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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

Addendum

Recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice

The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, at its forty-second session, recommended the following draft decision for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-first session:

Draft decision -/CP.21

Methodological issues related to non-carbon benefits resulting from the implementation of the activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 70

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 1/CP.16, 1/CP.18 and 9/CP.19, paragraph 22,

Reaffirming 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, recognized in decision 9/CP.19, paragraph 22,

Recognizing that multiple non-carbon benefits associated with the activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 70, can contribute to adaptation,

1. *Recognizes* that non-carbon benefits associated with the activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 70, are unique to countries' national circumstances, in accordance with national sovereignty, legislation, policies and priorities;
2. *Also recognizes* that, in line with their national circumstances and capabilities, developing country Parties seeking support for the integration of non-carbon benefits into activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 70, with a view to contributing to the long-term sustainability of those activities, may provide information addressing, inter alia, the nature, scale and importance of the non-carbon benefits;
3. *Encourages* developing country Parties to share the information referred to in paragraph 2 above via the web platform on the UNFCCC website;¹
4. *Invites* interested developing country Parties to communicate the information referred to in paragraph 2 above for consideration by interested Parties and relevant financing entities, as appropriate;
5. *Decides* that methodological issues related to non-carbon benefits resulting from the implementation of the activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 70, do not constitute a requirement for developing country Parties seeking to receive support for the implementation of the actions and activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16 or results-based payments pursuant to decision 9/CP.19;
6. *Agrees* to conclude at this session the work on methodological issues related to non-carbon benefits from the implementation of the activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 70.

¹ <<http://unfccc.int/4531>>.