

7th meeting of the Adaptation Committee

Agenda item 10 (a)

External representation and collaboration

Update on external processes

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I: Background and context

- ❖ 2015 is an important year for several international processes, with the following expected agreements:
 - UNFCCC – Paris agreement;
 - UNISDR – post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction;
 - UN - post-2015 development agenda, including sustainable development goals.



II: Summary

❖ **UNISDR – post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction**

- To be agreed at the Third World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction in Sendai, Japan, from 14 to 18 March 2015;
- Succeeding Hyogo Framework for Action;
- Preparatory Committee established;
- Pre-zero and zero drafts of the framework included references to targets;
- Informal working group established to look into targets and indicators as well as into an enhanced monitoring system for the framework;
- TORs of the working group refer to the need for a coherent approach by establishing linkages with e.g. the SDG and the climate change processes – envisaging international cooperation and dialogue for coherent, mutual reinforced and complementary targets and indicators.



II: Summary

❖ UNISDR – post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction

- Informal working group has come up with a proposal of 7 global targets and transmitted them to the Preparatory Committee (further information on its work is available here: <http://www.wcdrr.org/preparatory/openmeetings/targetsandindicators>);
- Target 5 has a particular linkage to climate change adaptation (currently proposed language: “[substantially] increase the number of countries with national and local strategies by 2020”);
- Respective indicators have not yet been discussed;
- The next meeting of the Preparatory Committee is scheduled directly preceding the World Conference in March where it will consider its final recommendations to the Conference;
- Likely outcome: establishment of a working group to further consider indicators and a monitoring process for the global targets following the agreement in Sendai.



II: Summary

❖ UN - post-2015 development agenda, including sustainable development goals

- Post – 2015 development agenda will be launched at a Summit in September 2015;
- Currently being elaborated through informal consultations of the UN General Assembly;
- The process is Member State-led with broad participation from Major Groups and other civil society stakeholders;
- UN has played a facilitating role, supported broad consultations and is supporting Member States by providing evidence-based inputs, analytical thinking and field experience;
- Numerous inputs have been provided to the agenda, e.g. a set of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) proposed by an open working group of the GA, the report of an intergovernmental committee of experts on sustainable development financing, and many others;
- Secretary-General has synthesized all inputs and presented a synthesis report as a contribution to the intergovernmental negotiations in the lead up to the Summit (available here: <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/post2015>).



II: Summary

❖ **UN - post-2015 development agenda, including sustainable development goals**

- Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals has come up with a proposal for 17 SDGs;
- Goal 13 reads: “Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts”, acknowledging that the UNFCCC is the primary forum for negotiating a global response to CC;
- Accompanied by 5 global targets with a focus on strengthening resilience and adaptive capacity;
- Indicators focusing on measurable outcomes are under development through a consultative process, involving the technical support team of the intergovernmental negotiations and led by the international statistical community. The indicators shall allow global monitoring of the targets and goals.



III: Next steps

The AC may wish to consider this information and monitor subsequent developments under these processes as they relate to the work of the AC.

