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SBI 63 agenda item 4(d)

Reporting from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention: Term, composition, terms of reference and report of the Consultative Group of Experts Version 12/11/2025 7:00

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) welcomed the oral report¹ of the Consultative Group of Experts (CGE) at this session on its progress in implementing its workplan for 2025.²
2. The SBI acknowledged the achievements³ of and expressed appreciation to the CGE for its progress in implementing its workplan for 2025 and for continuing to provide technical advice and support to developing country Parties.
3. The SBI recognized that the CGE plays an important role in facilitating the provision of technical advice and support to developing country Parties and in facilitating improved reporting over time, as applicable, in relation to the preparation and submission of national communications, biennial update reports and biennial transparency reports.
4. The SBI noted with concern that, owing to limited financial resources available, the CGE was unable to hold its second meeting in 2025 and therefore was also unable to prepare its 2025 progress report for consideration at this session.
5. The SBI underlined the importance of having adequate financial resources available to support the full implementation of the activities of the CGE.
6. The SBI noted that the CGE continued to collaborate, to the extent possible, with expert groups and other constituted bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, as well as with relevant multilateral programmes and organizations, in implementing its workplan for 2025, while avoiding duplication of work. The SBI encouraged the continuation of such collaboration, as appropriate, in implementing its workplan in 2026.
7. The SBI expressed gratitude to the Governments of Brazil, Egypt, Fiji, Grenada, Nigeria, Peru, Senegal, Seychelles and Türkiye for hosting the subregional hands-on training workshops organized by the CGE in 2025⁴ and expressed appreciation to the partners of the CGE that collaborated with the CGE on the delivery of the workshops.⁵
8. The SBI also expressed appreciation to the Parties that provided contributed financial contributions resources to support the work of the CGE in 2025.
9. The SBI noted with concern the number of vacancies in the CGE membership and urged Parties to submit nominations as soon as possible.
10. [The SBI continued consideration of the extension of the term of the CGE after 2026, the composition of the CGE and its terms of reference, taking into account the needs of developing countries for capacity-building in relation to reporting under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, and recommended a draft decision on this matter for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session (November 2025) (for the text of the draft decision, see document FCCC/SBI/2025/L.X/Add.X).]

[Draft COP decision on the term, composition and terms of reference of the Consultative Group of Experts

Placeholder for the draft decision text

¹ See <https://unfccc.int/documents/653479>.

² Available at <https://unfccc.int/documents/645990>.

³ <https://unfccc.int/documents/653479>.

⁴ See document FCCC/SBI/2025/16.

⁵ A list of the partners can be found in the table in document FCCC/SBI/2025/16.