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## Taking the Paris Agreement forward

Reflections note by the President of the twenty-first session of the Conference of the Parties and the incoming President of the twenty-second session of the Conference of the Parties

#### I. Introduction

- 1. At the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris, the Conference of the Parties (COP) reached an ambitious agreement, a binding agreement, a universal agreement. The Paris Agreement is a balanced compromise among all Parties: all made concessions; all received reassurances. That compromise is reflected in the Paris Agreement as well as in the accompanying decision 1/CP.21. Our challenge is now to operationalize the Paris Agreement: to turn intended nationally determined contributions into public policies and investment plans for mitigation and adaptation and to deliver on our promises.
- 2. In so doing, it will be vital to maintain the spirit of Paris, to build on the momentum that was created, to respect the balance that was found and to continue working together so as to strengthen action, support and ambition, moving from a focus on negotiation to a focus on implementation and cooperation.
- 3. Furthermore, it is important to place the work ahead in the context of and in the service of actions at different levels:
- (a) Ensuring the entry into force of the Paris Agreement;
- (b) Supporting domestic action to give effect to nationally determined contributions;
- (c) Pursuing collaborative initiatives as part of an intensified action agenda;
- (d) Strengthening action on mitigation and adaptation by all Parties before 2020;
- (e) Mobilizing finance, technology and capacity-building support before and after 2020;
- (f) Preparing for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA), and in particular elaborating the detailed arrangements for the implementation of the Paris Agreement, taking forward the work programme set out in decision 1/CP.21 (work programme).
- 4. Through this note, the President of COP 21 and the incoming President of COP 22 would like to share with Parties our views on how we intend to continue working together to promote the successful implementation of the Paris Agreement over the coming years, as well as our views on the preparations for the upcoming negotiating sessions in May.



### II. Ensuring a balanced and coherent approach at the May sessions

- 5. The upcoming United Nations Climate Change Conference in Bonn in May 2016 represents the first opportunity for all Parties to meet after the Paris Agreement was adopted on 12 December 2015 and opened for signature in New York on 22 April 2016. Building on what was achieved at the Paris Conference, the focus of our work must now be on the operationalization of the Paris Agreement as soon as possible. To this end, the work programme must be taken forward in a comprehensive, coherent and balanced manner. It already provides for all issues to be addressed. This is shown in the table published by the secretariat that presents an overview of the tasks included in the work programme, indicating the respective bodies/actors and the timelines for delivery, as mandated by decision 1/CP.21. For ease of reference, that table is contained in annex II. No issue is more important than another; no issue will take priority over another; no issue will be left behind.
- 6. At the Paris Conference, the COP requested different bodies to take forward different parts of the work programme. The COP decided to oversee the implementation of the work programme and requested the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement (APA) to prepare for the entry into force of the Agreement and for the convening of the first session of the CMA.
- 7. This cross-body complementarity in taking the work programme forward requires all bodies to operate effectively and in line with the mandates that they have been given and to coordinate among themselves. It is our commitment as presidents to work in close collaboration with Parties, the Chairs of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), the Co-Chairs of the APA, the leadership of constituted bodies, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism and the secretariat in order to ensure that work is undertaken in a balanced manner across bodies and across issues.
- 8. In this regard, we invite Parties to swiftly nominate the members of the Bureau of the APA and to undertake any other outstanding nominations from COP 21 and the eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol.<sup>2</sup> In the context of our presidential responsibilities, we look forward to meeting with all presiding officers as soon as possible and regularly thereafter. We are committed to ensuring an ongoing dialogue among presiding officers and transparency across bodies and towards the wider community.
- 9. Building on existing mandates and previous agendas, the provisional agendas of the SBI, the SBSTA and the APA for the upcoming May sessions incorporate all the new tasks arising from decision 1/CP.21, thus reflecting the comprehensive and balanced approach required.<sup>3</sup> The diagram contained in annex I illustrates the allocation of new agenda items on the provisional agendas for the upcoming May sessions. No issue has been left behind. Work at the sessions under the different bodies will, to the extent possible, be organized so as to schedule work on related issues back-to-back in order to facilitate the work of delegates, especially from small delegations, and to promote coherence. We are aware that the relevant chairs will also make efforts to ensure that new work takes into account ongoing work on related issues and we note with appreciation that the draft SBI and SBSTA agendas already group issues identified in decision 1/CP.21 with related agenda items arising from previous mandates. All this will help to ensure that work is organized rationally (the notion of 'clustering') between related items within and across bodies.
- 10. The provisional APA agenda provides for the four main areas of work mandated to the body by decision 1/CP.21, namely work on nationally determined contributions, transparency, the global stocktake and arrangements for facilitation and compliance. The annotated APA agenda and the table referred to in paragraph 5 above identify the detailed work strands that will need to be taken forward. Parties may wish to consider how best to structure the APA agenda for future sessions, but we consider that this high-level approach is appropriate for the first session and hope that work can begin without lengthy discussion before the adoption of the agenda. We encourage the APA Co-Chairs to consult on the organization of work for future sessions during the May session.
- 11. Tasks arising from decision 1/CP.21 also require the engagement of constituted bodies under the Convention, namely the Adaptation Committee, the Climate Technology Centre and Network, the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts, the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, the Paris Committee on Capacity-building, the Standing Committee on Finance, the Technology Executive Committee, the Green Climate Fund and the Global Environment Facility.

Available at <<a href="http://unfccc.int/files/bodies/cop/application/pdf/overview\_1cp21\_tasks\_.pdf">http://unfccc.int/files/bodies/cop/application/pdf/overview\_1cp21\_tasks\_.pdf</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See <a href="http://unfccc.int/files/bodies/election">http://unfccc.int/files/bodies/election</a> and membership/application/pdf/notification to parties.pdf>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The agendas are available at <<u>http://unfccc.int/meetings/bonn\_may\_2016/meeting/9413.php>.</u>

- 12. In order to enable an overview of the implementation of the work programme by all bodies, including the constituted bodies under the Convention, we intend to convene two special stocktaking events during the May sessions, where the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies, the Co-Chairs of the APA and the chairs of relevant constituted bodies, as well as the Green Climate Fund and the Global Environment Facility, can present how they are implementing the tasks assigned to them by decision 1/CP.21. One such event will be held by the end of the first week of the sessions and a second one before the end of the sessions.
- 13. The COP Presidencies, with the help of the secretariat, will develop a tool, building on the table referred to in paragraph 5 above, to track progress made in relation to all agenda items. We intend to use the UNFCCC website to provide Parties with information on progress made as well as information on efforts to promote coordination among bodies. It is our expectation that, with our commitment to working 'as one' with all bodies and the secretariat, all aspects necessary for the operationalization of the Paris Agreement can be ready in good time for its full application after its entry into force.
- 14. As is customary, the incoming Presidency of COP 22 intends to convene an open-ended informal consultation on the preparations for COP 22 and to hear from Parties on their expectations in this regard.
- 15. The May sessions will be complemented by numerous additional events and workshops that are part of the common effort in taking the outcomes of the Paris Conference forward.<sup>4</sup>
- 16. In addition to taking forward the elements of the work programme to prepare for the implementation of the Paris Agreement, work will move forward on other issues. Decision 1/CP.21 provides already for important work to be undertaken on enhanced action before 2020 through the technical examination processes for mitigation and adaptation, the leadership of the high-level champions, the annual high-level event during the COP, the follow-up to the Action Agenda launched in Lima and Paris and the encouragement of action by non-state actors. Making progress in relation to means of implementation, finance, technology and capacity-building will also be critical and these issues will be in the spotlight at the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Marrakech, Morocco, including as part of a facilitative dialogue. Meeting existing commitments and pledges for the period before 2020 remains essential.
- 17. Finally, we intend to continue active engagement with observers. For this purpose, a special event with observer organizations will be held during the May sessions.

## III. Ensuring the full and timely implementation of decision 1/CP.21

- 18. As defined in the Paris Agreement, the date of both its entry into force and the first session of the CMA depend on progress on ratification; that is, when the criterion of the Agreement of having been ratified by 55 Parties representing 55 per cent of total global emissions has been met.<sup>5</sup> It is important to ensure that the work programme is taken forward effectively at the pace required to enable the fulfilment of the entire mandate, meeting the timelines set out for certain elements and in particular enabling the full implementation of the Paris Agreement.
- 19. Should the Paris Agreement enter into force before the work programme has been fully completed, there will be a need to consider the appropriate steps to ensure that the work programme can be completed and how Parties can contribute fully to its development and agreement. We consider that no Party should be disadvantaged or excluded from the collective development of the rulebook of the Paris Agreement simply because it is still in the process of joining the Agreement. It should also be clear that the early entry into force of the Paris Agreement would not alter the commitments of Parties provided for in the Agreement or in decision 1/CP.21, nor would it alter the existing commitments and pledges of Parties under the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol for the period up to 2020. The COP 22 and COP 21 Presidencies will consult with Parties during the May sessions on whether and how further clarification might be provided on this issue at the Marrakech Conference.
- 20. In order to keep everyone informed, we propose to use the table referred to in paragraph 5 above to provide a continuous overview of the progress made by all bodies working towards the implementation of the Paris Agreement.

<a href="http://unfccc.int/files/meetings/bonn may 2016/application/pdf/updated overview schedule with unfccc and special events.pdf">wents.pdf</a>>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> An information note on the entry into force of the Paris Agreement is available at <a href="http://unfccc.int/files/paris\_agreement/application/pdf/entry\_into\_force\_of\_pa.pdf">http://unfccc.int/files/paris\_agreement/application/pdf/entry\_into\_force\_of\_pa.pdf</a>>.

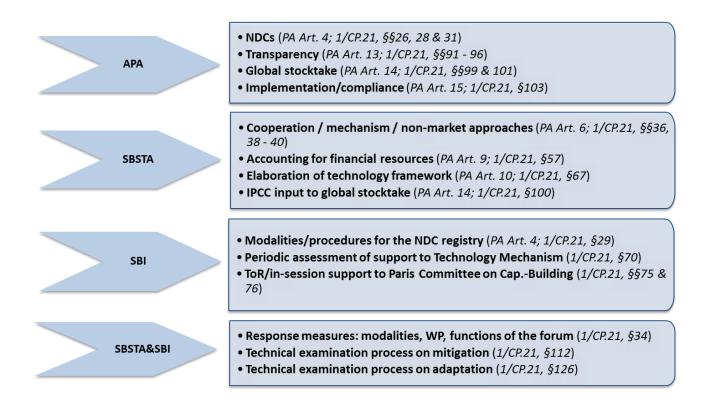
## IV. Next steps

- 21. The successful opening of the Paris Agreement for signature in New York on 22 April saw 175 Parties sign the Agreement, of which 15 deposited their instruments of ratification. To date, 2 additional Parties have signed the Agreement and 1 additional Party has deposited its instrument of ratification. We encourage all Parties that have not yet done so to sign the Agreement and urge all Parties to advance their domestic arrangements so as to be able to ratify the Agreement and enable its rapid entry into force.
- 22. We also encourage all Parties to the Kyoto Protocol to complete their ratification of the Doha Amendment so as to enable its entry into force this year.
- 23. The President of COP 21 will be present at the opening meeting of the May sessions of the subsidiary bodies, scheduled for 10–11 a.m. on 16 May 2016. In this regard, groups are invited to come prepared to share their general statements during the opening meeting. Statements should be limited to three minutes in length.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See <a href="http://unfccc.int/paris\_agreement/items/9444.php">http://unfccc.int/paris\_agreement/items/9444.php</a>.

### Annex I

The diagram below illustrates the allocation of new agenda items in the provisional agendas of the SBI, the SBSTA and the APA at the May session.





#### **Annex II**

March 2016

# **Taking the Paris Agreement forward:**

# Tasks arising from decision 1/CP.21

The Conference of the Parties (COP), by its decision 1/CP.21 ('Adoption of the Paris Agreement'), decided on activities and tasks to be undertaken by various bodies, which are indicated in the third column of the table below (see also the list of abbreviations at the end).

In addition to the specific tasks listed below, the COP requested the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement (APA) to: prepare for the entry into force of the Agreement and for the convening of the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA); prepare draft decisions to be recommended through the COP to the CMA for consideration and adoption at its first session (CMA1); hold its sessions starting in 2016 in conjunction with the sessions of the Convention subsidiary bodies; report regularly to the COP on the progress of its work; and to complete its work by CMA1.

The COP further decided to oversee the implementation of the work programme resulting from the relevant requests contained in decision 1/CP.21.9

The secretariat has prepared the table below which presents an overview of the tasks in tabular format indicating the respective bodies/actors and the timelines as indicated in decision 1/CP.21.<sup>10</sup>

<u>Note</u>: Paragraphs numbers are those of decision 1/CP.21 as published in FCCC/CP/2015/10/Add.1. A list of the abbreviations used in the table is included at the end.

Para	Activity	Body/actor	Timeline
	II. INTENDED NATIONALLY DETERMINED CONTRIBUTIONS		
20	Convene a facilitative dialogue among Parties in 2018 to take stock of the collective efforts of Parties in relation to progress towards the long-term goal referred to in Article 4.1 of the Agreement and to inform the preparation of NDCs pursuant to Article 4.8 of the Agreement	СОР	2018
	III. DECISIONS TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE AGREEMENT		
	Mitigation		
26	Develop further guidance on features of the NDCs for consideration and adoption by CMA1	APA	CMA1 <sup>11</sup>
28	Develop further guidance for the information to be provided by Parties in order to facilitate clarity, transparency and understanding of NDCs for consideration and adoption by CMA1	APA	CMA1
29	Develop modalities and procedures for the operation and use of the public registry referred to in Article 4.12 of the Agreement for consideration and adoption by CMA1	SBI	CMA1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> FCCC/CP/2015/10/Add.1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Decision 1/CP.21, paras. 8–11. CMA1 shall be convened by the secretariat in conjunction with the first session of the COP that is scheduled after the date of entry into force of the Paris Agreement. See Article 16 of the Paris Agreement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Decision 1/CP.21, para. 9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> In addition, decision 1/CP.21 also contains two invitations for submissions:

<sup>-</sup> By Parties of their views on the membership of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building by 9 March 2016 (para. 77);

<sup>-</sup> By Parties and observer organizations of information on the opportunities referred to in paragraph 125 (i.e. concrete opportunities for strengthening resilience, reducing vulnerabilities and increasing the understanding and implementation of adaptation actions) by 3 February 2016 (para. 132).

<sup>11</sup> Note: According to Article 4.10 of the Paris Agreement, CMA1 shall consider common time frames for NDCs.

Para	Activity	Body/actor	Timeline
31	Elaborate, drawing from approaches established under the Convention and its related legal instruments as appropriate, guidance for accounting for Parties' NDCs, as referred to in Article 4.13 of the Agreement for consideration and adoption by CMA1; (see para 31 (a–d) for further details)	APA	CMA1
34	Recommend, for consideration and adoption by CMA1, the modalities, work programme and functions of the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures to address the effects of the implementation of response measures under the Agreement by enhancing cooperation amongst Parties on understanding the impacts of mitigation actions under the Agreement and the exchange of information, experiences, and best practices amongst Parties to raise their resilience to these impacts;	SBSTA and SBI	CMAI
36	Develop and recommend the guidance referred to under Article 6.2 of the Agreement for consideration and adoption by CMA1, including guidance to ensure that double counting is avoided on the basis of a corresponding adjustment by Parties for both anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks covered by their NDCs under the Agreement	SBSTA	CMA1
38	Develop and recommend rules, modalities and procedures for the mechanism referred to in paragraph 37 (mechanism established by Article 6.4 of the Agreement) for consideration and adoption by CMA1 ( <i>see para 37 (a–f) for further details</i> )	SBSTA	CMA1
39	Undertake a work programme under the framework for non-market approaches to sustainable development referred to in Article 6.8 of the Agreement, with the objective of considering how to enhance linkages and create synergy between, inter alia, mitigation, adaptation, finance, technology transfer and capacity-building, and how to facilitate the implementation and coordination of non-market approaches;	SBSTA	CMA1
40	Recommend a draft decision on the work programme referred to above, taking into account the views of Parties, for consideration and adoption by CMA1		
	Adaptation		
41	Jointly develop modalities to recognize the adaptation efforts of developing country Parties, as referred to in Article 7.3 of the Agreement, and make recommendations for consideration and adoption by CMA1	AC and LEG	CMA1
	Taking into account its mandate and its second three-year workplan, and with a view to preparing recommendations for consideration and adoption by CMA1:		
42	(a) Review, in 2017, the work of adaptation-related institutional arrangements under the Convention, with a view to identifying ways to enhance the coherence of their work, as appropriate, in order to respond adequately to the needs of Parties;	AC	AC: Review in 2017
	(b) Consider methodologies for assessing adaptation needs with a view to assisting developing country Parties, without placing an undue burden on them		For: CMA 1
	Develop methodologies, and make recommendations for consideration and adoption by CMA1 on:	AC and LEG,	
45	(a) Taking the necessary steps to facilitate the mobilization of support for adaptation in developing countries in the context of the limit to global average temperature increase referred to in Article 2 of the Agreement;	in collabora- tion with SCF and other relevant	CMA1
	(b) Reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support referred to in Article 7.14(c) of the Agreement	institutions	
46	Expedite support for the least developed countries and other developing country Parties for the formulation of national adaptation plans, consistent with decisions 1/CP.16 and 5/CP.17, and for the subsequent implementation of policies, projects and programmes identified by them	GCF	no timeline specified
	Loss and damage		
48	Establish a clearing house for risk transfer that serves as a repository for information on insurance and risk transfer, in order to facilitate the efforts of Parties to develop and implement comprehensive risk management strategies	WIM Excom	See para 50 below
49	Establish, according to its procedures and mandate, a task force to complement, draw upon the work of and involve, as appropriate, existing bodies and expert groups under the Convention including the AC and the LEG, as well as relevant organizations and expert bodies outside the Convention, to develop recommendations for integrated approaches to avert, minimize and address displacement related to the adverse impacts of climate change	WIM Excom	See para 50 below

Para	Activity	Body/actor	Timeline
50	Initiate its work, at its next meeting, to operationalize the provisions referred to in paragraphs 48 and 49 above, and to report on progress thereon in its annual report	WIM Excom	Initiate: 3 <sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Excom <sup>12</sup> Report: in its annual report
	Finance		
55	Initiate, at COP 22, a process to identify the information to be provided by Parties, in accordance with Article 9.5 of the Agreement with a view to providing a recommendation for consideration and adoption by CMA1	СОР	Initiate: COP 22 (2016), For: CMA1
57	Develop modalities for the accounting of financial resources provided and mobilized through public interventions in accordance with Article 9.7 of the Agreement for consideration by COP 24, with a view to making a recommendation for consideration and adoption by CMA1	SBSTA	COP 24 (Nov 2018), CMA1
	Consider the issue referred to in paragraph 59 (i.e. that the Adaptation Fund may serve the Agreement, subject to relevant decisions by the CMP and the CMA) and make a recommendation to CMA1	СМР	CMA1
	Note: This has already partially been addressed by CMP11. Actions need to be taken by COP22 and APA for recommendations to the CMP no later than CMP15.		
59,	Decision 1/CMP.11:		
60	Para. 8: Recommends that the CMA, at its first session, consider that the Adaptation Fund may serve the Paris Agreement, in accordance with paragraphs 60 and 61 of decision 1/CP.21;		COP 22
	Para. 9: Invites the COP, at its twenty-second session, to request the APA to undertake the necessary preparatory work concerning the issue referred to in paragraph 8 above and to forward a recommendation to the CMP for its consideration and adoption no later than at its fifteenth session	COP and APA	(Nov 2016) No later than CMP15 (Nov 2019)
64	Enhance the coordination and delivery of resources to support country-driven strategies through simplified and efficient application and approval procedures, and through continued readiness support to developing country Parties, including the least developed countries and small island developing States, as appropriate	Institutions serving the Agreement	no timeline specified
	Technology development and transfer		
66	In supporting the implementation of the Agreement, to undertake further work relating to, inter alia:	TEC and	no timeline
00	(a) Technology research, development and demonstration;	CTCN	specified
	(b) The development and enhancement of endogenous capacities and technologies		
67	Initiate, at SBSTA 44, the elaboration of the technology framework established under Article 10.4 of the Agreement and to report on its findings to the COP, with a view to the COP making a recommendation on the framework to CMA1 for consideration and adoption (see para 67 (a–d) for further details)	SBSTA	Initiate: SBSTA44 (May 2016), Report: COP, For: CMA1
69	Undertake a periodic assessment of the effectiveness of and the adequacy of the support provided to the Technology Mechanism in supporting the implementation of the Agreement on matters relating to technology development and transfer	СОР	periodic (see para 70)
70	Initiate, at SBI 44, the elaboration of the scope of and modalities for the periodic assessment referred to in paragraph 69 above, taking into account the review of the CTCN as referred to in decision 2/CP.17, annex VII, paragraph 20, and the modalities for the global stocktake referred to in Article 14 of the Agreement, for consideration and adoption by COP 25	SBI	Initiate: SBI 44 (May 2016), For: COP 25 (Nov 2019)
	Capacity-building		
72, 73	Manage and oversee the workplan referred to in paragraph 73 (workplan for 2016-2020: see para 73 (a–i) for activities of the workplan; see also paras 74 and 79)	РССВ	Annually to SBI (see para. 80)
75	Organize annual in-session meetings of the PCCB	SBI	Annually (once PCCB is constituted)

<sup>12</sup> The 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the WIM Excom took place from 2 to 5 February 2016.

Para	Activity	Body/actor	Timeline
76	Develop the terms of reference for the PCCB, in the context of the third comprehensive review of the implementation of the capacity-building framework, also taking into account paragraphs 71–75 above and paragraphs 79 and 80 below, with a view to recommending a draft decision on this matter for consideration and adoption by COP 22	SBI	COP 22 (2016)
80	Prepare annual technical progress reports on its work, and to make these reports available at the sessions of the SBI coinciding with the sessions of the COP	РССВ	Annually at SBI sessions coinciding with COPs
81	Review the progress, need for extension, the effectiveness and enhancement of the PCCB and to take any action it considers appropriate, with a view to making recommendations to CMA1 on enhancing institutional arrangements for capacity-building consistent with Article 11.5 of the Agreement	СОР	COP 25 (2019); CMA1 <sup>13</sup>
83	Explore ways of enhancing the implementation of training, public awareness, public participation and public access to information so as to enhance actions under this Agreement.	CMA	CMA1
	Transparency of action and support		
86	Make arrangements to support the establishment and operation of the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency as a priority reporting-related need, including through voluntary contributions to support developing country Parties in the sixth replenishment of the GEF and future replenishment cycles, to complement existing support under the GEF	GEF	GEF-6 replenishment and future cycles
87	Assess the implementation of the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency in the context of the 7th review of the Financial Mechanism	СОР	In the context of the 7 <sup>th</sup> review of the FM
88	Include in its annual report to the COP the progress of work in the design, development and implementation of the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency starting in 2016	GEF	Annually to COP, starting in 2016
91	Develop recommendations for modalities, procedures and guidelines in accordance with Article 13.13 of the Agreement, and to define the year of their first and subsequent review and update, as appropriate, at regular intervals, for consideration by COP 24, with a view to forwarding them to CMA1 for consideration and adoption	APA	COP 24 (2018); CMA1 <sup>14</sup> (See also
	(See paras 92–95 and 97–98 for further details)		para 96, 97)
96	Report on the progress of work on the modalities, procedures and guidelines referred to in paragraph 91 above to future sessions of the COP, and that this work be concluded no later than 2018	APA	Future COP sessions; conclude no later than 2018 (COP 22, COP 23, COP 24)
	Global stocktake		
99	Identify the sources of input for the global stocktake referred to in Article 14 of the Agreement and to report to the COP, with a view to the COP making a recommendation to CMA1 (see para 99 (a–c) for further details)	APA	COP; CMA1
100	Provide advice on how the assessments of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change can inform the global stocktake of the implementation of the Agreement pursuant to its Article 14 and to report on this matter to APA 2	SBSTA	APA2 (Nov 2016)
101	Develop modalities for the global stocktake referred to in Article 14 of the Agreement and to report to the COP, with a view to the COP making a recommendation to CMA1	APA	COP; CMA1
	Facilitating implementation and compliance		
103	Develop the modalities and procedures for the effective operation of the committee referred to in Article 15.2 of the Agreement, with a view to the APA completing its work on such modalities and procedures for consideration and adoption by CMA1	APA	CMA1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Note: According to Article 11.5 of the Paris Agreement, CMA1 shall consider and adopt a decision on the initial institutional arrangements for capacity-building.

14 *Note*: According to Article 13.13 of the Paris Agreement, CMA1 shall, building on experience from the arrangements related to

transparency under the Convention, and elaborating on the provisions in this Article, adopt common modalities, procedures and guidelines, as appropriate, for the transparency of action and support.

Para	Activity	Body/actor	Timeline
	IV. ENHANCED ACTION PRIOR TO 2020		
	Technical examination process on mitigation (paras 109–112):		2016-2020
109	(a): Engage in this process, including, as appropriate, in cooperation with relevant non-Party stakeholders, to share their experiences and suggestions, including from regional events, and to cooperate in facilitating the implementation of policies, practices and actions identified during this process in accordance with national sustainable development priorities	Convention bodies and international organizations	Annually with COP and TEMs (ongoing until 2020)
	(c) In accordance with their respective mandates:		
	(i) To engage in the technical expert meetings (TEMs) and enhance their efforts to facilitate and support Parties in scaling up the implementation of policies, practices and actions identified during this process;	TEC and CTCN	See above
	(ii) To provide regular updates during the TEMs on the progress made in facilitating the implementation of policies, practices and actions previously identified during this process;	TEC and	Constant
	(iii) To include information on their activities under this process in their joint annual report to the COP	CTCN	See above
110	Engage in the technical expert meetings and to inform participants of their contribution to facilitating progress in the implementation of policies, practices and actions identified during the technical examination process	Operating entities of FM (GCF, GEF)	See above
112	Jointly organize the process referred to in para 109 (technical examination process on mitigation), on an ongoing basis until 2020	SBI and SBSTA	See above
113	Conduct in 2017 an assessment of the process referred to in para 109 above so as to improve its effectiveness	COP	COP 23 (2017)
115	Conduct a facilitative dialogue in conjunction with COP22 to assess the progress in implementing decision 1/CP.19, paragraphs 3 and 4, and identify relevant opportunities to enhance the provision of financial resources, including for technology development and transfer, and capacity-building support, with a view to identifying ways to enhance the ambition of mitigation efforts by all Parties, including identifying relevant opportunities to enhance the provision and mobilization of support and enabling environments	СОР	COP 22 (2016)
120	Convene, pursuant to decision 1/CP.20, paragraph 21, building on the Lima-Paris Action Agenda and in conjunction with each session of the Conference of the Parties during the period 2016–2020, a high-level event (see para 120 (a–d) for further details)	СОР	COP sessions from 2016 – 2020
121	Act on behalf of the President of the COP to facilitate through strengthened high- level engagement in the period 2016–2020 the successful execution of existing efforts and the scaling-up and introduction of new or strengthened voluntary efforts, initiatives and coalition (see para 121 (a–c) for further details)	Two high- level champions	COP sessions from 2016– 2020
	Technical examination process on adaptation (paras 124–130):		2016-2020
126	The process referred to in para 124 (technical examination process on adaptation) should be organized jointly by SBI and SBSTA, on an ongoing basis until 2020, and be conducted by the AC	Organized by SBI and SBSTA; conducted by AC	On an ongoing basis until 2020
130	In conducting the process referred to in paragraph 124 above, engage with and explore ways to take into account, synergize with and build on the existing arrangements for adaptation-related work programmes, bodies and institutions under the Convention so as to ensure coherence and maximum value	AC	
131	Conduct, in conjunction with the assessment referred to in paragraph 113 (assessment of technical examination process on mitigation), an assessment of the process referred to in paragraph 124 (technical examination process on adaptation), so as to improve its effectiveness	СОР	COP 23 (2017)
	V. Non-Party stakeholders		
135	Platform for the exchange of experiences and sharing of best practices on mitigation and adaptation in a holistic and integrated manner	COP	no timeline specified

### **Abbreviations**

ACAdaptation Committee
APAAd Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement
CMAConference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement
CMPConference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol
COPConference of the Parties
CTCNClimate Technology Centre and Network
FMFinancial Mechanism of the Convention
GCFGreen Climate Fund
GEFGlobal Environment Facility
LEGLeast Developed Countries Expert Group
NDCsnationally determined contributions
PCCBParis Committee on Capacity-building
SBISubsidiary Body for Implementation
SBSTASubsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice
SCFStanding Committee on Finance
TECTechnology Executive Committee
TEMs technical expert meetings
TEPtechnical examination process
WIM ExCom Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts