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## Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice

Thirty-sixth session

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Agenda item 10(f)

**Methodological issues under the Convention**

**Greenhouse gas data interface**

### Greenhouse gas data interface

#### Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) welcomed the further improvements made by the secretariat to the greenhouse gas (GHG) data interface, in particular the provision of the facility to calculate user-defined indicators, as well as the inclusion of information from the compilation and accounting database.
2. The SBSTA noted with concern that, due to a lack of resources, the secretariat has not yet implemented the request made by the SBSTA at its thirty-fourth session<sup>1</sup> to present data in the modules of the data interface, where applicable, in physical units in addition to carbon dioxide equivalent, and reiterated its request.
3. The SBSTA agreed to consider, at its thirty-eighth session, matters relating to the further development of the interface in order to accommodate relevant changes relating to the forthcoming use of the revised reporting guidelines<sup>2</sup> by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention in their annual GHG inventory reporting, starting with the 2015 submission, subject to a final decision by the Conference of the Parties on the revised guidelines at its nineteenth session.
4. The SBSTA requested that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

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<sup>1</sup> FCCC/SBSTA/2011/2, paragraph 84.

<sup>2</sup> “Guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, Part I: UNFCCC reporting guidelines on annual greenhouse gas inventories” (decision 15/CP.17, annex I).