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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) took note of the views submitted by Parties¹ and of the summary report² on the second meeting of the structured expert dialogue (SED), held on 12 and 13 November 2013 in Warsaw, Poland.³
2. The SBSTA and the SBI welcomed the recently completed contributions of Working Groups II⁴ and III⁵ to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Fifth Assessment Report (AR5). Those contributions, together with the contribution of Working Group I,⁶ provide information for assessing the adequacy of the long-term global goal and of the overall progress made towards achieving it.
3. The SBSTA and the SBI also welcomed the third meeting of the SED, held from 6 to 8 June 2014 in Bonn, Germany, which, on the basis of the contributions of Working Groups II and III to the AR5, explored the adequacy of the long-term global goal and the overall progress made towards achieving it, and they looked forward to the summary report

¹ FCCC/SB/2014/MISC.1 and Add.1 and FCCC/SB/2014/MISC.2 and Add.1.

² Available at <<http://unfccc.int/7803.php>>.

³ Further information on the second meeting of the SED is available at <<http://unfccc.int/7803.php>>.

⁴ *Climate Change 2014: Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability*. Available at <<http://www.ipcc.ch/report/ar5/wg2>>.

⁵ *Climate Change 2014: Mitigation of Climate Change*. Available at <<http://www.ipcc.ch/report/ar5/wg3>>.

⁶ *Climate Change 2013: The Physical Science Basis*. Available at <<http://www.ipcc.ch/report/ar5/wg1>>.

on that meeting. They noted with appreciation the contributions made by the representatives of the IPCC at the meeting and encouraged the IPCC and other organizations to continue to support the future work of the SED. They also noted the value of the SED in enabling Parties to proactively contribute to the dialogue and engage with scientific and other experts.

4. The SBSTA and the SBI noted that the IPCC will have released the AR5 Synthesis Report before SBSTA 41 and SBI 41 (December 2014) and agreed to consider that report, as well as information from the sources referred to in decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 161(b–d), at the meeting of the SED that will be held in conjunction with those sessions.

5. The SBSTA and the SBI requested the co-facilitators of the SED, with the support of the secretariat, to convene an additional meeting of the SED after SBSTA 41 and SBI 41, in conjunction with a meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action (ADP)⁷ and prior to SBSTA 42 and SBI 42 (June 2015), noting decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 88, to consider the inputs referred to in decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 161, in particular its subparagraphs (b–d), with a view to closing the SED prior to SBSTA 42 and SBI 42 in accordance with decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 91.

6. The SBSTA and the SBI requested the secretariat to prepare a note containing an indicative, descriptive identification of what information, as listed in decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 161(b), will be available for consideration by the SED and by when, and to make it available to Parties no later than 1 October 2014.

7. Consistent with the objective to maintain the scientific integrity of the 2013–2015 review, as referred to in decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 85, the SBSTA and the SBI requested the co-facilitators of the SED to consult with recognized scientific experts, as needed, to identify potential additional inputs to the SED, taking into account decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 161(c) and (d), and decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 84.

8. The SBSTA and the SBI, consistent with decision 2/CP.17, paragraphs 164 and 166, and decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 86(b), invited Parties to submit to the secretariat, by 1 November 2014, their views on additional inputs to the SED, on how to conclude the 2013–2015 review and on the final reporting of the SBSTA and the SBI to the Conference of the Parties (COP) at its twenty-first session (November–December 2015), and requested the secretariat to make those submissions available on the UNFCCC website.

9. While noting that the work of the 2013–2015 review is still in progress, the SBSTA and the SBI also noted that the 2013–2015 review informs the broader UNFCCC process, through, inter alia, the material provided by experts, the summary reports on the meetings of the SED and the co-facilitators' reports to the COP. Mindful of decision 1/CP.17, paragraph 6, Parties are encouraged to continue to take note of the information from the 2013–2015 review as they engage in the ADP process.

10. The SBSTA and the SBI took note of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraph 5 above. They requested that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

⁷ Pending the decision of the ADP to hold such a meeting.