

ADDITIONAL INPUTS FROM BRAZIL ON THE WORK OF THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON THE DURBAN PLATFORM FOR ENHANCED ACTION

1. The Government of Brazil, in response to the invitation from the Co-chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action (ADP), welcomes the opportunity to submit additional inputs regarding the work of the ADP.
2. Brazil commends the adoption of the agenda of the ADP, during its first session, in Bonn, in May 2012. This was an important step to enhance confidence among Parties. Brazil looks forward to further contributing to a successful outcome of the Durban Platform, in a similarly constructive manner.
3. Having adopted the agenda of the ADP, Parties should proceed with exploratory work to identify topics with greater potential for convergence and concentrate discussions on selected issues.
4. Brazil believes that the central outcome of the Durban Platform should be the development of a protocol, another legal instrument or an agreed outcome with legal force under the Convention applicable to all Parties for it to come into effect and be implemented from 2020, in accordance with decision 1/CP.17. Other elements under the agenda of the ADP should be considered in a manner as not to undermine the conditions for convergence on that matter, with a view to ensuring the adoption of the outcome by the twenty-first session of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, as decided in Durban.
5. In planning the work of the ADP, Parties will need to carefully consider issues arising from the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention (AWG-LCA) and the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (AWG-KP) that may have to be further addressed after both Ad Hoc Working Group are terminated in Doha. While decisions reached under the AWG-LCA and the AWG-KP should not be revisited by the ADP, unsolved issues under their mandates might need to be forwarded to the Durban Platform or to the permanent subsidiary bodies, the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) and the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA).
6. It is also important to acknowledge that future negotiations on the legal form of the Durban Platform's agreed outcome could have implications on the legal form of issues already concluded in other subsidiary bodies. These implications would need to be addressed by the ADP, before it presents its final results to the Conference of the Parties.
7. The Government of Brazil stresses that the work of the ADP shall be in full accordance with all the principles and provisions of the Convention, in particular the principles of equity and common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities. These principles must be reflected in all aspects of the agenda of the ADP and of the Durban Platform's final outcome.