



**Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement**

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**Tools additional to and based on the informal notes contained in the annex to the conclusions of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement from the fifth part of its first session**

**Informal document by the Co-Chairs**

**A. Mandate**

1. The Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement (APA), in order to facilitate deliberations at APA 1.6, requested its Co-Chairs, with the assistance of, to the extent possible, the persons who facilitated work on the relevant matters at APA 1.5, to prepare, by 1 August 2018, tools that are additional to and based on the informal notes contained in the annex to the APA 1.5 conclusions,<sup>1</sup> including proposals for streamlining the outcome of the APA at APA 1.6 and examples of how Parties could further progress towards the development of an agreed basis for negotiations, taking account of the level of maturity and delicate balance achieved to date for individual items. The streamlining should not imply the insertion or deletion of substantive concepts or textual narratives.<sup>2</sup>

2. The APA noted that the tools referred to in paragraph 1 above would be prepared by the Co-Chairs under their own responsibility, and emphasized that at this stage in the negotiations it would be important to ensure that all options identified by Parties remain on the table, recalling the right for any Party to make submissions to be considered under the relevant agenda items.<sup>3</sup>

**B. Scope**

3. The addenda to this document contain the tools prepared in accordance with the mandate referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 above:

(a) Additional tool under agenda item 3, “Further guidance in relation to the mitigation section of decision 1/CP.21 on: (a) features of nationally determined contributions, as specified in paragraph 26; (b) information to facilitate clarity, transparency and understanding of nationally determined contributions, as specified in paragraph 28; and (c) accounting for Parties’ nationally determined contributions, as specified in paragraph 31”, prepared with the assistance of Mr. Sin Liang Cheah (Singapore) and Ms. Gertraud Wollansky (Austria);<sup>4</sup>

(b) Additional tool under agenda item 4, “Further guidance in relation to the adaptation communication, including, inter alia, as a component of nationally determined contributions, referred to in Article 7, paragraphs 10 and 11, of the Paris Agreement”, prepared with the assistance of Mr. Julio Cordano (Chile) and Ms. Beth Lavender (Canada);<sup>5</sup>

(c) Additional tool under agenda item 5, “Modalities, procedures and guidelines for the transparency framework for action and support referred to in Article 13 of the Paris Agreement”,

<sup>1</sup> See document FCCC/APA/2018/L.2/Add.1.

<sup>2</sup> FCCC/APA/2018/2, paragraph 21.

<sup>3</sup> FCCC/APA/2018/2, paragraph 22.

<sup>4</sup> APA1.6.Informal.1.Add.1.

<sup>5</sup> APA1.6.Informal.1.Add.2.

prepared with the assistance of Mr. Xiang Gao (China) and Mr. Andrew Rakestraw (United States of America);<sup>6</sup>

(d) Additional tool under agenda item 6, “Matters relating to the global stocktake referred to in Article 14 of the Paris Agreement: (a) identification of the sources of input for the global stocktake; and (b) development of the modalities of the global stocktake”, prepared with the assistance of Ms. Outi Honkatukia (Finland) and Mr. Xolisa Ngwadla (South Africa);<sup>7</sup>

(e) Additional tool under agenda item 7, “Modalities and procedures for the effective operation of the committee to facilitate implementation and promote compliance referred to in Article 15, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement”, prepared with the assistance of Ms. Janine Felson (Belize) and Mr. Peter Horne (Australia);<sup>8</sup>

(f) Additional tool under agenda sub-item 8(a), “Further matters related to implementation of the Paris Agreement: preparing for the convening of the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement”, addressing the matters relating to the Adaptation Fund, prepared with the assistance of Ms. María del Pilar Bueno (Argentina) and Mr. Pieter Terpstra (Netherlands);<sup>9</sup>

(g) Additional tool under agenda sub-item 8(a), “Further matters related to implementation of the Paris Agreement: preparing for the convening of the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement”, addressing the possible additional matters relating to the implementation of the Paris Agreement, prepared by the APA Co-Chairs.<sup>10</sup>

4. The Co-Chairs wish to emphasize that the tools are additional to and based on the respective informal notes contained in the annex to the APA 1.5 conclusions. The Co-Chairs have made every effort to ensure that all options identified by Parties remain on the table, that no new substantive concepts or textual narratives have been inserted and that no existing ones were deleted.

5. The tools were prepared under the responsibility of the Co-Chairs with the aim of facilitating work at APA 1.6, and their content may still be further deliberated by Parties. The tools do not in any way constitute an attempt to prejudge the outcome of Parties’ deliberations. Parties may express their views thereon at any time, including through submissions to be considered under the relevant agenda items.

## C. Approach

6. The approach to preparing each tool is presented and explained in the corresponding addendum, as appropriate. In all cases, the tools fully address the content of the informal notes contained in the annex to the APA 1.5 conclusions. Some of the tools include examples, presented in text boxes, which aim to show, in accordance with the guidance from the APA,<sup>11</sup> how Parties could further progress towards the development of an agreed basis for negotiations, taking account of the level of maturity and delicate balance achieved to date for individual items.

7. The approaches for the tools take into account the individual needs of each APA agenda item and seek to clarify as far as possible the different approaches taken by Parties. As a result, the degree of streamlining and the way examples and/or questions are introduced have been determined on a case-by-case basis. We have striven for as much consistency as possible, but also respected the approaches taken by the co-facilitators in their preparation of the informal notes at APA 1.5 and the way Parties sought to have their concepts and proposals reflected in the notes.

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<sup>6</sup> APA1.6.Informal.1.Add.3.

<sup>7</sup> APA1.6.Informal.1.Add.4.

<sup>8</sup> APA1.6.Informal.1.Add.5.

<sup>9</sup> APA1.6.Informal.1.Add.6.

<sup>10</sup> APA1.6.Informal.1.Add.7.

<sup>11</sup> As footnote 2 above.

**D. Possible action by the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement**

8. APA 1.6 may wish to consider the tools, in addition to the informal notes contained in the annex to the APA 1.5 conclusions, in its deliberations.

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