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Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

Agenda item 1.1. Opening

- 1. The Co-Chair of the Accreditation Expert Panel (AEP), Ms. Angela Friedrich, opened the fourth meeting of the AEP.
- 2. The AEP noted the absence of two members, Ms. Adriana Guzmán Palacios and Ms. Verónica García de Solórzano, who were unable to attend the meeting and had provided appropriate justification for their absence.
- 3. The following table shows the attendance at the meeting. The names in bold print represent attendance at the meeting, and italics indicate that the member attended the meeting virtually.

| Co-Chairs | Members |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Ms. Angela Friedrich (Co-Chair) | Ms. Adriana Guzmán Palacios |
| Mr. Mkhuthazi Steleki (Co-Chair) | Ms. Anastasia Northland |
| | Mr. Anil Jauhri |
| | Mr. Shamiso Mtisi |
| | Ms. Verónica García de Solórzano |

Table Attendance

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

- 4. The AEP adopted the proposed agenda for the fourth meeting (AEP 004), with the addition of an agenda item on impartiality, as suggested by one of its members.
- 5. The AEP considered information provided by members and the Co-Chairs with respect to any potential conflict of interest. Statements on conflict of interest can be viewed on the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) website.¹

Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

Agenda item 2.1. Matters related to the Accreditation Expert Panel

6. The AEP took note of the update on the outcome of the fifteenth and sixteenth meetings of the Supervisory Body relevant to the work of the AEP.

Agenda item 2.2. Update on accreditation applications received

7. The AEP took note of the update from the secretariat on applications received from applicant entities for accreditation under the Article 6.4 Mechanism.

¹ Refer to <u>https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/bodies/constituted-bodies/article-64-supervisory-body/accreditation-expert-panel-aep/meetings</u>.

Agenda item 3. Rulings (case-specific matters)

- 8. The AEP considered five initial accreditation cases. The AEP's recommendation on these cases will be submitted to the Supervisory Body in confidence.
- 9. The AEP took note of the outcome of its e-consultations that were held in the past months for three applicant entities.
- 10. The AEP considered allowing the assessment team to conduct an additional round of desk review for one applicant entity.

Agenda item 4. Relations with forums and other stakeholders

- 11. The AEP interacted with accreditation assessment team leaders. The purpose of the interaction was to facilitate an exchange of views and share experiences on the implementation of the A6.4 mechanism, specifically aiming to calibrate and align the conduct of the accreditation assessments and application of the accreditation requirements.
- 12. The AEP expressed its gratitude for the hard work undertaken by the assessment team leaders and stated that it was looking forward to such productive interactions in the future.
- 13. The AEP took note that no interaction with the Chair of the Designated Operational Entities Coordination Forum was planned, as the Designated Operational Entities Coordination Forum has not yet been established under the Article 6.4 mechanism.

Agenda item 5. Other matters

14. No other issues were scheduled for this meeting.

Agenda item 6. Conclusion of the meeting

- 15. The AEP adopted the report of AEP 004. The report is available on the UNFCCC website.²
- 16. The Co-Chair of the AEP, Ms. Angela Friedrich, closed the meeting.
- 17. The proceedings of the open sessions of the meeting were broadcast to allow stakeholders to follow the discussion.³

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² Refer to <u>https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/bodies/constituted-bodies/article-64-supervisory-body/accreditation-expert-panel-aep/meetings</u>.

³ Refer to <u>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLBcZ22cUY9RJXzUwUSnJjBHI1UHUUKpPf.</u>

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