

Oral report to the Contact Group

Nationally appropriate mitigation actions by developing country Parties (agenda item 3(b)(ii))

Contact group meeting, 24 May 2012

Process related issues

- The group discussed the tasks mandated by decision 2/CP.17. There are divergent views on how to take the work forward.
- Three options were being considered:
 - The organization of a workshop to further the understanding of the diversity of nationally appropriate mitigation actions (NAMAs). This workshop should be structured around the elements identified in decision 17/CP.2, paragraph 34, including assumptions and methodologies, sectors and greenhouse gases, support needs and others. Some Parties suggested a focus on support needs. The establishment of individual panels on the different elements was suggested;
 - The secretariat to prepare a synthesis report or compilation paper gathering the information provided by developing country Parties on their NAMAs through submissions or workshops. This paper could be structured around the elements already mentioned and should be used to provide input to the discussions at the workshop;
 - Any future workshop should not focus on the understanding the diversity of NAMAs or the elements of decision 17/CP.2, paragraph 34, but on other issues.

The group agreed to have a focused workshop on specific NAMAs structured in accordance with decision 2/CP.17 that pays particular attention to support needs, but is not limited to it.

Other issues

- A number of issues and proposals that may go beyond the strict understanding the diversity of NAMAs were mentioned. There are divergent views on whether they should be addressed or not. These issues and proposals include:
 - Considering the diversity of NAMAs under the subsidiary bodies, to take place after the AWG-LCA finishes its work;
 - Developing guidelines for measurement, reporting and verification of support;
 - Work on the understanding of means of implementation;
 - A process to assess the needs for support for the preparation and implementation of NAMAs, including technical, policy and institutional aspects, and on how to address these needs;
 - A process to support the preparation and implementation of NAMAs, including a possible mandate to the Consultative Group of Experts ;
 - Identification of capacity constrains to prepare and formulate NAMAs;

- Definition of NAMAs;
- Considering the matching of financial, technical and capacity-building support and NAMAs, including the role of the registry;
- Discussing improvements to the registry based on a pilot phase;
- Considering lessons learned on fast start finance to understand how to support mitigation actions.

A Party submitted the following issues by e-mail, requesting their inclusion in this oral report:

- Discussing the nature of mitigation pledges of Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention;
 - Developing a common template for pledges from non-Annex I Parties listed in FCCC/AWGLCA/2011/INF.1;
 - Developing a common accounting rules for all Parties;
 - Revision of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention and differentiation among non-Annex I Parties.
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