



## Standing Committee on Finance

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### Background paper on linkages with constituted bodies of the Convention and the Paris Agreement

#### *Expected actions by the Standing Committee on Finance*

The Standing Committee on Finance will be invited to:

- a) Consider activities to be undertaken by the SCF to enhance linkages and cooperation with other constituted bodies;
- b) Appoint and confirm focal points with various thematic areas of work.

## I. Possible actions for consideration by the Standing Committee on Finance

1. The Standing Committee on Finance (SCF) may wish to consider the overall approach for maintaining linkages and enhancing engagement with the UNFCCC constituted bodies and identify potential areas of enhanced cooperation. Current activities include:

- (a) Attendance of SCF focal points in meetings of other constituted bodies and reporting back to the SCF on possible linkages and collaboration;
- (b) Provision of inputs to other constituted bodies, drawing upon ongoing and previous relevant work of the SCF.

2. The SCF may wish to appoint focal points in 2026 for other constituted bodies and various thematic areas. See Table 1 for a list of focal points in 2025.

#### **List of current SCF members as focal points for constituted bodies and thematic areas in 2025**

<i>Constituted bodies and thematic areas</i>	<i>Focal points</i>
Adaptation-related matters, including the Adaptation Committee (AC) and Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG)	Apollonia Miola and Chandni Raina
Capacity-building-related matters, including the Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB)	Apollonia Miola and Hendrikje Reich
Indigenous People-related matters, including the Facilitative Working Group (FWG) of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform (LCIPP)	Brittany Young and Diego Pary

Loss and damage-related matters, including the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage (ExCom)	Brittany Young and Elena Pereira
Response measures-related matters, including the Katowice Committee of Experts on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures (KCI)	Apollonia Miola and Diann Black-Layne
Transparency-related matters, including the Consultative Group of Experts	Vicky Noens and Karima Oustadi
Technology-related matters, including the Technology Executive Committee (TEC) and Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN)	Clara Schultz and Diann Black-Layne
Mitigation-related matters, including the work of Article 6.4 Supervisory Body of the Paris Agreement, the work of the Executive Board of the Clean Development Mechanism, and the work of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee	Gabriela Blatter and Diann Black-Layne
Gender and youth-related matters	Brittany Young and Hendrikje Reich

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## II. Background

3. COP 17 decided that the SCF maintains linkages with the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) and the constituted bodies of the Convention.<sup>1</sup> COP 19 called on the SCF to further enhance its linkages with the SBI and the constituted bodies of the Convention.<sup>2</sup> COP 21 requested the SCF to continue to strengthen its engagement with all relevant stakeholders and bodies under the Convention.<sup>3</sup> In the context of the review of the functions of the SCF, COP 23 requested the SCF to further refine its approach to maintaining linkages with the subsidiary and constituted bodies according to resources available and in the context of its existing working modalities.<sup>4</sup>

4. COP 30 noted with appreciation the efforts of the SCF to strengthen its engagement with stakeholders in the context of its workplan, including UNFCCC constituted bodies and private sector and other entities outside the UNFCCC process. COP 30 encouraged the SCF to continue such efforts in 2026, including, as appropriate, by engaging with people and communities on the front line of climate change, such as Indigenous Peoples and local communities.<sup>5</sup>

### A. Collaboration with the Adaptation Committee and Least Developed Countries Expert Group

5. The SCF has actively engaged in adaptation-related matters, particularly on adaptation and adaptation finance and support on the National Adaptation Plans. Possible areas of collaboration in 2026 include:

(a) Further collaboration on the draft guidance to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism;

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<sup>1</sup> [Decision 2/CP.17](#), para. 121(b).

<sup>2</sup> [Decision 7/CP.19](#), para. 10.

<sup>3</sup> [Decision 6/CP.21](#), para. 2.

<sup>4</sup> [Decision 8/CP.23](#), para. 11.

<sup>5</sup> Decision -/CP.30, para. 3 (Matters relating to the SCF: [Advance unedited version](#)).

- (b) Participation in the meetings of the Adaptation Committee on 14 to 17 April 2026 and September 2026 (tbc);
- (c) Continued engagement in the AC - LEG - SCF joint working group on adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation support;<sup>6</sup>
- (d) Continued engagement in the AC taskforce on national adaptation plans (NAPs);
- (e) Continued engagement in the advisory group of Party experts for assessment of progress in the process to formulate and implement NAPs.<sup>7</sup>

## **B. Collaboration with the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage**

6. The SCF has engaged with the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage (WIM Excom) in relation to action and support relating to loss and damage. Possible areas of collaboration in 2026 include:

- (a) Further collaboration on the draft guidance to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism;
- (b) Participation in the meeting of the ExCom on 28 April to 1 May 2026 with the second meeting to be held in September/October 2026 (tbc) as well as continued participation in the work of the expert group on action and support of the ExCom in the context of its five-year rolling workplan.<sup>8</sup>

## **C. Collaboration with the Facilitative Working Group of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform**

7. Possible areas of collaboration in 2026 include:

- (a) Engagement under the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform (LCIPP) Baku Workplan (2025–2027): COP 29 adopted the LCIPP Baku Workplan<sup>9</sup>, structured around six collective approaches. Several of these approaches can provide possible collaboration with SCF:
  - (i) The Facilitative Working Group (FWG) will convene at least two regional or bi-regional gatherings per year to facilitate the exchange of knowledge, priorities and experiences among Indigenous Peoples and local communities. SCF may consider participating in selected gatherings to better understand region-specific climate finance needs, barriers and opportunities, including those related to access, readiness and locally led climate action;
  - (ii) The FWG will convene an annual Seventh-Generation Round Table, which may provide an opportunity for the SCF to engage in discussions on how financial mechanisms are conceptualized over time, including through the incorporation of intergenerational considerations and responsibilities into work related to effectiveness, coherence and long-term alignment.

<sup>6</sup> <https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/bodies/constituted-bodies/mandates-from-the-cma/methodologies-adequacy-and-effectiveness>.

<sup>7</sup> Decision 3/CP.26, para. 3(b).

<sup>8</sup> <https://unfccc.int/process/bodies/constituted-bodies/WIMExCom/Action-Support>.

<sup>9</sup> [FCCC/SBSTA/2024/1](https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/bodies/constituted-bodies/mandates-from-the-cma/methodologies-adequacy-and-effectiveness).

- (b) Participation in the meetings of the FWG of the LCIPP in June and November 2026, upon invitation.

## **D. Collaboration with the Paris Committee on Capacity-building**

8. The SCF has engaged with the Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB), including through participation in the informal coordination group (ICG) of the PCCB<sup>10</sup>. The 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> meetings of the ICG are scheduled in conjunction with the sixty-fourth sessions of the subsidiary bodies and COP 31.

9. Additionally, a series of virtual meetings and cross-body learning exchanges may also be organized this year to facilitate collective learning across the ICG membership. The dates for these events are yet to be confirmed.

10. SCF could also have an opportunity to engage in the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building where the PCCB elements of the PCCB workplan for 2025-2029<sup>11</sup> which will also be held in conjunction with the sixty-fourth sessions of the subsidiary bodies (SB 64).

11. Possible areas of collaboration in 2026 include working with the PCCB as they carry out activities aligned with their mandates and this year's focus on capacity-building for designing holistic investment strategies, bankable projects, and stakeholder engagement to support the implementation of NDCs and NAPs in developing countries. These activities include:

- (a) The 15<sup>th</sup> Durban Forum during SB 64. This event will bring to a close the PCCB 2025-2026 focus area topic on Capacity-building for holistic investment strategies, bankable projects, and stakeholder engagement to strengthen the implementation of NDCs and NAPs in developing countries and stakeholder engagement to strengthen the implementation of nationally determined contributions (NDCs) and NAPs in developing countries;

- (b) Global capacity-building dialogues during the second half of the Climate Week (tbc); and

- (c) A focus day on this topic at COP 31, hosted in the Capacity-building Hub.

## **E. Collaboration with the Technology Executive Committee and Climate Technology Centre and Network**

12. The SCF has engaged in technology-related matters, mainly through participation in the Advisory Board Meeting of the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN) to provide an overview of SCF activities relevant to finance and technology. Possible areas of collaboration in 2026 include:

- (a) Further collaboration with the Technology Executive Committee (TEC) on the draft guidance to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism;

- (b) Participation in the regular meeting of the TEC and the CTCN Advisory Board meetings with a view to engaging in discussions on matters relating to technology and finance, in line with the 2023–2027 rolling workplan of the TEC<sup>12</sup> and joint work programme of the

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<sup>10</sup> <https://unfccc.int/PCCB-ICG>.

<sup>11</sup> Available at <https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/bodies/constituted-bodies/paris-committee-on-capacity-building-pccb#Workplan>.

<sup>12</sup> Available at: [https://unfccc.int/ttclear/misc\\_/StaticFiles/gnwoerk\\_static/TEC\\_Documents\\_doc/d7954e3a9dd445fb883145acc3afa9ae/6778ff8cd9bf4fa2ba88a485da2523f0.pdf](https://unfccc.int/ttclear/misc_/StaticFiles/gnwoerk_static/TEC_Documents_doc/d7954e3a9dd445fb883145acc3afa9ae/6778ff8cd9bf4fa2ba88a485da2523f0.pdf).

UNFCCC Technology Mechanism for 2023–2027;<sup>13</sup> This includes attendance at TEC 32 (14–17 April), the 27th meeting of the CTCN Advisory Board (20–22 April), TEC 33 (15–17 September), and the 28th meeting of the CTCN Advisory Board (21–23 September);

(c) In addition, the TEC and the CTCN will convene a series of regional forums for National Designated Entities (NDEs) under the Technology Mechanism, which regularly address issues related to technology needs, implementation, and associated financing considerations. These include the Africa NDE Forum from 23 to 26 March 2026 in Tunisia, the Latin America and the Caribbean NDE Forum from 19 to 21 May 2026 in San Ignacio, Belize), as well as forthcoming forums for Asia (TBC, following the June sessions), Eastern Europe (TBC, September–October) and small island developing states (TBC).

## F. Gender and youth

13. COP 22 requested all constituted bodies to include in their regular reports information on progress towards integrating a gender perspective into their respective processes.<sup>14</sup> In response, the SCF explored ways to consider gender in implementing the 2025 workplan, including through integration of gender and climate finance information in the outline of the seventh Biennial Assessment and Overview of Climate Finance Flows, gender considerations at the SCF Forum on accelerating climate action and resilience through financing for sustainable food systems and agriculture, and consideration of gender balance in selecting speakers for its events and webinars held in 2025. The SCF focal point also participated in a dialogue among the UNFCCC constituted bodies on progress in integrating gender into their work and presented relevant work of the SCF.

14. Possible areas of collaboration in 2026 include:

- (a) Gender consideration in the technical reports to be prepared by the SCF;
- (b) Gender consideration at the SCF Forum on financing climate action in water systems and the ocean;
- (c) Continued consideration of gender balance for events to be held in 2025;
- (d) Participating in gender events that may be organized under the UNFCCC.

## G. Other possible areas of linkages

15. As part of fulfilling its mandate to maintaining linkages, the SCF may wish to:

- (a) Participate in relevant events organised during Climate Week to support enhanced visibility of its work and to strengthen linkages with stakeholders;
- (b) Update its strategic communications plan developed under the leadership of the SCF Co-Chairs in 2025;
- (c) Continue to support coherence, information-sharing and engagement under the Sharm el-Sheikh joint work, the SCF may wish to consider participating in the in-session workshop to be held at SB 64 in June on “progress, challenges and opportunities related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action on agriculture and food security, including the sharing of best practices,” under the Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security. The workshop is mandated to invite representatives of constituted bodies, and, given the relevance of the 2025

<sup>13</sup> Available at:

[https://unfccc.int/tclear/misc\\_/StaticFiles/gnwoerk\\_static/TEC\\_Documents\\_doc/6e7cae499c2b418e93d2d2a1bcca1a20/e9a1b6ffadbe47becb3f2634881df13f5.pdf](https://unfccc.int/tclear/misc_/StaticFiles/gnwoerk_static/TEC_Documents_doc/6e7cae499c2b418e93d2d2a1bcca1a20/e9a1b6ffadbe47becb3f2634881df13f5.pdf).

<sup>14</sup> Decision [21/CP.22](#), para. 14.

SCF Forum to this topic, participation by an SCF representative could support enhanced coherence and information exchange;

(d) Respond to the COP 30 and CMA 7 invitations for submissions from a wide variety of stakeholders, including constituted bodies, on views or inputs pertaining to thematic work under the UNFCCC, contained in the annex.

16. The SCF may wish to take note of other decisions from COP 30 and CMA 7 relevant for constituted bodies under the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement: constituted bodies are also invited to consider the good practice identified in the synthesis report<sup>15</sup> by the secretariat on progress in integrating gender perspective into the constituted body process;<sup>16</sup> enhance the implementation of the Belém gender action plan;<sup>17</sup> requested the Least Developed Countries Expert Group to compile from relevant reports, in collaboration with the Adaptation Committee and the SCF, an overview of climate finance flows and financial support provided by developed country Parties to developing country Parties for formulating and implementing national adaptation plans for inclusion in the 2026 report on progress in the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans;<sup>18</sup> consideration of the recommendations of the annual technical progress report<sup>19</sup> of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for 2025;<sup>20</sup> consideration of opportunities for streamlining the information provided in their reports for the global stocktake without compromising the quality and integrity of the information contained therein;<sup>21</sup> integrate just transition elements and outcomes of the work programme into their existing workplans to promote synergies and include in their regular reports information on progress in implementing related activities;<sup>22</sup> participate in the technical work on improving metadata and methodologies for the Belém Adaptation Indicator.<sup>23</sup>

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<sup>15</sup> [FCCC/CP/2025/6](#).

<sup>16</sup> Decision -/CP.30, para. 1 (Belém gender action plan).

<sup>17</sup> Decision -/CP.30, para. 7 (Belém gender action plan).

<sup>18</sup> Decision -/CP.30, para. 12 (National adaptation plans: [Advance unedited version](#)).

<sup>19</sup> [FCCC/SBI/2025/13](#).

<sup>20</sup> Decision -/CP.30, para. 2 (Annual technical progress report of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for 2025; [Advance unedited version](#)).

<sup>21</sup> Decision -/CMA.7, para. 18 (Global stocktake).

<sup>22</sup> Decision -/CMA.7, para. 16 (United Arab Emirates just transition work programme: [Advance unedited version](#)).

<sup>23</sup> -/CMA.7, para. 24. (Global Goal on Adaptation: [Advance unedited version](#)).

## Annex

### Invitation for submissions from the COP and the CMA to constituted bodies

<i>Decisions</i>	<i>Deadline of submission</i>
Invites Parties, the UNFCCC constituted bodies, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, international financial institutions, observers and other stakeholders, particularly from the private sector, to submit views on the organization of the Veredas Dialogue via the submission portal by 28 February, on an annual basis. <sup>a</sup>	28 February 2026
Invites Parties, observers and other non-Party stakeholders, constituted bodies under or serving the Convention and/or the Paris Agreement, and international organizations to submit views on experience, opportunities, challenges, barriers and needs as inputs to the United Arab Emirates dialogue via the submission portal by no later than three months prior to each dialogue; <sup>b</sup>	No later than three months prior to each dialogue (7 March 2026)
Invites Parties, Indigenous Peoples, local communities and stakeholders to submit via the submission portal by 30 September 2026 views on activities and thematic focuses for the workplan of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform for 2028–2031 for consideration by the Facilitative Working Group at its 16th meeting, to be held in 2026, and to submit via the submission portal by 1 November 2026 views on the impact of work under the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform, which will serve as input to the review of the Facilitative Working Group in 2027. <sup>c</sup>	30 September 2026 and 1 November 2026
Invites Parties, United Nations entities, the constituted bodies and relevant organizations to submit, in accordance with their respective mandates and priorities, views on progress, challenges and further work to be undertaken in implementing the Belém gender action plan via the submission portal by 23 February 2029 with a view to the submissions informing the review of the implementation of the Belém gender action plan; <sup>d</sup>	23 February 2029

<sup>a</sup> Decision -/CMA.7, para. 19 (Sharm el-Sheikh dialogue on the scope of Article 2, paragraph 1(c), of the Paris Agreement and its complementarity with Article 9 of the Paris Agreement: [Advance unedited version](#)).

<sup>b</sup> Decision -/CMA.7, para. 6 (Matters related to the global stocktake: [Advance unedited version](#)).

<sup>c</sup> Decision [14/CP.29](#), para. 19.

<sup>d</sup> Decision -/CP.30, para. 8 (Belém gender action plan: [Advance unedited version](#)).