

Adaptation Committee and Least Developed Countries Expert Group

Agenda item 5 (c-e)

Draft recommendations developed by the Adaptation Committee and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group to address decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 41 and, in collaboration with the Standing Committee on Finance, to address decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 45

Supporting the implementation of the Paris outcomes

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I: Introduction and background

The COP requested the following tasks be undertaken and recommendations be provided for CMA 1

AC and LEG	AC and LEG, in collaboration with SCF and others	AC and LEG, in collaboration with SCF and others
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To jointly develop modalities to recognize the adaptation efforts of developing country Parties as referred to in Article 7.3 of the Paris Agreement (decision 1/CP.21, para 41)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To develop methodologies on taking the necessary steps to facilitate the mobilization of support for adaptation in developing countries in the context of the limit to global average temperature increase referred to in Article 2 of the Paris Agreement (decision 1/CP.21, para 45(a))	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop methodologies on reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support referred to in Article 7.14(c) of the Paris Agreement (decision 1/CP.21, para 45(b))



II: Approach to the paper

- ❖ **Paper reflects** state of discussions and reflections by the AC and the LEG, including their joint working group, based on:
 - Submissions from Parties and observers
 - Feedback received from Parties and observers during COP 22 and SB46
 - Desk review of relevant literature
 - Submissions received on related mandates
- ❖ **Paper presents:**
 - Overall context
 - Draft recommendations for each mandate and underlying considerations, which guided the development of the recommendations



5 (c): Modalities to recognize the adaptation efforts of developing countries

AC and LEG

- To jointly develop modalities to **recognize the adaptation efforts of developing country Parties** as referred to in Article 7.3 of the Paris Agreement (decision 1/CP.21, para 41)

Considerations:

- ✓ The types of efforts that should be recognized, how to recognize those efforts and who should be recognizing them
- ✓ The recognition of efforts should be country-driven and could include:
 - Financial, technological and CB investments
 - Enabling/facilitating effective processes and systems
 - NAPs, action plans, strategy or policies
 - National, subnational and community level actions
 - Outcomes and demonstrable results
- ✓ Importance of periodically and comprehensively analysing and synthesizing information



5(c): Draft recommendations on modalities to recognize the adaptation efforts of developing countries

1. To organize a high-level event during the global stocktake, which would consider a comprehensive compilation and synthesis report on adaptation efforts of developing country Parties. Such a report would be based on the most recent adaptation communications, national adaptation plans, national communications, nationally determined contributions (NDCs) and any other relevant reports prepared under the transparency framework, the regular events and reports referred to in para 19(b) and (c) below, and would be prepared by the secretariat under the guidance of the AC and the LEG aligned with the 5-year cycle of the global stocktake. An in-session report of the high-level event would inform the global stocktake;
2. To organize regular events throughout each year to showcase adaptation efforts among adaptation practitioners at different national, regional and global events, including NAP Expos, Adaptation Forums, etc.;
3. A regular thematic compilation and synthesis report on the state of adaptation, which could draw on the outcomes of the various events and aim at providing a snapshot of adaptation efforts highlighting lessons learned and good practices for different adaptation themes. A first report could be completed by 2019 and be prepared by the secretariat under the guidance of the AC and the LEG.



5 (d): Taking the necessary steps to facilitate the mobilization of support in developing countries

AC and LEG, in collaboration with SCF and others

- To develop methodologies on taking the necessary steps to **facilitate the mobilization of support for adaptation in developing countries** in the context of the limit to global average temperature increase referred to in Article 2 of the Paris Agreement (decision 1/CP.21, para 45(a))

Considerations:

- ✓ Variety of sources: i.e. International bilateral and multilateral public support, domestic public support, etc.
- ✓ Temperature goals
- ✓ Challenges: budget process vs future adaptation actions tailored to the levels of mitigation
- ✓ Methodologies: Financial, technological and CB > providers and recipients
- ✓ Steps taken by recipients of support
- ✓ Steps taken by providers of support
- ✓ Steps to facilitate the exchange of information with a view to further mobilizing support



5(d): Draft recommendation on taking the necessary steps to facilitate the mobilization of support in developing countries

1. To invite developing countries to further enhance their enabling environments and policy frameworks, including in the context of their engagement in adaptation processes, especially the process to formulate and implement NAPs; to employ the different measures to mobilize support for adaptation; and to report on support received in line with the different reporting instruments;
2. To invite Parties and relevant organizations to assist the LDC Parties and other developing country Parties that are not LDCs, drawing upon the work of the LEG and other bodies as appropriate, in building and/or strengthening enabling environments and policy frameworks to mobilize support for adaptation, in particular capacity - building, as part of the process to formulate and implement NAPs;
3. To urge developed country Parties to continue to scale up support for adaptation with the aim of achieving parity between adaptation and mitigation support and to request them to report on support provided in line with the different reporting instruments and modalities being developed under the Paris Agreement;
4. To invite Parties to explore ways and means by which to address barriers and to further simplify and expedite access to support for adaptation by the developing countries, as appropriate;
5. To invite Parties to increase collaboration with the private sector to mobilise its investment in adaptation;
6. To invite Parties and relevant actors to aim for the most effective use of adaptation finance and to ensure that all steps are taken to avoid maladaptation



5 (e): Methodologies for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support

AC and LEG, in collaboration with SCF and others

- Develop methodologies on **reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support** referred to in Article 7.14(c) of the Paris Agreement (decision 1/CP.21, para 45(b))

Considerations:

- ✓ Be undertaken in the context of the global stocktake (collective progress, comprehensive and facilitative manner)
- ✓ For adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation, possibly consider:
 - ✓ Has ability and capacity to adapt increased?
 - ✓ Has climate resilience been fostered/ vulnerability decreased?
- ✓ For adequacy and effectiveness of support, possibly consider:
 - ✓ Has support been provided and received in line with Art. 9,10,11?
 - ✓ Has support been adequate and effective in strengthening resilience?



5(e): Draft recommendation on methodologies for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support

1. When reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support, to consider the elements listed in paras 52 and 56, contained in document AC-LEG/2017/3;
2. To request the AC and the LEG to jointly develop (guidance on the use of) metrics, indicators and scorecards, as appropriate, building on the work of the SBI assessment of progress on the process to formulate and implement NAPs, for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support, that could be applied at:
 - i. The national level for Parties to determine baseline/reference levels of risks and vulnerability as well as adaptation targets/goals;
 - ii. The global level for Parties to assess collective progress;
3. To invite Parties to include in the various reporting vehicles, taking into account the (guidance)(metrics) referred to in paragraph 2 (i) above, information on:
 - i. Adaptation efforts, including related inputs, processes and systems, outputs, outcomes or demonstrable results, impacts or long - term societal, economic, or environmental consequences;
 - ii. Support provided and received;
 - iii. To the extent possible, national assessments of the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation efforts and support provided and/or received;
4. To (establish a technical team of experts) (request the AC and the LEG) to undertake a periodic preliminary review, taking into account the (guidance) (metrics) referred to in paragraph 2 (ii) above, and to prepare a report thereon;
5. To organize periodic meetings of experts aligned with the 5 - year cycle of the global stocktake to consider the report of the preliminary review, with a view to informing the global stocktake



III: Possible Next Steps

- ❖ AC may wish to:
 - Consider the draft recommendations and revise as needed
 - Share the recommendations with the LEG for its consideration and approval
 - Forward the finalized recommendations to the CMA for consideration and adoption.

