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Coherence and collaboration on means of implementation and on adaptation technical support and guidance to the Parties

1. Introduction and scope of the paper

The overarching objective of the Adaptation Committee is to promote adaptation in a coherent manner under the Convention. As such, the Adaptation Committee has sought over the last year to identify ways in which it can achieve this objective. It is an ongoing discussion, and one that continues to evolve as the Committee grows more mature.

At its first meeting, for example, the Committee developed a work plan where it articulated a desire to interact more with other Convention bodies, as evidenced by activity 3(i) of the work plan which states that the Committee will meet with representatives from other constituted bodies and groups, and activities 3(ii) and (iii) which states that the Committee will contribute its adaptation expertise to the work of the Standing Committee on Finance (SCF) and the Technology Executive Committee (TEC) and Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN) (activity 3(ii) and (iii)). The Committee also identified activities in its work plan where it could partner with other constituted bodies, like the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG), or agenda items, like the Nairobi work programme (NWP).

While this was a good start, as the Committee began to implement its work plan, it became increasingly clear that the Committee could be doing more to promote coherence as it performs its agreed functions. At its third meeting, for example, the Committee agreed that it:

- Would not meet with other bodies/groups just for meeting sake, but to base these interactions on a clear and shared understanding of our objectives for collaboration. The Committee agreed to identify ways in which it could more systematically communicate and collaborate with other bodies/groups;
- Would collaborate more closely with the LEG on several activities related to national adaptation plan processes, including by contributing to the LEG's efforts to develop a NAPs database (rather than creating its own clearinghouse); and
- Needed to ensure internal coherence between and among the 22 activities of its work plan, recognizing that individual activities should, ideally, not be stand-alone activities but rather building off other activities. At AC3, the Committee began referring to individual activities as being part of broader "work streams".

This paper seeks to advance the discussion on coherence even further at AC4.

Section A of the paper provides an overview of collaboration with the TEC, CTCN, SCF, Board of the Green Climate Fund (GCF-Board), LEG and NWP and a summary of substantive issues and next steps for consideration by the Adaptation Committee at its fourth meeting.

Section B of the paper provides input for the Adaptation Committee to consider how it may wish to:

• Respond to the COP 18 request for the Committee to elaborate on activity 19 of its work plan through the articulation of a more coherent work stream on means of implementation, which weaves together the various activities of the work plan (as well as proposes addition of several new activities). This also includes a proposal for a joint-task force on means of implementation; and

• Respond to the COP 19 request to elaborate on activities 7 and 8 of its work plan through the proposal to capture these and other related activities in a more coherent work stream on adaptation technical support and guidance to the Parties.

Section A

A.1 Collaboration with bodies under the Convention

In pursuing the objective of coherence under the Convention, a key focus of the AC is to interact in a constructive and meaningful way with other Convention bodies. This involves a two-way engagement where the AC representatives attend meetings of other constituted bodies and work programs, like TEC, CTCN, AFB, CGE, GCF Board, and LTF work program, as well as inviting representatives of other contituted bodies to attend AC meetings. More importantly, however, is the need to have clear goals to guide such interactions. One principal objective of these interactions is to raise awareness and education about adaptation among bodies that lack but could benefit from the AC's adaptation expertise.

A.1.1 Collaboration with the Technology Executive Committee

Relevant TEC work to-date

Since AC2, there has been substantive interaction between the AC and the TEC on ways to enhance collaboration, including through the exchange of letters and participation in Committee meetings and workshops. An area of concrete collaboration identified are technology brief(s) on adaptation that are being developed by the TEC.

Substantive issues

As elaborated by the TEC Chair in his letter of July 29, the TEC briefs are targeted at policy makers and decision makers in industry, research institutes, financial institutions, insurance companies dealing with matters related to technology development and transfer and seek to compile and synthesize the latest information on specific technologies and technology planning tools. The TEC very much welcomed the willingness of the AC to collaborate on those briefs. It invited the AC Chair and Vice-Chair to participate in the TEC workshop on technologies for adaptation (first quarter of 2014) and the AC to collaborate in drafting the TEC Brief(s) on adaptation.

The TEC Chair further suggested that some exchanges between members of the coherence working group of the AC and members of the TEC's linkage taskforce take place supported by the secretariat with a view to defining further areas of collaboration.

Next steps and issues for consideration at AC4

The AC may wish to accept the invitation for exchanges. The coherence group and the TEC linkages taskforce could organize a conference call as first step in September/October. During this call, the AC and TEC could discuss expectations for the TEC Brief(s) on adaptation, gain a better understanding of the audience, agree on ways to collaborate on the briefs, including through joint authorship; and explore further areas for collaboration.

A.1.2 Collaboration with the Climate Technology Centre and Network

Relevant CTCN work to-date

The CTCN Advisory Board met for the first time in May 2013, where it elected a chair and vice chair and started a discussion on the modalities and procedures of the CTCN, e.g., how it will manage requests from developing countries, foster collaboration and access to information and knowledge, strengthen networks and partnerships, etc. The Vice Chair of the Adaptation Committee was nominated by the Chair of the Adaptation Committee to represent the Adaptation Committee on the CTCN Advisory Board.

In addition to these Board meetings, UNEP has undertaken four regional consultations this year in Asia, Africa and Latin America to identify demand for mitigation and adaptation support from the CTCN. Stakeholders at these dialogues discussed priorities for enhanced action on technology development and transfer to support adaptation and mitigation action, possible priority sectors and technologies for adaptation, and suggestions that may guide the Board in developing prioritization criteria.

Substantive issues

The Board will continue its discussion of modalities at its second meeting on September 9-11 2013. It will also discuss two substantive issues. The first issue is criteria for prioritizing country requests to the CTCN, and the second issue is criteria for establishing the network. The Chair of the CTCN Advisory Board will prioritize discussion on the first issue since agreement is critical to getting the CTCN up and running.

UNEP prepared information papers on each of these issues to help frame the discussion of the CTCN Board at its September meeting.¹

Next steps and issues for consideration at AC4

Because the CTCN Board meeting will be held September 9-11, at the same time as the Adaptation Committee M&E workshop, the Vice Chair will be unable to attend the CTCN Board meeting. The AC should therefore consider developing a written statement at AC4 on the two substantive issues identified above for the Vice Chair of the Adaptation Committee, as a member of the CTCN Board, to deliver to the CTCN Board immediately after AC4. In providing input to the CTCN Board, the AC should keep in mind its functions and the contribution it can make with respect to its adaptation expertise (rather than more general developing country, LDC or SIDS expertise).

On the issue of prioritizing country requests to the CTCN, the AC at its fourth meeting may consider it has adaptation-specific input on:

- How the CTCN will achieve the objective of ensuring overall balance is maintained between adaptation and mitigation? If not, do we have specific input to contribute?
- Whether we have additional criteria to add or can suggest reasons why certain criteria may not make sense for adaptation (see paragraphs 15-16 of information paper)?
- How the CTCN will achieve the objective of ensuring balance among regions in response to requests for adaptation support?
- Whether the CTCN should be limiting adaptation support to a small number of sectors or keeping it open and flexible. If yes, keep it to a limited number of sectors, do we think that sustainable agriculture and water management should be the priority sectors/areas for support (if so why, and if not why not and which sectors would we recommend)?

On criteria for establishing the network, the AC at its fourth meeting may consider whether it has adaptation-specific input on:

- Whether the four options on how the structure of the Network (paragraph 18 of information paper) can adequately capture the range of adaptation service providers that are needed; and
- The list of priority adaptation sectors (Annex 1 of information paper).

To undertake this work at AC4, the Vice Chair of the Adaptation Committee will share the two CTCN papers with the Adaptation Committee in advance of its meeting and will provide an overview of the two papers and the questions highlighted above.

A.1.3 Collaboration with the Standing Committee on Finance

Relevant SCF work to-date

It is understood that the SCF has not yet taken up adaptation specifically but that they intend to do so. It should be noted however that the Adaptation Committee contributed to SC Forum in Barcelona on 28 May 2013. In addition, the SCF Co-Chair, Ms Diann Black-Layne, was invited to and participated at AC3 on 16 June.

¹ See "Draft Prioritization for Requests from Countries" and "Draft Criteria for Prioritizing Requests from Countries paper and Draft Design, Operation, and Criteria of the Climate Technology Network" as shared by the Vice Chair with the Adaptation Committee.

Substantive Issues

In activity 3 of the AC's work plan, it was decided that the Committee will contribute to the work of the SCF. The actual substance of the AC's contribution could be guided by the response to the questions in the "Next Steps" below. There is a need for two-way dialogue to avoid misunderstanding and enhance cooperative work. The importance of such dialogue was demonstrated by several questions posed by the SCF to the Committee at AC3. The questions posed by the SCF include what is adaptation technology, what is adaptation capacity building, and what is adaptation finance.

Next steps and issues for consideration at AC4

In developing its contribution to the SCF, a number of issues to be considered by the Committee to guide its deliberation are:

- Beyond attending meetings, what other substantive forms of contribution could be made to the SCF's work?
- Where do we want to plug in?
- Could our way of strengthening dialogue be through the proposed joint task force below?

A.1.4 Collaboration with the Board of the Green Climate Fund

Relevant GCF-Board work-to date

At its meeting in June, the GCF Board:

- Decided that, in the short term, the Fund should commence its engagement with UNFCCC thematic bodies, with a view to reassessing this engagement at the Fund and UNFCCC bodies evolve;
- Requested the Interim Secretariat to invite the Global Environment Facility Secretariat, the Adaptation Fund and the Climate Investment Funds to take up observer status with the GCF;
- Further requested the Interim Secretariat to engage informally with other external bodies by exchanging information, as required.

Next steps and issues for consideration at AC4

This decision does not say much about when and how the Board will commence its engagement with the UNFCCC bodies.

The AC should seek clarity from the Board on how the Board will seek and receive information from the AC (e.g., broad policy advice, advice on priorities) in a timely manner so that the AC can provide well-considered input. The AC, for example, could provide technical expertise on the business model framework paper, including results options and indicators. With respect to indicators, this may be particularly relevant given the work the AC is doing on M&E.

A.1.5 Collaboration with the Least Developed Countries Expert Group

Relevant LEG work-to-date

The LEG has actively been working on the implementation of its workplan, which has as one of the central elements the support for LDCs on the NAP process. Some of the activities developed by the LEG have included training, outreach, technical guidance to support the NAP process, consideration of issues of gender and vulnerable groups in adaptation, monitoring and evaluation of the NAPAs and NAPs, and synergies and coherence with other bodies of the Convention, including the AC.

In this context, issues of collaboration and relationship between the LEG and AC has been addressed through involvement of members from both groups in the implementation of single activities, for example a member of LEG supporting the AC team working on the review of the technical guidelines and modalities for non-LDCs for NAPs, and members of the AC supporting the LEG work on the development of methodologies for best practices and lessons learned and the development of NAP central (see more detail on these activities in the NAPs paper prepared for AC4²). Therefore, the LEG is indisputably the key entity driving adaptation work in support of LDCs, and addressing coherence between AC and LEG for the objective of enhancing and mutually supporting the work of both bodies is key.

Substantive issues

A key challenge is how to make the operational a dynamic link between the LEG and AC. A common concern that contributes to interactions and cooperation being limited to stand-alone activities is the issues of "overstepping mandates". In other words, the concerns arising from "overstepping mandates" could arise if, for example a call for activities comes from the AC that conflicts with activities already under way by the LEG or with its mandate. Additionally, another issue is the expediency with which the AC can respond to needs or request of the LEG given that the LEG is implementing its work within a timeline approved by the COP.

Additionally, giving the long-standing role of the LEG in supporting LDCs, it is often misunderstood that the AC has limited or no role on those matters that concern the LEG. However, the AC is expected to support LDCs in the same manner that supports all Parties. Furthermore, the interpretation and operationalization of paragraph 104 of decision 2/CP.17 is not clear.

Next steps and issues for consideration at AC4

The AC at its fourth meeting may consider:

- How to have a more dynamic dialogue with the LEG and how to strengthen collaboration in a manner that builds on mandates?
- How to harmonize the work of the AC on non-LDCs NAPs?
- How to support the overall LEG work plan mindful of respective mandates and roles and of the timelines of the LEG activities?

A.1.6 Collaboration with the Nairobi work programme

The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), at its 38th session, expressed its readiness to support, through the Nairobi work programme, the AC in the implementation of relevant activities within its workplan. The SBSTA invited the AC to provide recommendations in its next report on how the work programme could provide such support. A background note³ was prepared for AC4 to serve as a basis for the AC to discuss and provide recommendations. As the note shows, ample opportunities exist for the NWP to support the AC in its work, including through undertaking joint or sequencing activities so that they build on each other to enhance coherence and synergy.

Next steps and issues for consideration at AC4

The AC will be invited to consider the proposals contained in document *"Possible support from* the *Nairobi work programme to the work of the Adaptation Committee"* and agree on next steps to respond to the mandate referred to in paragraph 4 above.

A.2 Remaining issues

During the first quarter of 2014, the Adaptation Committee will need to consider activity 16 of its work plan. It may wish to do so in the context of this paper's proposed approach on coherence. This small group on coherence may wish to prepare a paper on how the Committee may address activity 16 in preparation for AC5.

A.3 Matters for consideration and decision at AC4

• Consider accepting the invitation from the TEC for exchanges, including a first conference call;

² See AC/2013/26 – Proposal on engagement of the AC with the LEG on collaboration on NAPs on <unfccc.int/7720>.

³ See "Possible support from the Nairobi work programme to the work of the Adaptation Committee" AC/2013/24. Available at <unfccc.int/7720>.

- Consider developing a written statement at AC4 on prioritization issues for the Vice Chair of the Adaptation Committee, as a member of the CTCN Board, to deliver to the CTCN Board immediately after AC4;
- Consider seeking clarity from the GCF-Board on how the GCF-Board will seek and receive information from the AC in a timely manner so that the AC can provide well-considered input;
- Consider how to strengthen collaboration in a manner that builds on mandates, harmonizes work of the AC on non-LDCs NAPS, and supports the overall LEG work plan without conflicting with each other's roles and mandates;
- Consider the proposals contained in document "Possible support from the Nairobi work programme to the work of the Adaptation Committee";
- Consider including description of the evolution of the Committee's approach to implementing activity 3 of its work plan, as captured in this section, in its report to the COP.
- Consider issues listed in section A and determine appropriate actions by the AC;
- Consider issues listed in section A and determine any recommendations to the COP.

Section B

B.1. Means of implementation: a stream of work within the AC workplan and joint work

In this section, we seek to provide input to the Adaptation Committee on how it may wish to respond to the COP 18 request for the Committee to elaborate on activity 19 of its work plan.

B.1.1. Workstream on means of implementation

Activity 19 provides an opportunity to provide further coherence to the work of the AC and ultimately to help it achieve its objective. As such, the AC may wish to also articulate to the COP that activities in its work plan are not stand-alone activities, but rather build upon one another. Activity 19 calls to "Consider various issues and approaches in relation to means of implementation, such as: Monitoring adaptation programmes and projects implemented, including the funding provided and received, and providing a synthesis report to the COP; Inviting a dialogue between adaptation practitioners and financial institutions on funding adaptation; Improving coherence with regard to monitoring and evaluating adaptation activities." Anchored in the functions, in particular function D and E, this work could be clustered to make the case of adaptation, make the work more coherent, etc. Other activities can be synced. Some of the outcomes of current activities, such as certain aspects of M&E should also inform this work.

The below proposal seeks to carry forward this activity in such a spirit and mindful of the fact that the COP has requested clarification on this activity, where we build on existing activities in the workplan and their outputs and deliverables, follow up on their outputs (e.g. some of the work to come out of the invitation to regional and UN agencies), utilize work proposed on coherence (activity 1), and identify new activities that may be necessary to enable work on this matter, such as submissions, etc.

Table 1- Workstream on means of implementation ⁴	
Activity	Output and Timing
Mapping of mandates, work plans and/or decisions with adaptation relevance (Activity 1 of current work plan)	 Information paper on possible cooperation in order to reduce duplication of actions, address gaps and strengthen synergies. Identification of decisions with adaptation relevance and inclusion of actions of the Adaptation Committee in an updated workplan, as appropriate. Updated every year after the COP.
Comparison and analysis of maps in order to identify concrete activities to reduce duplication, address gaps and promote synergies (Activity 2 of current work plan)	 Discussion of maps Identification of concrete activities to reduce duplication, address gaps and promote synergies and of actions that may need to be undertaken by the

⁴ Grey denotes activities already agreed in the 3 year workplan, which this proposal suggests to "weave" to ensure tightening of the work.

	Adaptation Committee
	Adaptation Committee. – At first meeting after every COP.
Implement activities to reduce duplication, address gaps and promote synergies (Activity 3 of current work plan)	 Working linkages with all adaptation-relevant bodies and work programmes under the Convention. Shared understanding among the Adaptation Committee and other adaptation-relevant bodies, as well as across agenda items, on ways in which to reduce duplication, address gaps and promote synergies, in order to enhance action on adaptation. Ongoing
Invite relevant regional institutions and UN agencies to communicate their current support for adaptation in developing countries, incl. capacity building, incl. of national institutions (Activity 5 of current work plan) (Note that many of the expected information on this item could inform the "Work stream on adaptation technical support and guidance to the Parties", stressing the linkages noted above.	Q1 2013
Invite submissions by developed country Parties and bilateral, regional and other multilateral channels on current experience, including criterias, priorities, and other relevant information, on means to incentivize the implementation of adaptation actions, including finance, technology and capacity- building and other ways to enable climate- resilient development and reduce vulnerability	Information to enable the elaboration of a synthesis paper. Early 2014, Q1.
Synthesis paper developed by Secretariat on current landscape on means of implementation, considering submissions and other information available, including relevant information related to means of implementation from activity 5 of the 3-year workplan	Information for AC to enable informed discussions for further engaging on this activity. Timing Q1, 2014
Review of the synthesis paper by AC to draw key issues to ultimately provide guidance on means to incentivize the implementation of adaptation actions, including finance, technology and capacity-building and other ways to enable climate-resilient development and reduce vulnerability, including to the operating entities of the financial mechanism of the Convention, as appropriate; and include relevant lessons from the 2013 M&E workshop	Analysis of synthesis paper to enable engagement of the AC at future activities on this workstream. Timing First meeting AC, 2014.
Convene a workshop with the relevant bilateral, regional and multilateral institutions facilitating the means of implementation (finance, technology and capacity-building), as well as with development agencies at the country level, to discuss how to further promote the implementation of enhanced action in a coherent manner under the Convention (Activity 4 of current work plan)	Scoping paper for the workshop, Q3 2013, Workshop and report on the workshop First quarter of 2014, Provision of information and recommendations, drawing from good adaptation practices, as appropriate and as needed, for consideration by the COP when providing guidance on means to incentivize the implementation of adaptation actions, including finance, technology and capacity- building, and other ways to enable climate-resilient development and reduce vulnerability, Q4 2014.
Convene an in-session workshop during SB sessions of 2014 to present work of the AC up to date on this matter and to discuss technical challenges and best practices in the experience of developing countries in accessing means to incentivize the	(discuss details and timing at AC4)

implementation of adaptation actions,	
including finance, technology and capacity-	
building and other ways to enable climate-	
resilient development and reduce	
vulnerability, including to the operating	
entities of the financial mechanism of the	
Convention	
Develop, in collaboration with the TEC and	Q4, 2014
LEG, an input document with information and	
recommendations, drawing on adaptation	
good practices, for consideration by the	
Conference of the Parties when providing	
guidance on means to incentivize the	
implementation of adaptation actions and	
technology, as well as considering work	
completed during 2014, information	
communicated by Parties on their monitoring	
and review of adaptation actions, support	
provided and received, possible needs and	
gaps and other relevant information,	
including information communicated under	
the Convention, with a view to recommending	
what further actions may be required, as	
appropriate	
Develop, in collaboration with the SCF and	Q4, 2014
LEG, an input document with information and	Q1,2011
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and review of adaptation actions, support	
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gaps and other relevant information,	
including information communicated under	
the Convention, with a view to recommending	
what further actions may be required, as	
appropriate	
Placeholder for relevant activities arising	
from the collaboration with Bodies and	
Programmes discussed in Section A above.	
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The new activities included in table 1 above, as well as table 2 below, require further discussion by AC4. For example, an invitation for submissions and a synthesis paper could be useful, if it is clear what type of information the AC is seeking and for what purpose, as well as other concerns in order to ensure that such information is objective or could provide input that would allow for objective analysis. Further, it will be important to make the linkages with our first experience with invitations for submissions (the UN and regional call) in making calls for new input. Additionally, the AC could consider how to structure the workshop (activity 4) in such a way that allows for useful discussion on how different channels operate, what works and does not from an objective evidence-based perspective. This series of activities might also be useful for the SCF, so the AC should discuss with them as well as part of section A.1.3.

B.1.2 Proposal for joint-task force on means of implementation

At AC3, the Adaptation Committee discussed possible actions to address the matter of coherence with regards to means of implementation and adaptation. A proposal for a joint-task force on means of implementation to include representatives from the constituted bodies included above in section A was discussed as an option, and further discussion will follow at AC4, including on the general objective of this group and details to make it operational in 2014.

AC4 could further discuss how this would work if the TEC and LEG, for example, already have a coherence/linkages work, the advantages and disadvantages of formalizing a joint-task force with approval by the COP or establishing such a group within the scope of the modalities of the AC,⁵ as well as the advantages and disadvantages of proceeding as proposed by the TEC. It could further consider how this work would relate to the recent GCF Board decision and the required direct dialogue with other constituted bodies before making a recommendation to the COP.

B.2 Workstream on adaptation technical support and guidance to the Parties

In this section, we seek to provide input to the AC on how it may wish to respond to the COP 18 request for the AC to elaborate on activities 7 and 8 of its work plan. This work related to technical support and guidance to the Parties is present in more activities, and when the AC considers activity 7, it should consider not only information from activity 6, but also other activities to establish a clear workstream on coherence related to adaptation action, technical support and guidance to the Parties.

The AC may wish to make clear that activities 7 and 8 are planned for early 2014, and that these activities are closely linked to other work plan activities, which are currently being executed, such as activity 5 (invitation to UN and regional organizations for information on how they are supporting countries in undertaking the Cancun Adaptation Framework), and to future activities, such as activity 6 (compiling a list of regional networks and centers, with a view to strengthening their role in supporting country action), which is planned for the first quarter of 2014. When the AC considers activities 7 and 8 in the first quarter of 2014, it should consider not only information from activities 5 and 6, but also other relevant activities in the work plan.

As such, the AC may wish to also articulate to the COP that activities in its work plan are not stand-alone activities, but rather build upon one another. Through activities 7 and 8, as well as other relevant activities of the work plan as outlined in the below table, the AC is performing its objective of promoting coherence and its function of providing technical support and guidance to the Parties (1/CP16, Para 20, function a).

Table 2- Workstream on adaptation technical support and guidance to the Parties 6		
Activity	Output and Timing	
Mapping of mandates, work plans and/or decisions with adaptation relevance <i>(Activity 1 of current</i> <i>work plan)</i>	 Information paper on possible cooperation in order to reduce duplication of actions, address gaps and strengthen synergies. Identification of decisions with adaptation relevance and inclusion of actions of the Adaptation Committee in an updated workplan, as appropriate. Updated every year after the COP. 	
Comparison and analysis of maps in order to identify concrete activities to reduce duplication, address gaps and promote synergies (Activity 2 of current work plan)	 Discussion of maps. Identification of concrete activities to reduce duplication, address gaps and promote synergies and of actions that may need to be undertaken by the Adaptation Committee. At first meeting after every COP. 	
Implement activities to reduce duplication, address gaps and promote synergies <i>(Activity 3 of current work plan)</i>	 Working linkages with all adaptation-relevant bodies and work programmes under the Convention. Shared understanding among the Adaptation Committee and other adaptation-relevant bodies, as well as across agenda items, on ways in which to reduce duplication, address gaps and promote synergies, in order to enhance action on 	

⁵ "Encourages the Adaptation Committee to establish subcommittees, panels, thematic advisory groups or task-focused ad hoc working groups, if required, to provide, inter alia, expert advice in different sectors and areas, in order to assist the Adaptation Committee in performing its functions and achieving its objectives" Para 113, Decision 2/CP17.

⁶ Grey denotes activities already agreed in the 3-year workplan, which this proposal suggests to make more coherent to ensure tightening of the work.

	adaptation. – Timing: Ongoing
Convene workshops with input from and the participation of the SC, the TEC, the LEG, the GCF-B, the LDCF/SCCF and other relevant bodies and programmes, in order to share technical adaptation- related expertise on topics such as: Best practices and needs of local and indigenous communities (Second topic still to be determined by the Adaptation Committee in consultation with relevant stakeholders) (Activity 3(v) of current work plan)	Identification of recommendations and guidance for consideration by the COP, as appropriate and as needed, based on the outcomes of the workshop on best practices and the needs of local and indigenous communities, with a view to providing technical support and guidance to Parties, in order to facilitate the enhanced implementation of adaptation actions Decision to be taken by the Adaptation Committee on the second topic in consultation with relevant stakeholders
Establish working linkages: Meet with reps of LEG; engage in NAPs and NWP agenda items; Collaborate with LEG in its efforts to support LDCs in NAPs process; Suggest that we think of activities 10, 11, 12 and 13 as part of this collaboration	(Details contained in the AC 3-y workplan)
Activity 10-11 & 12 & 13: NAPs for non-LDCs; NAPs clearinghouse; and communication of good practices w/r/t NAPs process (see link with activity 3 above)	 Creation of an ad hoc group within the Adaptation Committee and identification of the tasks of the group, for a report containing recommendations and input for consideration by the Adaptation Committee. Report identifying modalities and guidelines for consideration by the Adaptation Committee. Modalities and guidelines developed, using, as input, the report of the ad hoc group and other relevant work, such as outputs of the LEG. Exchange of information with Parties, relevant bodies, programmes and institutions. Information paper on lessons learned and good practices.
Conduct a workshop on the monitoring and evaluation of adaptation, building on and contributing to existing processes related to this topic <i>(Activity 14 of current work plan)</i>	Identification of 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 the enhanced implementation of adaptation actions (including possible contribution to NAPs work
Convene a meeting to gather up-to-date information on adaptation, including the limits of adaptation, in collaboration with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Working Group II (IPCC-WGII) (Activity 15 of current work plan)	After IPCC AR5 release
Convene an expert meeting, led by members of the Adaptation Committee, on promoting livelihood and economic diversification to build resilience in the context of planning, prioritizing and implementing adaptation actions (Activity 18 of current work plan)	Fourth quarter of 2015
Placeholder for additional actions on this regards, e.g. NAP work, work with UN Agencies, etc. and activities emerging from work in section A)	

B.3 Matters for consideration and decision at AC4

- Consider the proposal for the joint-task force and any necessary follow-up actions, if agreed;
- Consider the proposal for the workstream on means of implementation and any additional activities and details necessary (see Table 1), including specific collaboration with other bodies of the Convention;

- Consider the proposal on adaptation technical support and guidance to the Parties and details necessary (see Table 2), including specific collaboration with other bodies of the Convention;
- Consider issues listed in section B and determine appropriate actions by the AC
- Consider issues listed in section B and determine any recommendations to the COP.