19th meeting of the Adaptation Committee

Agenda item 6a

Considering approaches to reviewing the overall progress made in achieving the global goal on adaptation

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I. Introduction and background

- 2015 Paris Agreement, Art.7.1: global goal on adaptation of enhancing adaptive capacity, strengthening resilience and reducing vulnerability to climate change, with a view to contributing to sustainable development and ensuring an adequate response in the context of the goal of limiting temperature increase
- CMA Madrid 2019: Request to AC to consider approaches to reviewing the overall progress made in achieving the global goal on adaptation and to reflect the outcome of this consideration in its 2021 annual report
- 2019-2021 AC workplan: Preparation of a technical paper on useful information and methodologies for assessing progress in enhancing adaptive capacity, strengthening resilience and reducing vulnerability to climate change, initially planned for 2021



II: Overview

- The information note provides a high-level summary of the draft technical paper, as requested during AC 18. It summarizes:
 - The background and mandate of the work

Key challenges

- A literature review on approaches for assessing collective progress on adaptation
- Existing systems for assessing adaptation progress at the global, supranational, national, and subnational levels
- Recurring themes and overarching considerations
- Reflections on potential methodologies
- These topics are addressed with more detail and nuance in the draft technical paper, which is contained in the annex to the information note.



- The AC may wish to:
 - Consider the annex to the note, including the option of publishing it as a knowledge product;
 - Consider organizing a related webinar/expert meeting;
 - Consider establishing a thematic expert group to solicit additional input for the AC to reflect and to include in its 2021 annual report

