

## Draft flexible workplan of the NAP task force for 2025–2027

### Recommended action by the Adaptation Committee

The Adaptation Committee (AC), at its 27<sup>th</sup> meeting, will be invited to agree on the draft flexible workplan of the NAP task force for 2025–2027 and provide guidance to the NAP task force on its priority activities for 2025.

## 1. Background

1. The AC's task force on National Adaptation Plans (NAP TF) was established with the aim of further supporting developing countries seeking to formulate and implement national adaptation plans (NAPs) at AC 4 and it was welcomed by the Conference of the Parties (COP) at COP 19<sup>1</sup>. It comprises representatives of the AC, the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG), the Standing Committee on Finance (SCF), the Technology Executive Committee (TEC), the Adaptation Fund, the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and the Green Climate Fund (GCF), as well as contributors from the Consultative Group of Experts (CGE), the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage (WIM ExCom), the Facilitative Working Group (FWG) of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform (LCIPP), and the Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB).
2. The NAP TF organizes its work through flexible workplans, aligned with the flexible workplans of the AC, and aims to support the implementation of the AC's work in a manner that enhances collaboration and coherence among constituted bodies, as per the AC's mandate.
3. At AC 26, the AC took note of the actions accomplished by the NAP TF in line with its 2022–2024<sup>2</sup> workplan and agreed to provide guidance to the NAP TF at AC 27 regarding possible future activities in light of the AC's flexible workplan for 2025–2027.

## 2. Update on NAP task force's activities since AC 26

4. Since AC 26, the NAP TF has undertaken the following activities:
5. In November 2024, the NAP TF published a policy brief on progress, good practices and lessons learned, challenges and opportunities in the application of traditional knowledge, knowledge of Indigenous Peoples and local knowledge systems in adaptation.<sup>3</sup>
6. The NAP TF held its first meeting of the year on 4 February 2025 and considered and agreed on its draft flexible 2025–2027 workplan as well as priority activities for 2025.

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<sup>1</sup> Decision 16/CP.19.

<sup>2</sup> See <https://unfccc.int/documents/638614>.

<sup>3</sup> See <https://unfccc.int/documents/642260>.

7. In their consideration of the proposed activities for the draft 2025–2027 NAP TF workplan, NAP TF members and contributors provided the following comments and additional proposals:

- a) It was proposed that the NAP TF would contribute to the update of the AC's publication<sup>4</sup> and online tool<sup>5</sup> on "Navigating the landscape of support for the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans;"
- b) NAP TF members and contributors also suggested to conduct a training session at the 2025 NAP Expo on "Navigating the landscape of support for the process to formulate and implement NAPs" which could include seeking feedback from participants on ways to further improve the respective publication and online tool;
- c) It was proposed by the AC that the NAP TF would provide inputs to the Adaptation Finance Bulletin and the new Adaptation Action Bulletin/Newsletter, including its conceptualization. After the meeting, the AC circulated the concept note of the newsletter/bulletin to the NAP TF members and contributors for their feedback, and the draft was revised based on the feedback received.

### 3. Draft flexible workplan of the AC's task force on National Adaptation Plans for 2025–2027

8. The flexible workplan of the NAP TF is aligned with the flexible workplan of the AC and aims to support the implementation of AC's work in a manner that enhances collaboration and coherence among constituted bodies, as per the AC's mandate.

9. The draft workplan below is based on the AC's flexible workplan for 2025–2027 (see annex), contained in the AC's 2024 annual report<sup>6</sup> that was welcomed by COP 29 and CMA 6.

#### Proposed draft NAP task force workplan for 2025–2027

AC workplan		NAP Task Force Workplan			
Thematic area	AC Activity		2025	2026	2027
<b>Workstream 1: Providing technical support and guidance to the Parties on adaptation, including on means of implementation</b>					
Support for planning and implementation	Periodically update the online resource on navigating the landscape of support for the process to formulate and implement NAPs	Contribute to the update of online resource on <b>navigating the landscape of support</b> for the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans	Update content Update webpage Host a <b>session/ session at NAP Expo</b> on "navigating the landscape of support": <b>Module 1:</b> give technical guidance and training by providing information to experts and trainers on available information for navigating the landscape of support <b>Module 2:</b> ask for feedback on how to improve the online resource on 'navigation the landscape of support'	see 2025	see 2025

<sup>4</sup> See <https://unfccc.int/topics/adaptation-and-resilience/resources/publications/navigating-the-landscape-of-support-for-the-process-to-formulate-and-implement-national-adaptation>

<sup>5</sup> See <https://unfccc.int/napsupport>

<sup>6</sup> [FCCC/SB/2024/4](https://unfccc.int/napsupport)

AC workplan		NAP Task Force Workplan			
Thematic area	AC Activity		2025	2026	2027
Monitoring, evaluation and learning	Further activities on monitoring, evaluation and learning, including follow-up work from the technical paper and the toolkit, as appropriate	Contribute to the AC's work on monitoring, evaluation and learning, as appropriate	to be determined	to be determined	to be determined
Identifying gaps and needs of developing countries	Continue identifying and addressing priority gaps and needs of developing countries related to the process to formulate and implement NAPs	Identify and address priority gaps and needs of developing countries	Identify gaps and needs of developing countries	see 2025	see 2025
		Address priority gaps and needs of developing countries, incl. through technical guidance, <sup>7</sup> training and thematic dialogues	See 'support for planning and implementation'/'navigating the landscape of support'	see 2025	see 2025
	Organize training for developing country Parties on addressing identified gaps and needs		To be determined based on AC work on 'monitoring and evaluation', AC strategy paper on technical guidance and training materials, other CBs workplans	see 2025	see 2025
Technical guidance and training materials	Support implementation of the United Arab Emirates Framework for Global Climate Resilience with technical guidance and training materials thereon		Topic to be determined based on gaps and needs and AC strategy paper on technical guidance and training materials, other CBs workplans	to be determined	to be determined
	Conduct new thematic dialogues in conjunction with existing adaptation-related meetings		Continue thematic dialogue on private sector engagement in adaptation	see 2025	see 2025

<sup>7</sup> This can include policy briefs which were produced by the NAP TF during the period of 2022–2024 and which were based on cross-cutting mandates for constituted bodies on gender ([Progress, good practices and lessons learned in prioritizing and incorporating gender-responsive adaptation action](#)) and Indigenous Peoples and local communities ([Progress, good practices and lessons learned, challenges and opportunities in the application of traditional knowledge, knowledge of Indigenous Peoples and local knowledge systems in adaptation](#)).

		NAP Task Force Workplan			
AC workplan					
Thematic area	AC Activity		2025	2026	2027
Workstream 3: Communication, collaboration and coherence					
Communication	Continue issuing the Adaptation Finance Bulletin	Contribute to coherence in communication to Parties and other stakeholders in line with AC communication strategy	Contribute to issuing the Adaptation Finance Bulletin	see 2025	see 2025
	Prepare a bulletin or newsletter on adaptation action		Contribute content for the development of the bulletin or newsletter on adaptation action	Contribute to Adaptation Bulletin or newsletter	see 2026
			To provide recommendations to the AC on enhancing coherence with other constituted bodies regarding adaptation related data management and key digital assets	see 2025	see 2025
			Identify synergies and collaboration in awareness raising, outreach and information-sharing plans and activities of the members of the Taskforce	see 2025	see 2025
Collaboration and coherence	Contribute to the NAP Expo organized by the LEG	Contribute to the NAP Expo organized by the LEG	See above ('periodically update the online resource on navigating the landscape of support')	see 2025	see 2025
			Share information on Adaptation Finance Bulletin and Adaptation Action bulletin or newsletter with participants	see 2025	see 2025

## 4. Next steps

10. The AC, at AC 27, is invited to agree on the draft flexible workplan of the NAP TF for 2025–2027 and provide guidance to the NAP TF on its priority activities for 2025.

## Annex: Flexible workplan of the Adaptation Committee for 2025–2027

1. In preparing its flexible workplan for 2025–2027, the AC took into consideration its objective to promote the implementation of enhanced action on adaptation in a coherent manner under the Convention, inter alia, through its five functions:<sup>8</sup>

- a) Providing technical support and guidance to the Parties, respecting the country-driven approach, with a view to facilitating the implementation of adaptation activities;
- b) Strengthening, consolidating and enhancing the sharing of relevant information, knowledge, experience and good practices, at the local, national, regional and international level, taking into account, as appropriate, traditional knowledge and practices;
- c) Promoting synergy and strengthening engagement with national, regional and international organizations, centres and networks, in order to enhance the implementation of adaptation actions, in particular in developing country Parties;
- d) Providing information and recommendations, drawing on adaptation good practices, for consideration by the COP when providing guidance on means to incentivize the implementation of adaptation actions, including finance, technology and capacity-building and other ways to enable climate-resilient development and reduce vulnerability, including to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, as appropriate;
- e) Considering information communicated by Parties on their monitoring and review of adaptation actions, support provided and received, possible needs and gaps and other relevant information, including information communicated under the Convention, with a view to recommending what further actions may be required, as appropriate.

2. The AC will continue taking into consideration specific mandates assigned to it as well as the following cross-cutting mandates:

- a) All constituted bodies to continue to include in their regular reports information on progress towards integrating a **gender perspective** into their processes and enhance implementation of the gender action plan;<sup>9</sup>
- b) Relevant bodies under the Convention to take into account the **recommendations of the FWG** to the SBSTA on the engagement and input of Indigenous Peoples and local communities across the UNFCCC process;<sup>10</sup>
- c) Relevant work programmes and constituted bodies under the UNFCCC to consider how **to integrate and strengthen ocean-based action** within their existing mandates and workplans and to report on these activities within the existing reporting processes, as appropriate;<sup>11</sup>
- d) Relevant work programmes and constituted bodies under or serving the Paris Agreement to integrate **relevant outcomes of the first global stocktake** into planning their future work, in line with their mandates.<sup>12</sup>

3. The AC will continue to undertake its **regional work**, linking it to specific activities in the workplan, as appropriate. The workplan is flexible to enable the AC to take on new and emerging tasks, adjust the timing of activities and make revisions, as needed.

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<sup>8</sup> Decision [1/CP.16](#), para. 20.

<sup>9</sup> Decisions [3/CP.25](#), para. 12, and [24/CP.27](#), para. 17.

<sup>10</sup> Decision [16/CP.26](#), para. 2.

<sup>11</sup> Decision [1/CP.26](#), para. 60.

<sup>12</sup> Decision [1/CMA.5](#), para. 186.

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<b>Workstream 1</b>						
<b>Providing technical support and guidance to the Parties on adaptation, including on means of implementation</b>						
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 <sup>iii</sup>	Update the online resource	Update as needed	Update as needed	Operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, LEG and other constituted bodies, as appropriate
	<a href="#">2/CP.17</a> , 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 <sup>iv</sup> and the	To be decided	To be decided	To be decided	NAP task force, PCCB and other stakeholders to be decided

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Identifying gaps and needs of developing countries	<a href="#">9/CP.27</a> , paragraphs 7–8 Timing flexible	toolkit, <sup>v</sup> as appropriate  Continue identifying and addressing priority gaps and needs of developing countries related to the process to formulate and implement NAPs	Continue identifying and addressing priority gaps and needs	Continue identifying and addressing priority gaps and needs	Continue identifying and addressing priority gaps and needs	LEG
	<a href="#">9/CP.27</a> , paragraph 9 Timing flexible	Organize training for developing country Parties on addressing identified gaps and needs, which could be held in conjunction with the NAP Expo, the Adaptation Forum or other events	Organize training as required	Organize training as required	Organize training as required	LEG, PCCB and other stakeholders to be decided
Technical guidance and training materials	<a href="#">2/CMA.5</a> , paragraph 44 Timing not flexible	Support implementation of the United Arab Emirates Framework for Global Climate Resilience with technical guidance and training materials thereon	Finalize draft strategy paper on technical guidance and training materials to support implementation of the Framework <sup>vi</sup>			CGE, LEG, PCCB and other stakeholders, as appropriate
	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Continue to discuss with the Co-Chairs of IPCC Working Group II and the Technical Support Unit opportunities for collaboration, including in relation to relevant COP and CMA mandates	Collaborate as appropriate	Collaborate as appropriate	Collaborate as appropriate	Co-Chairs of IPCC Working Group II and representatives of the Technical Support Unit

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	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Conduct new thematic dialogues in conjunction with existing adaptation-related meetings	Decide on thematic area and conduct dialogue	Decide on thematic area and conduct dialogue	Decide on thematic area and conduct dialogue	Constituted bodies and United Nations agencies, as appropriate

**Workstream 2: Considering information provided by Parties on adaptation action and support to enhance overall adaptation progress**

Reporting	<a href="#">2/CMA.5</a> , paragraph 45 Timing flexible	Provide recommendations on how to improve reporting on adaptation action and progress	AC 27 to create an initial mapping of existing adaptation reporting requirements, guidelines and practices under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, including existing reporting guidelines for other relevant intergovernmental processes  AC 28 to include additional information in the mapping, including from the first biennial transparency reports and other relevant Party reports and information	Conduct follow-up work from the mapping of existing adaptation reporting requirements, guidelines and practices, as required	Conduct follow-up work as required	CGE and LEG
State of adaptation action by Parties	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Complete and regularly update the AC interactive portal of country profiles and inform Parties accordingly	Complete the portal and the country profiles and consider potential updates	Update the interactive portal as needed	Update the interactive portal as needed	All Parties
	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Produce a synthesis report on the state of adaptation	AC 27 to consider options for the synthesis report	Draft and complete synthesis report		To be decided



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		action by Parties				
Recognizing the adaptation efforts of developing country Parties	<a href="#">11/CMA.1</a> , paragraph 13 Timing not flexible	Provide guidance to the secretariat on the preparation of biennial synthesis reports in the context of recognizing the adaptation efforts of developing country Parties	AC 27 to consider a paper containing potential themes for the 2026 synthesis report and select a theme	Provide guidance to the secretariat on the preparation of the 2026 synthesis report	Agree on the theme for the 2028 synthesis report in the first half of the year	To be decided
Adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support	<a href="#">11/CMA.1</a> , paragraph 35 Timing flexible	Continue to compile existing methodologies for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support	Continue to compile existing methodologies as needed	Continue to compile existing methodologies as needed	Continue to compile existing methodologies as needed	LEG and SCF

### Workstream 3: Communication, collaboration and coherence

Communication	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Address issues identified in the 2023–2024 audience assessment survey <sup>vii</sup> and amend the AC communication strategy as appropriate	Amend and implement communication strategy	Implement communication strategy	Implement communication strategy	To be decided
	<a href="#">8/CP.27</a> , paragraph 2, and <a href="#">10/CMA.4</a> , paragraph 2 Timing flexible	Translate priority deliverables into other official United Nations languages, as needed	Translate priority deliverables	Translate priority deliverables	Translate priority deliverables	To be decided
	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Continue issuing the Adaptation Finance Bulletin	Prepare and disseminate two to four issues of the Bulletin	Prepare and disseminate two to four issues of the Bulletin	Prepare and disseminate two to four issues of the Bulletin	Other adaptation-related constituted bodies, and the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism
	AC previous workplan	Prepare a bulletin or	AC 27 to consider a	Prepare and disseminate	Prepare and disseminate	To be decided

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	Timing flexible	newsletter on adaptation action	concept note on the bulletin or newsletter on adaptation action	two issues of the bulletin or newsletter	two issues of the bulletin or newsletter	
NAP task force	AC previous workplan and underlying mandates Timing flexible	Agree and implement the NAP task force workplan for 2025–2027, which should be aligned with the AC workplan for 2025–2027	AC 27 to agree on NAP task force workplan for 2025–2027 Convene two meetings of the NAP task force	Convene two meetings of the NAP task force	Convene two meetings of the NAP task force	NAP task force and adaptation-related constituted bodies
Collaboration and coherence	AC practice Timing flexible	Contribute to the NAP Expo organized by the LEG	Contribute as appropriate	Contribute as appropriate	Contribute as appropriate	LEG
	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Consider an overview of new adaptation-related COP, CMA and subsidiary body mandates and updated workplans of adaptation-related constituted bodies	Consider an overview ahead of AC 27	Consider an overview ahead of AC 29	Consider an overview ahead of AC 31	Other adaptation-related constituted bodies
	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Update AC decision booklet <sup>viii</sup>	Update AC decision booklet after each session of the COP, the CMA and the subsidiary bodies	Update AC decision booklet after each session of the COP, the CMA and the subsidiary bodies	Update AC decision booklet after each session of the COP, the CMA and the subsidiary bodies	–
	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Invite conversations with other constituted bodies for operational planning	Invite conversations at AC 27 and as needed	Invite conversations at AC 29 and as needed	Invite conversations at AC 31 and as needed	Other adaptation-related constituted bodies
	AC practice Timing flexible	Participate, upon invitation and as appropriate, in meetings of expert groups and in events of other constituted	Participate as appropriate	Participate as appropriate	Participate as appropriate	Other adaptation-related constituted bodies

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		bodies or under workstreams under the Convention and the Paris Agreement				
	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Enhance strategic collaboration with external experts and organizations	AC 27 to consider a paper containing options for enhanced collaboration with external experts and organizations	Enhance collaboration as appropriate	Enhance collaboration as appropriate	To be decided
	AC previous workplan Timing flexible	Conduct an Adaptation Forum on the state of adaptation action by Parties	AC 27 to consider a draft concept note on the Forum, including the theme, timeline and potential collaboration partners AC 28 to discuss the participation of, and outreach to, collaboration partners and a steering committee with a view to holding the Forum in 2026	Convene the Forum	Follow up on the outcomes of the Forum as needed	LEG and other constituted bodies, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, United Nations organizations and other institutions, scientific organizations and observers
NWP	<a href="#">FCCC/SBSTA/2018/4</a> , paragraph 19 Timing flexible	Advise NWP partner organizations on areas of work that could benefit from knowledge support	AC 27 to provide advice to NWP partner organizations on areas of work that could benefit from knowledge support	Discuss further advice, if required, at the first AC meeting of the year	Discuss further advice, if required, at the first AC meeting of the year	–
<b>Workstream 4: Process-related work</b>						
Annual report	<a href="#">2/CP.17</a> , paragraph 96, and <a href="#">11/CMA.1</a> , paragraph 1 Timing not flexible	Report annually to the COP and the CMA, through the subsidiary bodies, including on AC activities and the performance of	Prepare an annual report before the sessions of the COP and the CMA	Prepare an annual report before the sessions of the COP and the CMA	Prepare an annual report before the sessions of the COP and the CMA	–

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		its functions, guidance, recommendations and other relevant information arising from its work				

<sup>i</sup> This column indicates the origin of the activity (mandate from the COP, the CMA or the subsidiary bodies, or continued work from previous AC workplan) and whether the timing is determined by a mandate or can remain flexible.

<sup>ii</sup> Adaptation-related constituted bodies include those relating to means of implementation.

<sup>iii</sup> See <https://unfccc.int/napsupport>.

<sup>iv</sup> AC. 2023. *Monitoring and evaluation of adaptation at the national and subnational levels: Technical paper by the Adaptation Committee*. Bonn: UNFCCC. Available at <https://unfccc.int/node/632792>.

<sup>v</sup> Beauchamp E, Leiter T, Pringle P, et al. 2024. *Toolkit for Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning for National Adaptation Plan Processes* Winnipeg, Canada: International Institute for Sustainable Development. Available at <https://unfccc.int/topics/adaptation-and-resilience/resources/publications/toolkit-MEL-for-NAP-processes>.

<sup>vi</sup> See AC document [AC26/STRAT/5](#).

<sup>vii</sup> See AC document [AC25/COMMS-PLAN/6D](#).

<sup>viii</sup> Available at <https://unfccc.int/documents/63743>.