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#### **Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair**

##### *Non-market-based approaches*

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) took note of the views submitted by Parties<sup>1</sup> and admitted observer organizations<sup>2</sup> on methodological guidance for non-market-based approaches as requested at SBSTA 38.<sup>3</sup>
2. The SBSTA took note of the outcomes of the in-session expert meeting on this matter requested at SBSTA 38<sup>4</sup> and held in Bonn, Germany, on 6 June 2014, and requested the secretariat to prepare a report on that meeting for consideration at SBSTA 41 (December 2014).
3. The SBSTA agreed to continue its consideration of the development of methodological guidance on non-market-based approaches at SBSTA 41.<sup>5</sup>

##### *Non-carbon benefits*

4. The SBSTA recalled that the Conference of the Parties, by decision 9/CP.19, paragraph 22, recognized the importance of incentivizing non-carbon benefits for the long-term sustainability of the implementation of the activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 70.

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<sup>1</sup> FCCC/SBSTA/2014/MISC.3 and Add.1–3.

<sup>2</sup> Submissions from observer organizations are available at <<http://unfccc.int/7478>>.

<sup>3</sup> FCCC/SBSTA/2013/3, paragraph 40.

<sup>4</sup> FCCC/SBSTA/2013/3, paragraph 41.

<sup>5</sup> Noting document FCCC/SBSTA/2013/3, paragraphs 38–42, and decision 9/CP.19, paragraph 8.

5. The SBSTA took note of the views submitted by Parties<sup>6</sup> and admitted observer organizations<sup>7</sup> on the issues referred to in decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 40.
  6. The SBSTA agreed to continue its consideration of methodological issues related to non-carbon benefits at SBSTA 42 (June 2015).
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<sup>6</sup> FCCC/SBSTA/2014/MISC.4 and Add.1.

<sup>7</sup> As footnote 2 above.