



**Standing Committee on Finance**

22 September 2023

**Thirty-second meeting of the Standing Committee on Finance  
26–28 September 2023  
Geneva, Switzerland**

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

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

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

1. The SCF will be invited to take note of the updates from focal points of the SCF to other constituted bodies and thematic areas, focusing on linkages with the Adaptation Committee (AC), Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB) and Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN).

### **II. Background**

2. At the seventeenth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP), Parties decided that the SCF maintains linkages with the Subsidiary Body for Implementation and the constituted bodies of the Convention.<sup>1</sup> COP 27 welcomed the efforts of the SCF to continue to strengthen its engagement with stakeholders in the context of its workplan, including UNFCCC constituted bodies, private entities and other entities outside the UNFCCC, and encouraged the Committee to continue such efforts in 2023.

3. At SCF 30, the SCF appointed and reconfirmed focal points to represent the Committee, when engaging in the work of other constituted bodies and in relation to various thematic areas of work.<sup>2</sup>

### **III. Linkages with other constituted bodies**

#### **A. Adaptation Committee**

4. The AC was mandated by Parties to promote the implementation of adaptation action under the Convention in a coherent manner. In this context, the AC holds an annual dialogue with constituted bodies to discuss ways of further strengthening coherence and collaboration in addressing adaptation. The first dialogue took place in June 2022 during the SB sessions, focusing on support for adaptation.<sup>3</sup>

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

<sup>2</sup> The current list of focal points to constituted bodies and liaisons to thematic issues can be found here: <https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/Linkages.pdf>.

<sup>3</sup> More information on the dialogue can be found at: [https://unfccc.int/event/AC\\_dialogue1](https://unfccc.int/event/AC_dialogue1).

5. The SCF received an invitation on 21 September 2023 to join the second part of the dialogue, scheduled to take place on 11 October 2023 during 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Adaptation Committee. Further details of the dialogue will be circulated in due course.

## **B. Paris Committee on Capacity-building**

6. In line with the workplan of the PCCB for 2021–2024, the Committee established an informal coordination group (ICG) for capacity-building under the Convention and the Paris Agreement to coordinate climate change-related capacity-building plans and activities.

7. The ICG is developing electronic booklets on capacity-building related products and activities of the bodies, entities and processes represented in the ICG, including on accessing, mobilizing and scaling up climate finance. The draft booklet on climate finance access will be shared with the SCF members serving in the ICG in October 2023 for comments, and the booklet will be published prior to COP 28.

## **C. Climate Technology Centre and Network**

8. The CTCN Advisory Board holds biannual meetings, to which the SCF is invited to provide an update of its work. On 20 September 2023, the Board extended an invitation to the SCF to attend its 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting and provide an update of the Committee's work, under agenda item 17: coordination with other UNFCCC Constituted Bodies.<sup>4</sup> Due to the overlap of meeting dates of the Board and the Committee, the SCF will share with the Board an update in written form, highlighting activities undertaken by the SCF between March and September 2023 and information relevant to climate finance and technology.

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<sup>4</sup> Provisional agenda of the Board can be found at: <https://www.ctc-n.org/sites/www.ctc-n.org/files/AB2023.22.3.1 CTCN AB Meeting Provisional annotated agendaUPDATEDSep20.pdf>.