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Report of the Adaptation Committee



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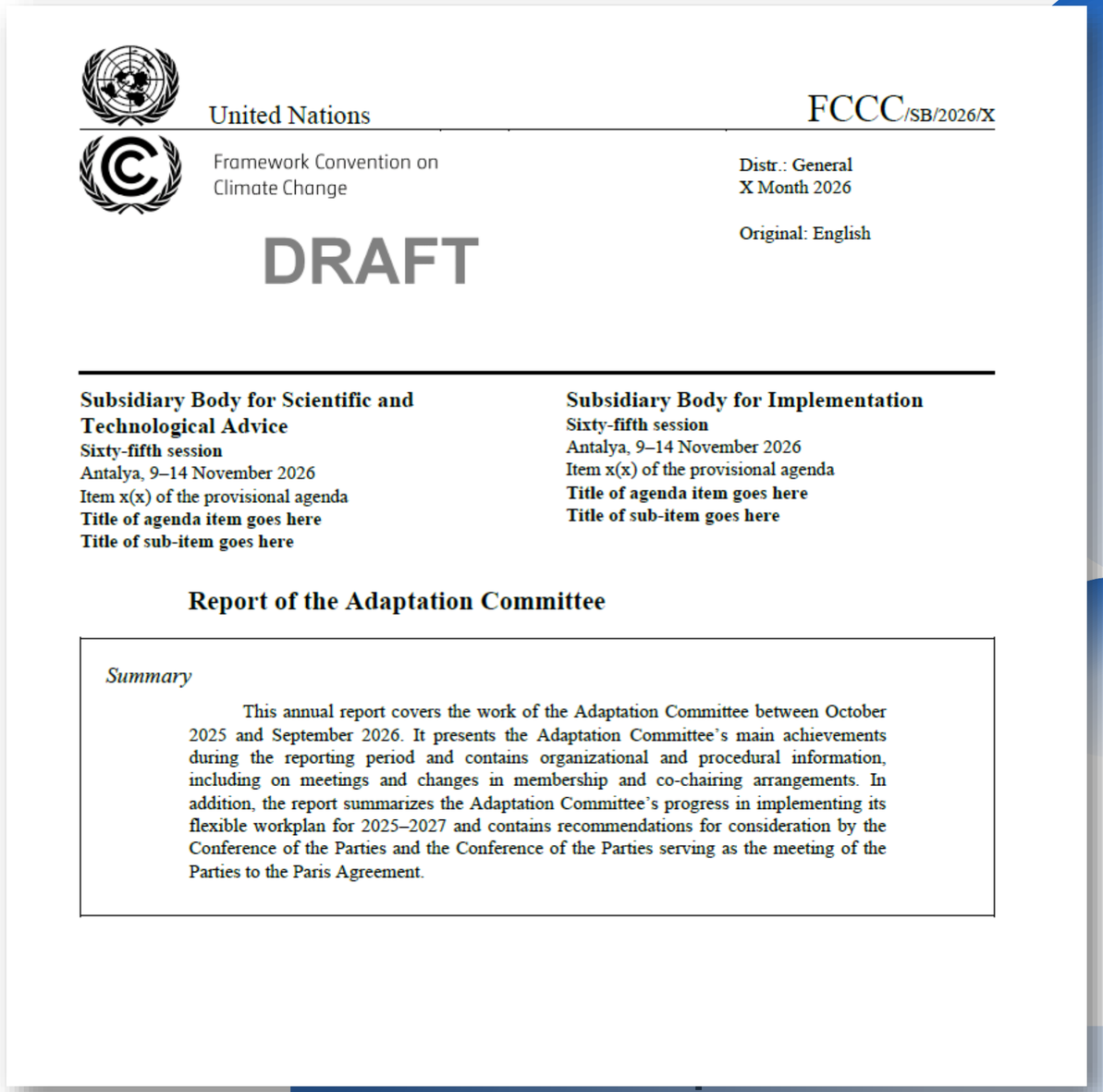
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I. Scope

Scope of report:

Progress in implementing **the 2025–2027 flexible workplan**

- Main achievements;
- Meetings, events, and changes in membership;
- Recommendations for consideration at COP 31 / CMA 8.



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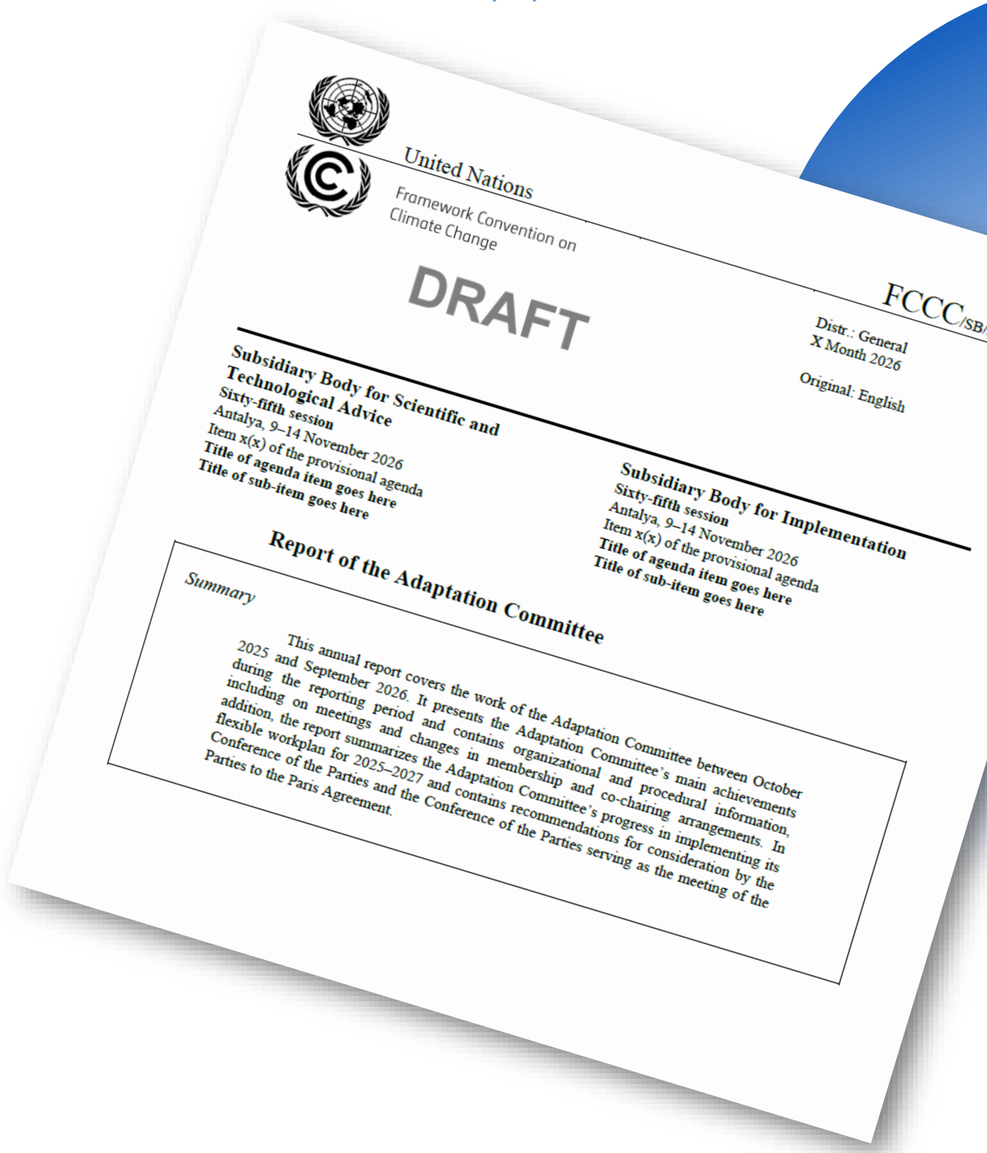
I. Introduction and background

➢ MANDATE:

- COP 17 decided that the AC shall operate under the authority of, and be accountable to, the COP, which should decide on its policies in line with relevant decisions.

- It requested the AC to report annually to the COP, through the subsidiary bodies, including on its activities and the performance of its functions, guidance, recommendations and other relevant information arising from its work and, as appropriate, on further action that may be required under the Convention for consideration by the COP.

- CMA 1 decided that the AC shall serve the Paris Agreement.


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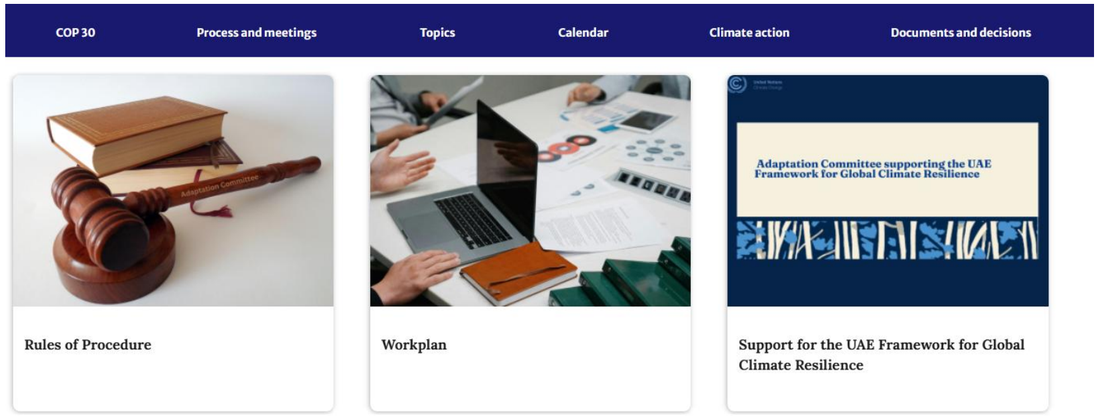
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Workplan - Adaptation Committee

The AC's flexible workplan for the years 2025-2027 is contained in the annex to the AC's annual report of 2024 and can be accessed directly onto the AC website.



Thematic area	*Mandate and flexibility*[a]	*Activity*	*2025*	*2026*	*2027*	*Collaboration*[b]
Workstream 1: Providing technical support and guidance to the Parties on adaptation, including on means of implementation						
Impact, vulnerability and risk assessment	AC 26 decision	Activity on impact, vulnerability and risk assessment, as appropriate	AC 27 to continue consideration of draft proposals on activities in the area of impact, vulnerability and risk assessment discussed at AC 26	Work as needed	Work as needed	To be decided
Adaptive capacity assessment	AC 26 decision	Activity on adaptive capacity assessment, as appropriate	AC 27 to continue consideration of draft proposals on activities in the area of adaptive capacity assessment discussed at AC 26	Work as needed	Work as needed	To be decided
Support for planning and implementation	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Periodically update the online resource on navigating the landscape of support for the process to formulate and implement NAPs[c]	Update the online resource	Update as needed	Update as needed	Operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, LEG and other constituted bodies, as appropriate
	2/CP.17, paragraph 121(c) Timing not flexible	Provide input to the draft guidance of the SCF for the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism	Provide written input in the second half of the year	Provide written input in the second half of the year	Provide written input in the second half of the year	SCF
Monitoring, evaluation and learning	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Further activities on monitoring, evaluation and learning, including follow-up work from the technical paper[d] and the toolkit,[e] as appropriate	To be decided	To be decided	To be decided	NAP task force, PCCB and other stakeholders to be decided
Identifying gaps and needs of developing countries	9/CP.27, paragraphs 7–8 Timing flexible	Continue identifying and addressing priority gaps	Continue identifying and addressing	Continue identifying and addressing	Continue identifying and	LEG

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I. Content

Procedural and factual information on the AC's activities between October 2025–September 2026

Purpose and scope

- Highlights the AC’s main achievements during the reporting period.
- Reports progress in implementing the flexible workplan for 2025–2027.
- Provides key organizational and procedural updates, including meetings, membership and co-chairing arrangements.
- Presents recommendations for consideration by the COP and CMA.

Key message:

The report captures the AC’s progress in delivering its mandates and advancing its work under the 2025–2027 workplan.

II. Highlights of Work

From knowledge and assessment → to guidance, capacity and coherent implementation.

During the reporting period, the AC advanced **enhanced and coherent adaptation action** under the Convention and the Paris Agreement through:

- ❑ **State of adaptation action** — Produced the **first synthesis report**, drawing on the AC interactive portal.
- ❑ **NAP support** — Completed the **first step of the update** of the online resource on navigating the landscape of support and advanced the next phase.
- ❑ **Monitoring, Evaluation & Learning (MEL)** — Gathered practitioner and stakeholder experience to inform the **update of the MEL Toolkit for NAP processes**.
- ❑ **Adaptation reporting** — With the **CGE and LEG**, advanced recommendations to improve reporting on adaptation action and progress.
- ❑ **IVRA** — Advanced technical work on **impact, vulnerability and risk and adaptation assessment**, including analysis of case studies across regions and contexts.
- ❑ **Adaptive capacity** — Advanced technical work on **adaptive capacity assessment**.
- ❑ **UAE Framework** — Advanced **technical guidance and training materials** through a two-track approach covering existing resources and new training products.
- ❑ **Coherence & collaboration** — Strengthened engagement among constituted bodies, particularly the **AC, LEG, CGE and SCF**, including on adaptation finance and NAP implementation.

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III. Structure of the Report of the Adaptation Committee (2026)

- **Summary** – Overview of work and achievements (Oct 2025–Sept 2026)
- **Abbreviations and acronyms** – Key institutional and technical terms
- **Introduction** – Mandate, scope, and possible actions by subsidiary bodies
- **Highlights** – Major outputs, publications, and initiatives
- **Organizational and procedural matters** – Meetings, membership, observer engagement
- **Progress in implementing the flexible workplan (2025–2027)** – Technical support, guidance, NAPs, MEL, finance, knowledge products
- **Communication, collaboration and coherence** – Outreach, partnerships, regional work, gender integration
- **Task force on national adaptation plans** – Activities and outputs
- **Recommendations to COP 31 and CMA 8** – For consideration and adoption at AC30

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IV. Timeline



Actual consultation process | Draft 0 (15 Aug 2026) → advanced draft (7 Sep 2026) → AC30

Milestones

July	Report structure and drafting responsibilities confirmed.
1–15 August	Inputs compiled across AC workstreams and consolidated into Draft 0.
15 August	Draft 0 circulated to AC members for consultation, per the timeline agreed during the mid-term call.
21 August	Deadline for AC member comments.
Late Aug / early Sep	Comments consolidated and substantive revisions undertaken; Co-Chairs kept informed.
Early September	Advanced draft prepared and submitted for editorial review.
Pre-AC30	Editorial comments reviewed and promptly addressed; revised advanced version prepared for AC30.
14–17 Sep | AC30	Consideration and endorsement; incorporate AC30 outcomes.
After AC30	Targeted LEG/CGE consultation on paragraph 45 recommendation + final editorial/formatting work → final report.

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IV. Timeline

Drafting | **Member consultation** | **Revision** | **Editorial review** | **AC30** | **Finalization**

The AC has been developing, in collaboration with the **CGE and LEG**, recommendations on improving reporting on adaptation action and progress pursuant to **decision 2/CMA.5, paragraph 45**. The draft reflects inputs from the CGE and LEG, relevant synthesis/progress reports, technical reviews, and submissions from Parties and non-Party stakeholders.

Process

- **AC30 consideration and agreement**
  Finalize the first set of recommendations on improving adaptation reporting.
- **Secretariat prepares agreed recommendation text**
- **Targeted consultation with the LEG and the CGE**
  At the earliest possible opportunity.
- **Short consultation window**
  Less than two weeks | tightly scoped
- **Address inputs received as appropriate**
- **Finalize the annual report (23 Sept)**

Key message

This targeted consultation should not delay overall finalization of the report.

Note (AC30 annotated agenda)

The AC30 annotated agenda specifically invites the AC to finalize the first set of recommendations on improving adaptation reporting.

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V. Status overview

Workstream	Status	Note
Substantive draft	**Advanced**	AC member comments incorporated and editorial comments addressed. Drafting and consultations largely completed.
AC30 outcomes	**Pending**	Placeholders will be completed as AC30 reaches agreements –as per AA Pre-AC30 draft intentionally retains outcome placeholders.
Editorial / formatting	**Minor work remaining**	Final formatting, references, cross-references, document symbols and QA. Targeted completion rather than a new drafting round.
Para. 45 recommendation	**Targeted consultation required**	Consult the LEG and the CGE at the earliest possible opportunity, on a short consultation window (< 2 weeks). Section developed pursuant to decision 2/CMA.5, paragraph 45.

No major additional drafting cycle is envisaged.

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VI. Next steps – the AC may wish to…

- **Consider its 2026 draft report** as circulated internally to AC members;
- **Request the secretariat to finalize the draft report** with the agreements from AC 29 and intersessional work including possible recommendations to the governing bodies;
- Share it with AC members for approval shortly before end of AC 30;
- Short deadline for transmitting the report for translation into all UN languages.

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