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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) welcomed the progress report on the work of the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (CGE).¹
2. The SBI also welcomed the report of the CGE on the workshop on facilitating the development and long-term sustainability of processes, and the establishment and maintenance of national technical teams, for the preparation of national communications, including greenhouse gas (GHG) inventories, on a continuous basis, held on 20 and 21 June 2011, in Bonn, Germany. The SBI noted the importance of the matters under discussion and welcomed the recommendations from the workshop on the common challenges and best practices, options available to Parties and key elements for facilitating the development and long-term sustainability of the national communication processes.²
3. The SBI expressed its gratitude to the Government of Chile for hosting the fifth meeting of the CGE and the CGE GHG inventory hands-on training workshop for the Latin America and Caribbean region, organized in collaboration with the National Communications Support Programme and the Technical Support Unit for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, held on 5–9 September 2011.³ It also welcomed the report on this workshop and the recommendations from the participants for the improvement of future training workshops and the training materials of the CGE. The SBI encouraged the CGE to take into account those recommendations in the conduct of the remaining CGE regional training workshops on national GHG inventories and the update of its GHG training materials.

¹ FCCC/SBI/2011/10.

² FCCC/SBI/2011/10/Add.1.

³ FCCC/SBI/2011/10/Add.2.

4. The SBI encouraged Parties and/or relevant organizations, as appropriate, in providing assistance to Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (non-Annex I Parties), to take into consideration the recommendations provided by the workshops, as contained in document FCCC/SBI/2011/10/Add.1 and 2.
5. The SBI reiterated its encouragement to Parties to take into account the recommendations made by the CGE on elements to be considered in a future revision of the “Guidelines for the preparation of national communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention” contained in its progress report⁴ submitted to the SBI at its thirty-fourth session.
6. The SBI welcomed the planned training activities⁵ to be organized by the CGE as a part of its work programme and requested the CGE to make every effort to conduct the planned regional training workshops on GHG inventories, mitigation, and vulnerability and adaptation in 2012, subject to the availability of resources.
7. The SBI took note of the estimated budgetary implications to implement the ambitious work programme of the CGE, as provided by the secretariat.
8. The SBI thanked the European Union, Japan, the Technical Support Unit for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories and the National Communications Support Programme for their financial contribution to the work of the CGE, and also those Parties that committed to contributing financial support for the work of the CGE. The SBI urged Parties included in Annex II to the Convention to provide financial resources to enable the CGE to implement its planned activities for 2012 as soon as possible. It also encouraged bilateral, multilateral and international organizations to support the work of the CGE.
9. The SBI reiterated the invitation to the CGE, in implementing its work programme, to take into account the current and future needs of non-Annex I Parties and to take into consideration the provisions under the Convention and the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties (COP).⁶
10. In accordance with decision 5/CP.15, paragraph 6, the SBI initiated, but did not conclude, consideration on the review of the term and mandate of the CGE and the need for the continuation of the group, and decided to recommend a draft decision on this subject for adoption by the COP at its seventeenth session (for the text of the draft decision, see FCCC/SBI/2011/L.31/Add.1).
11. The SBI requested that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

⁴ FCCC/SBI/2011/5/Rev.1 and FCCC/SBI/2011/5/Add.1.

⁵ FCCC/SBI/2011/10, paragraph 16.

⁶ FCCC/SBI/2010/27, paragraph 33 and FCCC/SBI/2011/7, paragraph 36.