

APA item 6 (GST) Round Table (5 Nov. 2017) – Group YELLOW breakout group report

Possible building blocks ¹	Details
I. Modalities	
[Guiding features to be operationalized in the modalities]	
[Process/overall duration (start and end times)/phases/activities]	
Information gathering and compilation/preparatory phase	
[Timing and duration]	<p>Timing: Basis should be the existing cycles and workprogrammes of the bodies expected to deliver inputs. Of course, it may need some modification but that is very much the basis. Complemented information from Parties should come early and provided in 2022.</p> <p>Governance and Guidance: Difficult to address this topic as the group felt it depends on what it aims for at the subsequent phases.</p> <p>Compilation and synthesis of inputs: different options – one option is that we need synchronization and standardized format to process inputs and make them fit for the technical phase in terms of format. Another opinion is that it is up to those bodies responsible for producing inputs to define the format of the input.</p> <p>Most inputs don't need a synthesis but those that do can be the task of the secretariat.</p> <p>List of inputs: The general feeling is that the basis is foreseen in para 99 and other parts of the PA but in case we need to complement it has to be a dynamic list.</p> <p>If complementing becomes necessary, we could charge a contact group to look into this – <i>discussed here though relevant to sources of input building blocks.</i></p>
[Governance and call for inputs]	
[Guidance on preparing inputs]	
[Compilation and synthesis of inputs]	
[Identification of gaps and call for additional inputs]	
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Technical consideration of inputs, take stock, assess collective progress and prepare reports and key messages/technical phase	
[Timing and duration]	<p>Duration: Different opinions but well understood that technical phase is different from phase that prepares the inputs. One opinion is that the technical phase should not be more than one year and in practice should use May/June session of the year of the GST. More than a year with also organizing sessions/events of the technical phase in 2022.</p> <p>Possible cut-off date: assess inputs in 2022 and at that moment/beginning of 2023 decide what is needed as inputs;</p> <p>Governance/Structure: SBs should serve as the governance body - no need for further specification. Other view is that thematic work, technical dialogues to go more in-depth to processing the inputs.</p> <p>Facilitation: first remark shared by all is that it depends on what you aim for: just presenting inputs and looking jointly into them does not need facilitation. If there is the expectation of something new will be produced on the basis of the inputs, then</p>
[Governance]	
[Structure]	
[Validation of inputs]	
[Consideration/assessment of inputs]	
[Facilitation]	
[Preparation of reports and key messages]	
[Governance (themes/workstreams)]	
[Terms of reference for themes/workstreams]	
[Reports by themes/of workstreams]	
[Inclusive participation of Parties and non-Party stakeholders]	

¹ Derived from submissions and discussions to date under this agenda item

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[Place holder for operationalization of the advice from SBSTA on how the assessments of IPCC could inform the GST]	facilitation may have to be considered. Remains to be seen but under the assumption that we would produce something addition to the inputs – CFs/CCs in consultation with Parties could be tasked to do so.
[Placeholder for the modalities developed by AC and LEG]	Outcome of technical phase: should be neutral, without recommendations as such. Other opinion is that it should give some clarification in terms of technical advice to technical phase.
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...	<p>Workstreams/themes: no need to repeat what was presented in the morning on this – confirmed that those options are there and enough.</p> <p>Some Parties questioned whether guidance is needed within workstreams: no clear affirmation within the group – so maybe not or maybe needed. If needed, we need to look into the PA to see what is mentioned as substantial elements.</p> <p>Involvement of Parties Non-Party Stakeholders: differentiate this issues - submissions, also need IPCC, but also WIM and regional organizations. NPS can provide inputs but decision making should be limited to Parties.</p>
Consideration of reports and key messages/closure of the GST/political phase	
[Timing and duration]	<p>Timing and duration: during the COP in 2023. Argument from some that the COP has an existing method of high-level segment participation should be the case for the political phase in the GST. Asked what the added value of the political phase is – build momentum. Others had doubts if it will add value to the technical material already processed during the technical phase.</p> <p>Format of the outcome: Decision/declaration; decided by Presidency – Talanoa dialogue approach.</p> <p>After the GST1 look into issue of equity framework once again as a tool to help Parties in self application for developing NDCs. Others cautioned against altering the nationally determined nature of contributions should not be altered after the GST.</p>
[Governance]	
[Structure]	
[Presentation and consideration of the key messages]	
[Preparation of decision/declaration/remarks by COP President]	
[Content and format of output(s)]	
[Post GST / during the ambition cycle events]	
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Relevant to all activities/phases / adjustment of modalities	
[Support for effective participation of developing countries]	
[Assistance for preparation and consideration of reports/key messages/ decision/declaration/remarks by CMA Presidency]	
[Overall flexibility of the modalities]	
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II. Sources of input	
[recall, reconfirm...]	
[Based on best available science, NDCs and includes opportunities]	
[Information needs]	
[The non-exhaustive list of sources of inputs]	
[Mechanism/modalities for complementing the non-exhaustive list of sources of input / Management of sources of inputs]	
[Approach and principles for identifying additional sources of inputs]	
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