

# Loss and Damage: Warsaw Outcomes & Next Steps

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# Warsaw Outcomes:

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- COP 19 established the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage under the Cancun Adaptation Framework, subject to review by the COP at its 22<sup>nd</sup> session.
- The functions of the WIM are to:
  - Enhance knowledge and understanding about L&D;
  - Strengthen dialogue, coordination, coherence, and synergies among stakeholders to address L&D; and
  - Enhance action and support to address L&D.
- Establishes a L&D Executive Committee (“ExCom”) to guide the implementation of the functions of the WIM.
- Composition of the ExCom will be agreed to in Lima at COP 20.
- In the meantime, an interim ExCom, comprised of two members each from the AC, LEG, SCF, TEC and CGE, will develop a two year work plan for approval in Lima.



## Interim ExCom members, as of 2/13:

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- Adaptation Committee: Juan Hoffmaister and Christina Chan
- CGE: Thiago de Araujo Mendes and Hilary Hove
- LEG: Pepetua E. Latasi and Matti Numelin
- SCF: Paul Herbert Oquist Kelley and Willemijn Slingenberg-Verdegaal
- TEC: TBD

*Members represent their constituted body under the Convention, not their country or Party group*

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# Proposed approach for the L&D work plan

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- The work plan should build on existing products from the L&D work program established in 2010, where possible.
- The work plan should identify opportunities for how the UNFCCC can help inform/catalyze action among institutions and organizations outside the Convention to address L&D, including by engaging institutions, etc.
- At the same time, the work plan should help the UNFCCC take in lessons from institutions and organizations outside the Convention. The ExCom can translate these lessons/findings into technical and other support and guidance to Parties and/or into recommendations for consideration by the COP.
- The work plan should include activities that are executed by the Adaptation Committee and the other four bodies that compose the interim ExCom. This would help foster dialogue, collaboration and synergies to address L&D within the Convention and maximize resources/efforts.
- In addition, the workplan should include work to be executed by the ExCom as a stand-alone body, according to its functions



# Proposed approach for AC consideration

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- We seek endorsement from the AC at this meeting on our proposed approach, which we would then recommend to the ExCom meeting on March 25-28.
- We welcome ideas on specific activities that the AC would like to see included in the work plan, in line with the functions of the WIM and consistent with our mandate as the AC (here as well as over email between now and March 25).
- We will take those ideas with us to the ExCom meeting, and engage in the discussions about the work plan keeping our AC mandate and work plan in mind.
- For any activities that would require AC leadership or contribution, we would consult back with the AC (likely over email) before agreeing to their inclusion in the work plan on behalf of the AC.

