United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

9th meeting of the Adaptation Committee

Agenda item 7(c)

Overarching coherence. Collaboration with other entities

Concept note on a side event conducted by the Adaptation Committee during the 44th sessions of the subsidiary bodies

Bonn, Germany, 1 to 3 March 2016



I: Context

- ❖ <u>Past work</u> on collaboration with organizations, centres and networks included:
 - > Establishment of an AC ad-hoc group on technical support;
 - Assessment of support for adaptation action provided by regional institutions and UN agencies;
 - Special event conducted during SB40.
- ❖ Recommendation from special event, taken up by the ad-hoc group on technical support: Creation of a partnership platform with regional centres to exchange experiences and build capacity, in particular to better support Parties in their adaptation activities
- ❖ Now: In line with AC 2016-2018 workplan, AC to consult, including through a side event at SB44 and targeted outrach, with organizations, centres and networks on collaboration in the area of provision of technical support
- ❖ Next steps according to workplan: ToRs for a partnership platform



II: Summary_1

- ❖ Objective and scope of side event:
 - ➤ Past work focused on "the what" of support, side event could explore "the how",
 - Assess support for a partnership platform,
 - Define steps needed for the establishment.
- Invitees: Representatives from various centres and networks to showcase different modalities of work
 - Not necessarily centres working on adaptation
 - Regional balance to be kept in mind
- Speakers: Limited number of interventions could be invited to inform and frame the discussion



II: Summary_2

- **❖ Date and time:** Tuesday 17 May, 13.15 to 14.45
- **❖ Possible format**: Three parts
 - Framing the event: An overview of previous AC work on technical support and introduction of the proposal of establishing a partnership platform;
 - → 3-4 speakers representing centres/networks using different modalities of collaboration to showcase their mode of work;
 - Facilitated discussion to collect input for the AC.



III: Next Steps

The AC may wish to:

- Exchange ideas on what a partnership platform could look like, and what it aims to achieve;
- Identify AC member to champion partnership platform idea and lead further work;
- ➤ Agree on other forms of targeted outreach to obtain information from the potential user side (e.g. questionnaire to NWP partners and/or a survey to be conducted at NAP Expo);
- ➤ Use information gathered from previous work, side event and other targeted outreach, to initiate discussions on terms of reference of partnership platform;
- Consider formalizing collaboration with NWP in the context of the platform.

