

# AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON LONG-TERM COOPERATIVE ACTION UNDER THE CONVENTION

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## *Oral report to the Contact Group*

### **Enhanced action on adaptation (agenda item 3(c))**

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#### *Issues discussed*

- A number of issues were identified during the discussion under adaptation, there were divergent views about the issues raised and how they are to be addressed:
  - Adaptation finance (finance for 2013-2020; adequacy, predictability; transparency, accountability);
  - Interlinkages between adaptation and all means of implementation (finance, technology and capacity-building);
  - Potential need for additional institutional arrangements;
  - Work programme on economic diversification;
  - NAP process for non-Least Developed Countries;
  - Regional centres;
  - Risk assessment; risk reduction; vulnerability assessments;
  - Monitoring and evaluation of adaptation;
  - Catalytic role of the Convention.
  
- In focused discussions, Parties were requested to start by focusing their interventions on three points, namely, the need for additional institutional arrangements, support for the national adaptation plan process for non-LDCs and the engagement of regional centres.
- In addition to recognizing the general achievements of the LCA in addressing adaptation so far, Parties reflected on the three elements and on the extent to which these and other elements of adaptation under the LCA are already sufficiently addressed by other relevant bodies:
  - Some Parties were of the view that all adaptation aspects of the Bali Action Plan are being addressed by bodies and/or programmes as per the Cancun and Durban outcomes (e.g. Adaptation Committee, work programme on loss and damage, national adaptation plan process, etc.) and that additional work by the LCA in this respect was not needed. Some Parties particularly highlighted additional institutional arrangements and the engagement of regional centres as being sufficiently addressed by these bodies and programmes, and that future efforts should focus on this work, ensuring a coherent approach to adaptation under the Convention.
  - Other Parties were of the opinion that several elements of adaptation under the Bali Action Plan were not yet being addressed sufficiently and needed additional consideration by the LCA taking full account of the relevant Convention articles (such elements included the national adaptation plan process for non-LDCs, economic diversification, clear role of regional centers, implementation of adaptation and support for adaptation, including through finance, technology and capacity building).
  - Some Parties raised the concern that dispersing the work on adaptation to too many different bodies and programmes without a holistic frame under the LCA would undermine the work on adaptation in general and lose the balance between mitigation and adaptation established under the Bali Action Plan.