

Proposal to establish a Work Program on Economic Diversification
Under the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice

Proposal to undertake a work program on Economic Diversification under the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice in 2013 for two years, with the objective of improving progress on Economic Diversification in the following areas:

- a) Sharing experience and opportunities on the development of measures, methodologies and tools aimed at increasing economic resilience;
- b) Exchange experience in economic diversification and lessons learned, with a view to identifying what technical assistance may be needed to develop structural and institutional capacity, and/or to establish a mechanism for facilitating efforts to achieve economic diversification;
- c) Coordination by the Secretariat with the relevant international organization and the private sector in developed countries on matters relating to economic diversification;
- d) Building capacity, at the national level, in the areas of economic diversification;
- e) Promoting private-public partnership in various areas to support economic diversification;
- f) Providing recommendations for encouraging direct investment and technology transfer from developed countries to assist in the economic diversification of developing countries;
- g) Addressing the extent to which trade and export barriers affect economic diversification in developing countries.

The SBSTA will adopt the modalities for the operationalization of the work program on Economic Diversification, which will include convening workshops and meetings; receiving input from experts and relevant organizations, and preparing reports and technical papers.

The SBSTA will review at their next sessions the progress of the work program with a view to providing recommendations to the Conference of Parties at its 20th session.