

19th meeting of the Adaptation Committee

Possible themes for the second report of a series of biennial synthesis reports in the context of the recognition of adaptation efforts of developing countries

16-19 March 2021



I: Mandate and background

- The CMA requested the secretariat, under the guidance of the AC and the LEG and in collaboration with relevant stakeholders, to prepare synthesis reports every two years starting in 2020. The synthesis reports on specific adaptation themes are focused on relevant lessons learned and good practices in developing country Parties in the context of the recognition of their adaptation efforts.
- The AC in its revised 2019-2021 workplan agreed to identify in 2021 three to five themes based on current work and to prepare an outline on the chosen theme by end of 2021. It further agreed to coordinate with the LEG Chair.



II: Suggested themes

- Efforts of developing countries in enabling adaptation by private actors, including through economic and policy instruments. Such instruments may include regulations, risk sharing and risk transfer, improved resource pricing, subsidies, and taxes;
- Efforts of developing countries in setting up institutional arrangements to plan and implement adaptation at different levels of government;
- Efforts of developing countries in assessing the costs of adaptation. This could entail exploring different methodological approaches developing countries are taking in assessing the costs of adaptation, including as it relates to data, discount rates, and other considerations;
- Efforts of developing countries in engaging stakeholders in adaptation planning and implementation;
- Efforts of developing countries in meeting their adaptation costs; exploring instruments, actors and approaches, including through national budgetary allocations, percentage loss of their GDPs, private sector investments, etc.



IV: Next steps

- The AC, following agreement on a theme, may wish to request the secretariat to prepare a first draft, including the underlying methodology, possibilities for collaborating with stakeholders and preliminary findings, for consideration at AC 20
- The AC may wish to inform the LEG accordingly

