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Cover note

I. Introduction

A. Background

1. In accordance with the agreed procedures for preparing the joint annual report of the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network, the report shall contain a section as the joint chapter of the TEC and the CTCN. The procedures also note that the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the TEC and the CTCN Advisory Board (CTCN AB) are to prepare and finalize this joint chapter, taking into account any comments received from members of the TEC and the CTCN AB.

2. At TEC 17, the TEC Chair and Vice Chair will be invited to present the draft joint chapter prepared by the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the TEC and the CTCN AB.

B. Scope of the note

3. This cover note provides in the annex the draft joint chapter of the TEC and the CTCN as prepared by the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the TEC and the CTCN Advisory Board.

C. Expected action by the Technology Executive Committee

4. TEC members will be invited to consider the draft joint chapter and provide inputs for the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the TEC and the CTCN AB to take into account in finalizing the joint chapter.

Annex

Joint chapter of the joint annual report of the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network

1. The TEC and the CTCN continued to strengthen their collaboration in 2018 to enhance the work of the Technology Mechanism and catalyze actions to achieve the objectives of the Convention, the Paris Agreement and the Sustainable Development Goals. This collaboration will continue to facilitate Parties' efforts to accelerate their action on technology development and transfer through the promotion of technology cooperation and partnerships.
2. In supporting the implementation of the Paris Agreement, the two bodies of the Technology Mechanism advanced work on climate technology research, development and demonstration (RD&D). The TEC and CTCN co-hosted with the GCF a thematic dialogue on boosting climate technology incubators and accelerators and developed a policy brief on this issue. These actions supported the GCF to identify how it may finance such incubators and accelerators in developing countries, with the aim of supporting these countries to accelerate the innovation of climate technologies. The three bodies also participated in a CTCN expert meeting on national systems of innovation and a TEC task force on innovation and RD&D.
3. The TEC and the CTCN also continued to work to strengthen the linkages between the Technology Mechanism and the Financial Mechanism. In addition to the activities described in paragraph 2 above, the Chairs of the TEC and the CTCN Advisory Board participated in the GCF annual meeting with constituted bodies under the Convention at COP 23 to enhance cooperation and coherence of engagement between the GCF and the Technology Mechanism.
4. In response to a decision of COP 23, the TEC and the CTCN enhanced their engagement in the technical examination process on mitigation (TEP-M). They provided inputs on topics for the TEP-M for the period until 2020 and co-hosted and participated in regional technical expert meetings (TEMs) in 2018, organized in conjunction with the Africa and Latin America and Caribbean Climate Weeks and the CTCN Regional Forum for National Designated Entities (NDE) from Asia and the Pacific. The TEC and the CTCN also met, at the margin of SB 48, with the SB Chairs, the high-level climate champions and the co-chairs of the Adaptation Committee to exchange views on synergies and complementarity within the technical examination process. The outcomes of this work will be incorporated into the respective work plans and activities of the TEC and CTCN.
5. The TEC and the CTCN also continued to collaborate on Technology Needs Assessment (TNA)-related activities, including working with the Adaptation Committee and Least Developed Countries Expert Group on considering how countries could align their TNAs with national adaptation plans. The TEC also cooperated with the CTCN and UNEP DTU to organize a workshop on TNAs in conjunction with the CTCN Regional NDE Forum in Africa.
6. During SB 48, the TEC and the CTCN participated in the Gender Dialogue to discuss how to integrate gender in their respective workstreams. The two bodies also participated in the second meeting of the Paris Committee on Capacity Building to discuss how to enhance synergies between the constituted bodies.
7. Looking forward, the TEC and the CTCN will continue to work together in 2019 to respond to COP guidance and to support countries to implement the Paris Agreement. The Technology Mechanism will continue to enhance its efforts to engage with Parties as well as to strengthen collaboration with other constituted bodies and relevant stakeholders. The TEC and the CTCN will also continue to support the implementation of the technology elements of nationally determined contributions and national adaptation plans.