

Submission by Chile

Views on the composition of the team of technical experts to conduct International Consultation and Analysis

1. Chile welcomes the decision taken in Durban by the Conference of the Parties to adopt guidelines and modalities for International Consultation and Analysis (ICA). Chile welcomes this process, which will be conducted in a manner that is non-intrusive, non-punitive and respectful of national sovereignty, and that it will aim to increase transparency of mitigation actions and their effects, through analysis by technical experts in consultation with the Party concerned and through a facilitative sharing of views, as stipulated in Annex IV of 2/CP.17.
2. In paragraphs 3 through 6, Chile hereby submit its views on the composition of the team of technical experts referred to in paragraph 1 of Annex IV of the decision 2/CP.17.
3. Chile believes that to expedite the technical analysis of the biennial update reports submitted by Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (BURs) and the preparation of the corresponding summary report, it would be beneficial for the team of technical experts to be composed of experts selected from the existing UNFCCC Roster of Experts, which currently includes experts who have been nominated by their Party's National Focal Point in the areas of greenhouse gas inventory issues, in-depth reviews of national communications from Annex I Parties and technology transfer.
4. The Roster of Experts would need to include a new area designated as Biennial Update Reports submitted by Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (BURs). This new area of expertise on BURs would be in addition to the current areas of expertise. Chile would expect that experts nominated in the area of BURs to overlap significantly with the areas of greenhouse gas inventory issues and the in-depth reviews of national communications from Annex I Parties and technology transfer. The procedure for inclusion to the UNFCCC Roster of Experts and criteria for inclusion should remain as currently laid out in the existing "Guidance to Parties on Updating the UNFCCC Roster of Experts."
5. Experts nominated for technical analysis of the BURs should have relevant experience with the information to be considered in the BUR, as laid out in decision 2/CP.16, including participation in the preparation of national greenhouse gas inventories, experience generating information on mitigation actions, experience with the analysis of the impacts of mitigation actions and the associated methodologies and assumptions, and experience with domestic measurement, reporting and verification and support received.
6. The team of technical experts should be coordinated by a representative of the UNFCCC secretariat. The secretariat should be responsible for coordinating and facilitating the technical analysis of the BURs, including the selection of the members of the technical analysis teams from among the names included in the UNFCCC Roster of Experts, ensuring a balance of skills and expertise, of environmental and developmental perspectives and the necessary geographical balance among team members. It should also ensure that technical experts do not participate in the analysis of the BURs from their own country.

Chile looks forward to adopting a decision on this matter, as well as on the composition and modalities of the team of technical experts at the eighteenth session of the Conference of the Parties.