

10th meeting of the Adaptation Committee

Agenda item 7 (a)

**Awareness-raising, outreach and sharing of information.
Contribution to the 5th Asia Pacific Climate Change Adaptation
Forum**

Oral report

Bonn, Germany, 13 to 16 September 2016



I: Introduction and background

Brief update on the status of preparation for our session during this year's conference of the Asia Pacific Adaptation Network (APAN):

- ❖ At AC 9 we accepted an invitation by the Global Adaption Network to organize a session during that conference.
- ❖ The conference will take place in **Colombo, Sri Lanka, from 17 to 19 October 2016.**
- ❖ Theme of the conference: **“Adapting and Living below 2°C: Bridging the Gaps in Policy & Practice”** and it will explore platforms and concrete pathways for even greater partnerships by governments, civil society and business.
- ❖ Intersessionally, the Co-Chairs and I agreed that the AC's Paris mandate **“to consider methodologies for assessing adaptation needs”** would lend itself as a **topic**. It is the one topic that has not been discussed together with another body and it is not profiting from any submissions so far. It is also a topic to which the conference participants should be able to make useful contributions.



II: Format and outline of the session

- ❖ Duration: 1.5 hours and will take place on the last day of the conference.
- ❖ Format: Plenary-style setting, in parallel with four other sessions.
- ❖ Outline: It will be as follows:
 - **Part 1:** Welcome and introduction by an AC Co-Chair: *Overview of adaptation-relevant provisions of the Paris Agreement and tasks for the AC.*
 - **Part 2:** Two overview presentations by presenters (i.e. 1 developing and 1 developed country) drawn from the conference participants, on the question “***Which methodologies are efficient and effective to assess adaptation needs?***”.
 - **Party 3:** A moderated discussion to receive input and share experiences on the above topic.
 - **Part 4:** Reflections by the two overview presenters, wrap-up by the facilitator and closing by the chair.



III. Organizational issues

On the **organizational side**, I have received the following information:

- ❖ While the UNFCCC secretariat is unable to provide any funding, **UNEP** kindly confirmed that they can support **two AC members**. Our Co-Chair Minpeng has informally indicated that she may be able to attend;
- ❖ As not further funding is available, speakers and a facilitator of the session would need to be identified from the list of participants in the session.
- ❖ The secretariat has received a preliminary list of registered participants and we are hoping to receive an update soon;
- ❖ The Co-Chairs and I, supported by the secretariat, will now work further focusing the guiding question and strive to identify speakers and a facilitator as soon as possible;

Furthermore, I would like to encourage **other AC members from Annex I Parties** to also attend the conference.



IV: Next Steps

- The AC to identify two AC members to receive funding to attend the conference.
- Are any **of the observers here in the room are planning to attend** the conference? If so, would they be willing to contribute to our session?

