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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) took note of the organization of the workshop on technology needs assessments (TNAs) organized by the secretariat, in collaboration with the Global Environment Facility, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Environment Programme and the Climate Technology Initiative, on 1 and 2 June 2011 in Bonn, Germany.
2. The SBSTA noted with appreciation the active participation of experts and practitioners from the public and private sectors. The SBSTA also noted that the written report on the outcomes of this workshop will be made available for consideration by the SBSTA at its thirty-fifth session.
3. The SBSTA noted that in order to enhance the near-term prospect that projects identified through the TNA process will be implemented, projects should be presented as broadly as possible, through existing and enhanced means, to potential sources of financing from the public and private sectors and international cooperation. Among the sources of public and private funding, project facilitation tools and related organizations that were discussed during the TNA workshop referred to in paragraph 1 above were the Global Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Fund, the Asian Development Bank, the KfW Reconstruction Credit Institute, the Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership, the World Business Council on Sustainable Development, and the Climate Technology Initiative–Private Financing Advisory Network, which facilitates access to financing to implement projects in developing countries. The SBSTA further noted that TNAs could provide useful information to Parties for activities under the Technology Mechanism established by decision 1/CP.16 to be fully operational in 2012, in accordance with decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 128.
4. The SBSTA welcomed the UNFCCC training package on preparing technology transfer projects for financing, which resulted from the training programme on project preparation implemented by the secretariat in collaboration with international organizations

and initiatives in response to a request by the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth session.¹

5. The SBSTA recalled the conclusions of its thirty-third session requesting the secretariat to organize, subject to the availability of resources, two training workshops, in French and Spanish, respectively, on preparing technology transfer projects for financing for Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (non-Annex I Parties) and to report on progress in the implementation of a pilot online training course on the same matter for consideration at its thirty-fifth session.² It invited Parties and relevant organizations in a position to do so to provide financial support to ensure the timely and effective organization of these activities, which could assist non-Annex I Parties in implementing the results of TNAs.

¹ FCCC/CP/2007/6, paragraph 79(a).

² FCCC/SBSTA/2010/13, paragraphs 30, 33 and 34.