



Subsidiary Body for Implementation

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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) took note of the report by the secretariat on the gender composition of constituted bodies established under the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol and Party delegations attending sessions under the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol.¹ It noted with concern that, since the last report,² only one constituted body³ has seen an increase in the representation of women, which remains between 6 and 35 per cent in the majority of constituted bodies.

2. The SBI recalled that by decision 23/CP.18, Parties agreed to review progress made towards the goal of gender balance at the twenty-second session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) (November 2016). It urged Parties to enhance their efforts during COP 21 and the eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol to identify qualified women and nominate them to bodies established under the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol and to continue to strive for gender balance in their delegations in order to improve women's participation and inform a more effective climate change policy that addresses the needs of women and men equally.

3. The SBI welcomed the report by the secretariat on the in-session workshop on gender-responsive climate policy with a focus on mitigation action and technology development and transfer,⁴ which was held during the forty-second sessions of the subsidiary bodies. It noted with appreciation the submissions from Parties, admitted observer organizations and other stakeholders as input to the workshop.

4. Taking into account matters referred to in the workshop report, the SBI invited the secretariat, inter alia:

¹ FCCC/CP/2015/6.

² FCCC/CP/2014/7.

³ The Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts.

⁴ FCCC/SBI/2015/12.



(a) To include information on relevant tools and methods to assess the environmental, social and economic benefits of involving men and women equally in climate change related activities when preparing the technical paper on guidelines or other tools on integrating gender considerations into climate change related activities under the Convention in accordance with decision 18/CP.20, paragraph 14;

(b) In cooperation with relevant organizations, to:

(i) Capture and make publicly available good practice examples of gender-responsive mitigation and technology development and transfer policies and programmes;

(ii) Explore further ways and means to integrate gender-responsiveness into technology needs assessments in order to enhance their implementation.

5. The SBI encouraged Parties to use the information contained in the report referred to in paragraph 1 above to inform, support and strengthen the implementation of gender-responsive climate policy in the areas of mitigation action and technology development and transfer.

6. The SBI, recalling decision 18/CP.20, noted with appreciation the efforts of Parties and relevant organizations to support the implementation of that decision, particularly in relation to organizing training and awareness-raising activities on issues related to gender and climate change, and their efforts to strengthen existing work in the thematic areas of adaptation, mitigation, finance, technology and capacity-building so as to incorporate appropriate gender-sensitive and gender-responsive approaches into that work. It encouraged interested Parties, relevant organizations and the secretariat to continue such efforts pursuant to that decision.

7. The SBI encouraged Parties and admitted observer organizations to submit, by 3 February 2016, their views on the matters to be addressed at the in-session workshop on gender-responsive climate policy with a focus on adaptation and capacity-building and training for delegates on gender issues,⁵ to be held during SBI 44 in accordance with decision 18/CP.20.

8. The SBI took note of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraph 4 above.

9. The SBI requested that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

10. The SBI invited Parties and relevant organizations to provide the means for implementing the work referred to in paragraph 4 above.

⁵ Parties should submit their views via the submissions portal at <<http://www.unfccc.int/5900>>. Observer organizations should e-mail their submissions to <secretariat@unfccc.int>.