



SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR IMPLEMENTATION

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Matters relating to Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9, of the Convention

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Draft conclusion proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) took note of the oral report by the Chair of the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG), and welcomed the report on the fifteenth meeting of the LEG held in Cotonou, Benin, from 3 to 5 March 2009.¹
2. The SBI thanked the Government of Benin for hosting the fifteenth meeting of the LEG, and expressed its gratitude to the Governments of Canada, Ireland and Sweden for providing financial resources in support of the work of the LEG.
3. The SBI welcomed the submission of 41 national adaptation programmes of action (NAPAs) to the secretariat as at 5 June 2009. The SBI noted the important role played by the LEG in assisting least developed countries (LDCs) with the preparation of NAPAs, and stressed the need for the LEG to continue to assist the LDCs that have not yet completed NAPAs to complete and submit these as soon as possible, in collaboration with the Global Environment Facility and its agencies.
4. The SBI expressed its appreciation to the LEG for the support it provides to LDCs in the implementation of NAPAs. The SBI encouraged the LEG to complete and distribute the “Step-by-step guide for implementation of national adaptation programmes of action”.
5. The SBI further encouraged the LEG to organize, in accordance with the LEG work programme and subject to the availability of funding, training on the design of NAPA implementation strategies and preparation of projects based on the step-by-step guide.
6. The SBI encouraged the LEG to continue the effective dialogue with the Global Environment Facility and its agencies on the NAPA process, in particular on the process for accessing funds, in order to adequately respond to the urgent and immediate nature of NAPA priority activities and projects.

¹ FCCC/SBI/2009/6.

7. The SBI encouraged LDC Parties, United Nations agencies and other relevant actors to provide to the LEG, through the ongoing LEG survey on the status of implementation of NAPAs,² information on progress made, problems faced and proposals for addressing these problems, including ideas on how the implementation of NAPAs could be further facilitated.

8. The SBI requested the LEG to keep it informed of the efforts of the LEG in implementing its work programme over the period 2008–2010.

9. The SBI invited Parties in a position to do so to continue to provide resources in support of the implementation of the LEG work programme, including for the training workshops on NAPA implementation.

² FCCC/SBI/2008/14, annex I.