United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change



Overview of the Paris Outcome: transparency of action and support

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What constitutes the Paris Outcome on transparency

What? an enhanced transparency framework for action and support

Why? to build mutual trust and confidence and to promote effective implementation

How?

with built-in flexibility which takes into account Parties' different capacities and builds upon collective experience



Key principles

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Flexibility .... {Article 13.2}
                          ... build on and enhance the transparency
           {Article 13.3}
                           arrangements under the Convention
                                    .... implemented in a facilitative, non-intrusive, non-
                   {Article 13.3}
                                    punitive manner, respectful of national sovereignty,
                                    and avoid placing undue burden on Parties
..... special circumstances of the least developed
countries and small island developing States .... {Article 13.3}
                 {Article 13.4} ..... 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
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transparency of action and support.



Article 13: purpose of the transparency framework

Action: provide a clear understanding of climate change action in the light of the objective of the Convention as set out in its Article 2, including:

- # Clarity and tracking of progress towards achieving Parties' individual nationally determined contributions under Article 4:
- Parties' adaptation actions under Article 7, including good practices, priorities, needs and gaps.

Article 13.5

Inform global stocktake under Article 14

Article 13.6

Support: The purpose of the framework for transparency of support is to provide:

- # Clarity on support provided and received by relevant individual Parties in the context of climate change actions under Articles 4, 7, 9, 10 and 11;
- To the extent possible, a **full overview of aggregate** financial support provided.



• Article 4 – mitigation/nationally determined contribution; Article 7 – adaptation; Article 9 – finance; Article 10 – technology development and transfer; Article 11 – capacity-building; Article 14 – global stocktake

Article 13: transparency arrangements

Reporting

All Parties (shall)

- National greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory report {Article 13.7(a)}
- Progress made in implementing and achieving nationally determined contribution (NDC) {Article 13.7(b)}

All Parties (should, as appropriate)

 Climate change impacts and adaptation {Article 13.8}

Developed country Parties (shall) and other Parties that provided support (should)

Financial, technology transfer and capacitybuilding support provided to developing country Parties under Article 9, 10 and 11 (Article 13.9)



Developing country Parties (should)

Financial, technology transfer and capacitybuilding support needed and received under Articles 9, 10 and 11 (Article 13.10)

All Parties (shall)

 Undergo technical expert review of information submitted under Articles 13.7 and 13.9 (Article 13.11)

Technical expert review

Technical review for all Parties (shall)

- Identify areas of improvement for the Party,
- Consistency of the information with the modalities, procedures and guidelines referred to in paragraph 13 of this Article (Article 13.12)



Technical review for those developing country Parties that need it in the light of their capacities (shall)

 Include identifying capacity-building needs {Article 13.11}

Multilateral facilitative consideration

All Parties (shall)

Multilateral facilitative consideration of progress with respect to efforts under Article 9, and its respective implementation and achievement of its NDCs {Article 13.11}

Article 13 and developing countries

- Flexibility provides <u>flexibility in the implementation</u> of the provisions of this Article to those developing country Parties that need it in the light of their capacities; the modalities, procedures and guidelines referred to in paragraph 13 of this Article shall reflect such flexibility {Article 13.2}
- LDCs and SIDs recognizes the <u>special circumstances</u> of the least developed countries and small island developing States {Article 13.3}
- Support provides support to developing countries for the implementation of this Article as well as for the building of transparency-related capacity on a continuous basis. {Article 13.14 and 13.15}



Mandate to develop and adopt MPGs

"The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement shall, at its first session, 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."

{*Article 13.2*}



What does COP decision address:

- Support to developing countries {paragraphs 84 88}
- Flexibility to developing countries in the implementation of the provisions of Article 13 {paragraph 89}
- Frequency of the submission of information by Parties: no less frequently than on a biennial basis (the least developed country Parties and small island developing States may submit this information at their discretion) {paragraph 90}
- Mandate to the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement (APA) to {paragraph 91}:
 - a) Develop recommendations for modalities, procedures and guidelines (MPGs)
 - b) Define the year of their **first and subsequent review** and update, as appropriate, at regular intervals



What does COP decision address:

- Timeframe for completion of work on MPGs for consideration by COP 24 with a view to forwarding them to the CMA for adoption at its first session {paragraph 91}
- Key parameters and considerations for developing MPGs {paragraphs 92, 93 and 94}
- Mandate to APA to enhance transparency of support {paragraph 95}
- Additional guidance on timeframe to complete the work on MPGs: APA to report on the progress of work to future sessions of the COP, and that this work be concluded no later than 2018 {paragraph 96}
- Timeline for the application of the MPGs: upon the entry into force of the Paris Agreement {paragraph 97}
- Timeline for the Paris Agreement transparency framework to supersede the Cancun & Durban MRV arrangements {paragraph 98}



Thank you

