

In-session round table on APA agenda item 3 of the Ad-hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement (APA)

“Further guidance in relation to the mitigation section of decision 1/CP.21”¹

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Afternoon: 14:00 – 18:00

1. Opening by the APA Co-Chairs (14:00-14:10)
2. Introduction by the co-facilitators of APA agenda item 3 (14:10-14:50)
 - Approach to the round table
 - Presentation of the non-paper
 - General discussion

Parties are invited to reflect on the following general questions to inform the discussions on all three sub-items:

- What level of detail does the guidance to be agreed in 2018 need to provide, so that it is politically acceptable to all Parties, practical and, above all, useful?
- What are Parties' views on the possibility of further improving the guidance based on experience gained?

3. Features (14:50-15:50)
 - Introduction
 - Open discussion

Parties are invited to reflect on the following questions:

- What would be the value of listing features in the guidance, and how could it best be realized?
- Is elaboration of some of these features necessary, and, if so, how would it assist Parties in implementing the provisions of the Paris Agreement?

4. Information (15:50-16:50)
 - Introduction
 - Open discussion

¹ Information relating to APA agenda item 3 is available here: <http://unfccc.int/bodies/apa/items/10128.php>.

Parties are invited to reflect on the following questions:

- What guidance on information could assist Parties in improving the clarity, transparency and understanding of their NDCs over time and how specific should it be?
- How could this guidance be developed so that it takes into account the diversity of nationally determined contributions, different national circumstances and capacities of Parties in line with the Paris Agreement?

5. Accounting (16:50-17:50)

- Introduction
- Open discussion

Parties are invited to reflect on the following questions:

- What are the priority requirements that the guidance on accounting should address?
- What form of guidance could assist Parties in promoting environmental integrity, transparency, accuracy, completeness, comparability and consistency (TACCC) and the avoidance of double-counting?
- How should guidance on accounting take into account the diversity of nationally determined contributions and the capacity of countries?

6. Closing by the APA Co-Chairs (17:50-18:00)²

- Wrap-up

Logistical note: While no registration is required for attendance, interested Parties are kindly invited to inform the secretariat of the names of the delegates who will attend this event. This would help the secretariat in the logistical preparations and planning for the round table. Parties are invited to send such information by email to ndcs@unfccc.int, if possible by 1 November 2017.

² According to the conclusions from the APA session in May 2017 (see paragraph 22(b) in FCCC/APA/2017/2), "If Parties agree, the co-facilitators designated for each relevant agenda item at APA 1.4 will prepare, under their own responsibility and the guidance of the APA Co-Chairs, an informal note reflecting the views expressed at the relevant round table and make that note available to Parties as soon as possible thereafter".