

Long-term climate finance in the period 2014-2020

In-session workshop 2015 *Draft Informal discussion note by the secretariat¹*

I. Background and objective

The Conference of the Parties (COP) decided to focus the in-session workshops on Long Term Finance (LTF), in 2015 and 2016, on the issues of²:

- (i) Adaptation finance;
- (ii) Cooperation on enhanced enabling environments and support for readiness activities; and,
- (iii) Needs for support to developing country Parties.

The extended programme on LTF includes three complementary activities for the period 2014-2020.³ These include:

- **Biennial submissions** by developed country Parties on their updated strategies and approaches for scaling up climate finance from 2014 to 2020, including any available information on quantitative and qualitative elements of a pathway;
- **In-session workshops** on, inter alia, strategies and approaches for scaling up climate finance, cooperation on enhanced enabling environments and support for readiness activities, and on needs for support to developing countries; and
- **Biennial high-level ministerial dialogue on climate finance** starting in 2014 and ending in 2020 and informed, inter alia, by the workshops and the submissions referred to above. A summary of the deliberations of the dialogue will be issued by the Presidency of the Conference of the Parties.

This webinar will provide the opportunity for Parties and observers to provide their views on the scope and thematic focus of the in-session workshop in 2015. It will be facilitated by Mr. Dany Drouin from Canada and Mr. Zaheer Fakir from South Africa, and will consist of two sessions to accommodate different time zones.

II. Logistical and organizational information on the webinar

The webinar will take place on the following dates and schedules:

Wednesday 29 April from 09:00 to 10:00 (Bonn time)
Wednesday 29 April from 15:00 to 16:00 (Bonn time)

¹ The purpose of this informal discussion note is solely to facilitate webinar discussions on the design of the in-session workshop in 2015.

² Decision 5/CP.20.

³ Decision 3/CP.19.

The webinar is open to Parties and observers. Those interested in participating may register by filling out the form here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LV9FKLT>

The link to the webinar will be sent to you 20 minutes before each run⁴.

Participants will be able to engage in the discussion when the facilitators, with the support of the secretariat, open the virtual floor for interventions. Further logistical instructions are available on the secretariat's web site here: <http://unfccc.int/6814.php>.

III. 2015 In-session workshop on LTF

1. Determining the focus and themes for 2015

The in-session workshop(s) could be structured around the following thematic areas⁵, mirroring decision 5/CP.20:

Thematic area 1: Adaptation finance

A holistic approach is recommended for a comprehensive consideration of key issues that will enable Parties and other participants achieve an appropriate understanding and discussion of all relevant aspects of adaptation finance. The discussion may therefore include the following dimensions within adaptation finance delivered to developing country Parties:

1. Policy, legal frameworks and country strategies and priorities;
2. Sources of funding, including public and private sources and investments;
3. Institutions and delivery channels;
4. Implementation of projects and programmes, financial instruments (traditional and innovative), country ownership and stakeholder engagement.

Thematic area 2: Cooperation on enhanced enabling environments and support for readiness activities, which could be further structured around the following themes, including perspectives from the dimensions listed under thematic area 1 above:

- Actors, roles and challenges in fostering enhanced enabling environments and support for readiness activities;
- Emerging insights from experiences of readiness activities across climate finance activities, channels and mechanisms;
- Opportunities for enhanced cooperation on enhanced enabling environments;

⁴ The user's manual can be found here:

http://unfccc.int/files/cooperation_support/financial_mechanism/long-term_finance/application/pdf/user_manual_for_webex_12april.pdf.

⁵ Please note that the topics under each themes are not exhaustive and should be seen as a starting point for the Webinar discussions

Thematic area 3: Needs for support to developing countries

- Challenges and opportunities observed under various approaches and methodologies used to measure adaptation and mitigation needs of developing country Parties;
- Opportunities to enhance understanding of the needs of developing countries for financing mitigation and adaptation action across sectors and within existing national policy objectives;

2. Modalities for the in-session workshop

As indicated in decision 5/CP.20, the secretariat is to organize the in-session workshops. In 2015 the workshop will be organized during the sessions of the Subsidiary Bodies.

Format: the in-session workshop may combine a few focused expert presentations structured around the thematic areas with sufficient time for substantive and interactive discussions on the thematic areas mentioned above.

Duration: the in-session workshop is tentatively planned as a two-part event, each part consisting of a 3-hour session. The tentative dates for the two sessions are:

4 June 2015 from 10:00 to 13:00

5 June 2015 from 10:00 to 13:00

3. Expected deliverables following the in-session workshop

According to decision 5/CP.20, the secretariat will prepare a summary report of the in-session workshop for consideration by the COP.