Introduction of agenda item – 4g Workshop on monitoring and evaluation of adaptation

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I: Background and context

A workshop on the monitoring and evaluation (M&E) of adaptation has been included in AC's work plan, with the three guiding questions:

- 1. Given the diverse set of indicators that currently exist to measure and evaluate adaptation, how can communities, countries and development and adaptation agencies build on a common understanding of success in achieving climate resilience?
- 2. How can a framework be created that links individual assessments with national level assessments to broaden the focus from the means of achieving outcomes (individual interventions) to the desired end result (countries' becoming less vulnerable and having more adaptive capacity)?
- 3. How can results from monitoring and reporting be reported and disseminated so as to ensure that they are fed back into the respective adaptation process but also to allow for lessons learned and good practices identified to be shared with the wider community of adaptation planners and practitioners?



II: Proposed next steps

A concept paper provides with details on the scope, focus, target audience and a draft agenda of the workshop.

Scope and focus

Linkages between the national, programme and project levels, to share countries' experiences. How existing M&E frameworks can support national efforts. A need to differentiate between monitoring and evaluation of adaptation.

Draft outline.

<u>Introduction</u> to the current state of play on M&E of adaptation. Ongoing initiatives, challenges and lessons learned, so baseline level of knowledge is defined.

<u>Success in adaptation?</u> Addressing the first guiding question. This session will allow the sharing of experience from different countries, sectors and levels.

Measuring success in adaptation? Look at the diverse set of existing indicators and discuss how success is measured in various sectors, at different levels and by using different approaches such as cost-effectiveness.

<u>Linking M&E with national planning and development</u> - framework that links individual with national level assessments to broaden the focus from the means of achieving outcomes (individual interventions) to the desired end result - reduced vulnerability and more adaptive capacity of institutions, decision-making processes etc.



II: Proposed next steps

Draft outline - cont.

Monitoring. Building upon the previous session, this session discusses existing national level monitoring systems, including in different sectors and audit systems, and how they link to monitoring of project level interventions. Lessons learned and good practices.

Evaluation. Taking into account the results of the previous session, this session looks at ways to link national evaluations with project and programme level evaluations of adaptation. Share early experience so far and identify lessons learned and good practices, including in evaluating cost effectiveness and cost efficiency.

<u>M&E cycle</u> and key elements needed to ensure that results from monitoring and reporting are disseminated and fed back into adaptation and planning processes

Ways to enhance M&E of adaptation. Recommendations and guidance for consideration by the COP, as appropriate and as needed, with a view to providing technical support and guidance to Parties, in order to facilitate implementation of adaptation actions.

Target audience and format of the workshop

40-60 participants, experts in implementing adaptation at different levels, so that the guiding questions can be addressed. Public sector, academia, civil society, MDBs and bilateral technical cooperation agencies, ensuring geographical balance.

Different formats enabling in-depth discussions, e.g "dinner style layout" - people from various sectors and countries are sitting around small round tables, will enable interaction.



III: Topics for further guidance

The AC may wish to use the information provided in the concept paper to discuss and agree at AC3 on:

- 1. The framing of the sessions to ensure that they address the guiding questions and the goals set at AC2;
- 2. The flow, format and objectives of the different sessions;
- 3. The role of AC members during the actual workshop, including agreeing on recommendations to the COP and chairing the workshop, and following up on the workshop;
- 4. Tasks to be performed between AC3 and the workshop, including preparation of any background documents and the role of the secretariat.

