

Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice

2021 session¹

Draft provisional agenda^{2,3}

1. Opening of the session.
2. Organizational matters:⁴
 - (a) Adoption of the agenda;
 - (b) Organization of the work of the session;
 - (c) Election of officers other than the Chair;
 - (d) Mandated events.
3. Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change.
4. Report of the Adaptation Committee (for 2019, 2020 and 2021).*
5. Report of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts (for 2020 and 2021).*
6. Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform.
7. Development and transfer of technologies: joint annual report of the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network (for 2020 and 2021).*
8. Koronivia joint work on agriculture.*
9. Sources of input for the global stocktake under the Paris Agreement.
10. Matters related to science and review:
 - (a) Research and systematic observation;
 - (b) Second periodic review of the long-term global goal under the Convention and of overall progress towards achieving it.*
11. Matters relating to the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures serving the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement.*
12. Methodological issues under the Convention:
 - (a) Training programme for review experts for the technical review of greenhouse gas inventories of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention;
 - (b) Training programme for review experts for the technical review of biennial reports and national communications of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention;
 - (c) Revision of the UNFCCC reporting guidelines on annual inventories for Parties included in Annex I to the Convention;
 - (d) Guidelines for the technical review of information reported under the Convention related to greenhouse gas inventories, biennial reports and national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention;

¹ The first sessional period in 2021 was convened in a virtual format from 31 May to 17 June 2021, as agreed by the Bureau of the COP, the CMP and the CMA at its meeting on 15 April 2021 (see [the message on the outcomes of the meeting](#)). The second sessional period will be convened in conjunction with COP 26 and open on 31 October 2021.

² This draft provisional agenda supersedes the one issued in 2020 for SBSTA 52 and reflects mandates for 2020–2021 (SBSTA 52, SBSTA 53, SBSTA 54 and SBSTA 55).

³ Joint SBI–SBSTA agenda items are marked with an asterisk.

⁴ At the first sessional period of the SBSTA in May–June 2021, the work was convened informally on the basis of the draft provisional agenda, as presented by the the Chair of the SBSTA in his scenario notes in response to the request by the Bureau at its meeting on 15 April 2021.

- (e) Greenhouse gas data interface;
 - (f) Common metrics to calculate the carbon dioxide equivalence of greenhouse gases;
 - (g) Emissions from fuel used for international aviation and maritime transport.
13. Methodological issues under the Kyoto Protocol:
- (a) Land use, land-use change and forestry under Article 3, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Kyoto Protocol and under the clean development mechanism;
 - (b) Implications of the inclusion of reforestation of lands with forest in exhaustion as afforestation and reforestation clean development mechanism project activities.
14. Methodological issues under the Paris Agreement:
- (a) Common reporting tables for the electronic reporting of the information in the national inventory reports of anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks of greenhouse gases;
 - (b) Common tabular formats for the electronic reporting of the information necessary to track progress made in implementing and achieving nationally determined contributions under Article 4 of the Paris Agreement;
 - (c) Common tabular formats for the electronic reporting of the information on financial, technology development and transfer and capacity-building support provided and mobilized, as well as support needed and received, under Articles 9–11 of the Paris Agreement;
 - (d) Outlines of the biennial transparency report, national inventory document and technical expert review report pursuant to the modalities, procedures and guidelines for the transparency framework for action and support;
 - (e) Training programme for technical experts participating in the technical expert review.
15. Matters relating to Article 6 of the Paris Agreement:
- (a) Guidance on cooperative approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement;
 - (b) Rules, modalities and procedures for the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement;
 - (c) Work programme under the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement.
16. Market and non-market mechanisms under the Convention:
- (a) Framework for various approaches;
 - (b) Non-market-based approaches;
 - (c) New market-based mechanism.
17. Cooperation with other international organizations.
18. Annual reports on technical reviews:
- (a) Technical review of information reported under the Convention by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention in their biennial reports and national communications;
 - (b) Technical review of greenhouse gas inventories of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention;
 - (c) Technical review of greenhouse gas inventories and other information reported by Parties included in Annex I, as defined in Article 1, paragraph 7, of the Kyoto Protocol.
19. Other matters.
20. Closure of and report on the session.