify and assess technology needs of women and men, and enhance the livelihoods of both equally, thus enabling all of society to optimize mitigation strategies and adapt to climate change

The **Global Gender and Climate Alliance (GGCA)** is a group of 25 UN agencies, IGOs and NGOs working together to ensure that climate change policies, decision-making processes, and initiatives at all levels are gender responsive.

⁶ Refers to Decision 1/CP.13, para 1, (b), i and ii

⁷ Refers to Decision 1/CP.13, para 1, (b), iii

⁸ Refers to LCA/2009/4, para 93, 95, 96, 98 Part II