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## Conference of the Parties

Twenty-fourth session

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Item 2(c) of the provisional agenda

**Organizational matters**

**Adoption of the agenda**

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## II. Proposed organization of the session: overview

### (a) Scenario for the launch of work in all bodies

1. On Sunday, 2 December 2018,<sup>1</sup> the President of the Conference of the Parties (COP) at its twenty-third session will convene the first plenary meeting of COP 24 and propose the election of the President of COP 24, who will also serve as the President of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) at its fourteenth session and the President of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) at the third part of its first session. The COP will then take up the organizational and substantive items on its provisional agenda, including referring items on its agenda to the subsidiary bodies, as appropriate. The first plenary meeting of the COP will then be adjourned. The first plenary meeting of CMP 14 will then be convened to take up the organizational and substantive items on its provisional agenda. The first plenary meeting of the CMP will then be adjourned. The first plenary meeting of CMA 1.3 will then be convened to take up the organizational items on its provisional agenda. The meeting will then be adjourned. The CMA will consider the outcomes of the Paris Agreement work programme (PAWP) during the second week of the conference.
2. The following sessions of the subsidiary bodies have been scheduled in conjunction with COP 24, CMP 14 and CMA 1.3:
  - (a) Forty-ninth session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA);
  - (b) Forty-ninth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI);
  - (c) Seventh part of the first session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement (APA).
3. A joint plenary meeting of all six bodies will be convened on Monday, 3 December, upon conclusion of the first part of the high-level segment (see paras. 100–106 below), to hear statements from groups of Parties and observer organizations. It is envisaged that these statements will be concise.
4. During the conference, meetings will be organized in line with the recommendations of the SBI<sup>2</sup> so as to ensure the observance of clear and effective working practices agreed to by all Parties.
5. The principles of openness, transparency and inclusiveness will guide the organization of work leading up to and during the conference. To this end, efforts will continue, as at recent conferences, to demonstrate these principles through the use of informal plenary meetings, the enhanced availability of electronic documentation, timely meeting announcements and the broadcasting of meeting information on closed-circuit television, the UNFCCC website, the UNFCCC Negotiator app and other digital and social media.
6. Further information on the launch of work will be provided as it becomes available.

### (b) High-level segment

7. On 22 March 2018, the President of the Republic of Poland extended an invitation to Heads of State and Government to attend the official opening of COP 24 on Monday, 3 December. This will be the first part of the high-level segment, during which Heads of State and Government can make statements. The high-level segment will be resumed during the second week of the conference to hear statements from those Parties that did not deliver national statements on Monday, 3 December (see paras. 100–106 below).

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<sup>1</sup> At its meeting of 5 September in Bangkok, the Bureau endorsed the proposal by the President Designate of COP 24 to advance the start of COP 24 to Sunday, 2 December.

<sup>2</sup> FCCC/SBI/2014/8, paragraphs 218–221.

8. Further information on the organization of the high-level segment will be provided as it becomes available.

(c) Mandated and other events

9. The following events were mandated by the COP for this session:

(a) The third biennial ministerial high-level dialogue on climate finance.<sup>3</sup> This event will be convened in the afternoon of Monday, 10 December. In line with the invitation of the COP, the dialogue will pay particular attention to the issue of enhancing access to climate finance. The Standing Committee on Finance (SCF) will present the findings of the 2018 biennial assessment and overview of climate finance flows.<sup>4</sup>

(b) The stocktake on pre-2020 implementation and ambition.<sup>5</sup> The stocktake will consider, inter alia, the inputs of UNFCCC bodies and of operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, the mitigation efforts of Parties in the pre-2020 period, the provision of support in the pre-2020 period, and the work of the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action. The stocktake will be convened in two parts: a technical part and a high-level part. The technical part will be held in the first week and will consider efforts of UNFCCC bodies, of operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, and of the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action on pre-2020 implementation and ambition. The high-level part will be convened in the morning of Monday, 10 December, and will provide an opportunity for ministers to reflect on pre-2020 implementation and ambition.<sup>6</sup>

(c) The Talanoa Dialogue.<sup>7</sup> COP 24 will mark the completion of the Dialogue by wrapping up its preparatory phase<sup>8</sup> and conducting the political phase, which will include ministerial round tables. The objective of the Dialogue is to take stock of the collective efforts of Parties in relation to progress towards the long-term goal referred to in Article 4, paragraph 1, of the Paris Agreement and inform the preparation of nationally determined contributions. The political phase of the Talanoa Dialogue will take place on Tuesday, 11 December, and Wednesday 12 December.

(d) A high-level event on climate action.<sup>9</sup> This event will be convened by the high-level champions of global climate action on Tuesday, 4 December, and will aim to: strengthen high-level engagement in the implementation of policy options and climate action; provide an opportunity for announcing and recognizing new or strengthened voluntary efforts, initiatives and coalitions; take stock of related progress and provide a meaningful opportunity for the effective high-level engagement of dignitaries of Parties, international organizations, international cooperative initiatives and non-Party stakeholders. The high-level champions will report on their activities in 2018.

10. Many other events will also be organized at the conference. Further information on events will be provided on the UNFCCC website as it becomes available.

### III. Annotations to the provisional agenda

#### 1. Opening of the session

11. COP 24 will be opened by the President of COP 23, Mr. Frank Bainimarama (Fiji).

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<sup>3</sup> Decision 3/CP.19, paragraph 13, and decision 5/CP.21, paragraphs 4 and 5.

<sup>4</sup> Further information will be available at <https://unfccc.int/topics/climate-finance/workstreams/long-term-climate-finance-1tf>.

<sup>5</sup> Decision 1/CP.23, paragraph 17.

<sup>6</sup> See document FCCC/CP/2018/7. Further information is available at <https://unfccc.int/topics/pre-2020>.

<sup>7</sup> Decision 1/CP.23, paragraph 10 and annex II.

<sup>8</sup> The synthesis report on the preparatory phase will be made available on the 2018 Talanoa Dialogue platform at <https://unfccc.int/topics/2018-talanoa-dialogue-platform>.

<sup>9</sup> Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 120.

## 2. Organizational matters

### (a) Election of the President of the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-fourth session

12. *Background:* The President of COP 23 will call for the election of Mr. Michał Kurtyka, Secretary of State in the Ministry of Environment of Poland, as President of COP 24. In accordance with the principle of rotation among the regional groups, the President of COP 24 is to be elected from the Eastern European States. Mr. Kurtyka will also serve as President of CMP 14 and CMA 1.3.

### (b) Adoption of the rules of procedure

13. *Background:* At COP 23, Parties decided to continue to apply the draft rules of procedure contained in document FCCC/CP/1996/2, with the exception of rule 42, and agreed that the President would continue consultations during the intersessional period and report back to COP 24 in the event of any new developments.

14. *Action:* The COP may wish to decide to continue applying the draft rules of procedure and to invite the President of COP 24 to undertake consultations so as to try to achieve adoption of the rules.

FCCC/CP/1996/2	<i>Organizational matters: adoption of the rules of procedure. Note by the secretariat</i>
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### (c) Adoption of the agenda

15. *Background:* The secretariat, in agreement with the President of COP 23, has drafted the provisional agenda for COP 24, after consultations with the Bureau and Parties.

16. *Action:* The COP will be invited to adopt its agenda.

FCCC/CP/2018/1	<i>Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
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### (d) Election of officers other than the President

17. *Background:* At the request of the President of COP 23, consultations on nominations to the Bureau of COP 24, CMP 14 and CMA 1.3 were initiated during the sessions of the subsidiary bodies held in Bonn in April–May 2018 with the chairs and coordinators of the regional groups and constituencies, who were informed that the deadline for the submission of nominations is 8 December 2018.

18. Parties are invited to recall decision 3/CP.23 and give active consideration to the nomination of women for elective posts in bodies established under the Convention.

19. *Action:* The COP will be invited to elect the members of the Bureau of COP 24, CMP 14 and CMA 1.3 at the earliest opportunity following the completion of consultations.

<i>Further information</i>	<a href="http://www.unfccc.int/6558.php">www.unfccc.int/6558.php</a>
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### (e) Admission of organizations as observers

20. *Background:* The COP will have before it document FCCC/CP/2018/2 containing the list of organizations seeking admission as observers, following review and consideration by the Bureau of COP 24, CMP 14 and CMA 1.3.<sup>10</sup>

21. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the list and to admit the organizations as observers.

<sup>10</sup> In accordance with decisions 36/CMP.1 and 2/CMA.1, a single process will be used for the admission of observer organizations to sessions of the COP, the CMP and the CMA, with decisions on the admission of observer organizations being taken by the COP.

FCCC/CP/2018/2	<i>Admission of observers: organizations applying for admission as observers. Note by the secretariat</i>
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(f) Organization of work, including for the sessions of the subsidiary bodies

22. *Action:* The COP will be invited to agree upon the organization of the work of the session (see paras. 1–9 above) and the referral of items to the SBSTA and the SBI as indicated under the relevant agenda items.

23. Guided by the principles of openness, transparency and inclusiveness, the COP will be invited to organize its work in a manner that ensures that the mandates for COP 24 are addressed while being flexible enough to respond to changing circumstances and new developments in the negotiations.

FCCC/CP/2018/1	<i>Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/KP/CMP/2018/1	<i>Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/PA/CMA/2018/1	<i>Agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/SBSTA/2018/7	<i>Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/SBI/2018/12	<i>Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/APA/2018/5	<i>Agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>

(g) Dates and venues of future sessions

24. *Background:* In keeping with the principle of rotation among the regional groups, the President of COP 25 will come from the Latin American and Caribbean States and the President of COP 26 from the Western European and other States. COP 23 invited Parties to undertake further consultations on the hosting of COP 25 and 26.<sup>11</sup> In addition, it requested SBI 48 to consider the issue of the host of those sessions and to recommend a draft decision on the matter for consideration and adoption at COP 24.<sup>12</sup>

25. SBI 48.1 recommended the dates for the sessional periods in 2023.<sup>13</sup>

26. *Action:* The COP must decide on the host country for COP 25 and the dates for the sessional periods in 2023. It may wish to invite interested Parties to present offers to host COP 26 and to take any further action it deems appropriate.

(h) Adoption of the report on credentials

27. *Background:* According to rule 19 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, the credentials of representatives of Parties, as well as the names of alternate representatives and advisers, shall be submitted to the secretariat not later than 24 hours after the opening of the session. Any later change in the composition of delegations shall also be submitted to the secretariat. The credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs or, in the case of a regional economic integration organization, by the competent authority. The Bureau will examine the credentials and submit its report on credentials for adoption by the COP (see rule 20 of the draft rules of procedure). Representatives shall be entitled to participate provisionally in the session, pending a decision by the COP to accept their credentials (see rule 21 of the draft rules of procedure). Only Parties with valid credentials would be able to participate in the adoption of amendments to

<sup>11</sup> Decision 22/CP.23, paragraphs 6 and 9.

<sup>12</sup> Decision 22/CP.23, paragraphs 7 and 10.

<sup>13</sup> FCCC/SBI/2018/9, paragraph 139.

the Convention, a protocol or another legal instrument. The COP will have before it for adoption the report on credentials, to be submitted by the Bureau.

28. *Action:* The COP will be invited to adopt the report on credentials of the representatives of Parties attending COP 24. Representatives may participate provisionally, pending this action.

### 3. Reports of the subsidiary bodies

#### (a) Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice

29. *Background:* The Chair of the SBSTA will report, inter alia, on any recommendations of draft decisions and conclusions for consideration and adoption at COP 24 arising from the work conducted at SBSTA 48 and 49 and on any other issues that have been mandated for consideration by the SBSTA.

30. The Chair of the SBSTA will also report on any recommendations of draft decisions and conclusions arising from the work conducted by the SBSTA under the PAWP.

31. *Action:* The COP will be invited to take note of the progress in the work of the SBSTA in 2018 and to consider the recommended draft decisions and conclusions for adoption. The COP will also be invited to forward the outcomes of the work conducted by the SBSTA under the PAWP to the CMA for consideration and adoption.

<i>FCCC/SBSTA/2018/4</i>	<i>Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice on the first part of its forty-eighth session, held in Bonn from 30 April to 10 May 2018</i>
<i>FCCC/SBSTA/2018/6</i>	<i>Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice on the second part of its forty-eighth session, held in Bangkok from 4 to 9 September 2018</i>

#### (b) Report of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation

32. *Background:* The Chair of the SBI will report, inter alia, on any recommendations of draft decisions and conclusions for consideration and adoption at COP 24 arising from the work conducted at SBI 48 and 49 and on any other issues that have been mandated for consideration by the SBI. SBI 48.1 recommended draft decisions and conclusions for consideration and adoption by the COP.

33. The Chair of the SBI will also report on any recommendations of draft decisions and conclusions arising from the work conducted by the SBI under the PAWP.

34. *Action:* The COP will be invited to take note of the progress in the work of the SBI in 2018 and to consider the recommended draft decisions and conclusions for adoption. The COP will also be invited to forward the outcomes of the work conducted by the SBI under the PAWP to the CMA for consideration and adoption.

<i>FCCC/SBI/2018/9 and Add.1</i>	<i>Report of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation on the first part of its forty-eighth session, held in Bonn from 30 April to 10 May 2018</i>
<i>FCCC/SBI/2018/11</i>	<i>Report of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation on the second part of its forty-eighth session, held in Bangkok from 4 to 9 September 2018</i>

#### (c) Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement

35. *Background:* COP 21 established the APA to prepare for the entry into force of the Paris Agreement and for the convening of CMA 1. The Co-Chairs of the APA will report on any recommendations of draft decisions and conclusions arising from the work conducted at the first session of the APA.

36. *Action:* The COP will be invited to forward the outcomes of the work of the APA to the CMA for consideration and adoption.

<i>FCCC/APA/2018/2</i>	<i>Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement on the fifth part of its first session, held in Bonn from 30 April to 10 May 2018</i>
<i>FCCC/APA/2018/4</i>	<i>Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement on the sixth part of its first session, held in Bangkok from 4 to 9 September 2018</i>

**4. Preparations for the implementation of the Paris Agreement and the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement**

37. *Background:* COP 21 decided to oversee the implementation of the work programme resulting from the relevant requests contained in decision 1/CP.21.<sup>14</sup> COP 22 took note of the invitation of the CMA<sup>15</sup> to continue to oversee the implementation of the PAWP and decided that the COP would conclude the PAWP as soon as possible and forward the outcomes for consideration and adoption at CMA 1.3 at the latest.<sup>16</sup>

38. COP 23 welcomed progress in the implementation of the PAWP and confirmed the firm determination of the COP to oversee and accelerate its completion by COP 24 and to forward the outcomes for consideration and adoption at CMA 1.3.<sup>17</sup>

39. *Action:* The COP will be invited to receive the reports from the subsidiary bodies on their consideration of PAWP-related issues and to forward the outcomes for consideration and adoption at CMA 1.3.

<i>FCCC/SBSTA/2018/4</i>	<i>Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice on the first part of its forty-eighth session, held in Bonn from 30 April to 10 May 2018</i>
<i>FCCC/SBSTA/2018/6</i>	<i>Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice on the second part of its forty-eighth session, held in Bangkok from 4 to 9 September 2018</i>
<i>FCCC/SBI/2018/9 and Add.1</i>	<i>Report of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation on the first part of its forty-eighth session, held in Bonn from 30 April to 10 May 2018</i>
<i>FCCC/SBI/2018/11</i>	<i>Report of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation on the second part of its forty-eighth session, held in Bangkok from 4 to 9 September 2018</i>
<i>FCCC/APA/2018/2</i>	<i>Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement on the fifth part of its first session, held in Bonn from 30 April to 10 May 2018</i>
<i>FCCC/APA/2018/4</i>	<i>Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement on the sixth part of its first session, held in Bangkok from 4 to 9 September 2018</i>

**5. Consideration of proposals by Parties for amendments to the Convention under Article 15**

40. *Background:* Article 15 of the Convention contains procedures for amending the Convention. In accordance with this Article, Parties submitted the following proposals:

<sup>14</sup> Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 9.

<sup>15</sup> Decision 1/CMA.1, paragraph 5.

<sup>16</sup> Decisions 1/CP.22, paragraphs 7 and 12.

<sup>17</sup> Decision 1/CP.23, paragraphs 1–9.



(a) Proposal from the Russian Federation to amend Article 4, paragraph 2(f), of the Convention

41. *Background:* By a letter dated 24 May 2011, the Russian Federation transmitted to the secretariat the text of a proposal for an amendment to Article 4, paragraph 2(f), of the Convention. The secretariat communicated the proposal to Parties and signatories to the Convention six months before COP 17 and sent it for information to the Depositary on 22 June 2011.

42. In accordance with rules 10(c) and 16 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, the matter was included on the agendas for COP 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22. COP 22 agreed that this matter would be included on the provisional agenda for COP 23, noting the understanding that the sub-item would be held in abeyance at that session.<sup>18</sup> Accordingly, the sub-item was held in abeyance at COP 23.<sup>19</sup>

43. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the proposal and to take any action it deems appropriate.

<i>FCCC/CP/2011/5</i>	<i>Proposal from the Russian Federation to amend Article 4, paragraph 2(f), of the Convention. Note by the secretariat</i>
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(b) Proposal from Papua New Guinea and Mexico to amend Articles 7 and 18 of the Convention

44. *Background:* By a letter dated 26 May 2011, Papua New Guinea and Mexico transmitted to the secretariat the text of a proposal for amendments to Articles 7 and 18 of the Convention. The secretariat communicated the proposal to Parties and signatories to the Convention six months before COP 17 and sent it for information to the Depositary on 22 June 2011. At COP 17, the President noted that a revised proposal had been received.<sup>20</sup>

45. In accordance with rules 10(c) and 16 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, the matter was included on the agendas for COP 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22. COP 23 decided that the matter would be included on the provisional agenda for COP 24, again in accordance with rules 10(c) and 16.<sup>21</sup>

46. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the proposal and to take any action it deems appropriate.

<i>FCCC/CP/2011/4/Rev.1</i>	<i>Revised proposal from Papua New Guinea and Mexico to amend Articles 7 and 18 of the Convention. Note by the secretariat</i>
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(c) Proposal from Turkey to delete the name of Turkey from the list in Annex I to the Convention

47. *Background:* By a letter dated 31 May 2018, Turkey transmitted to the secretariat the text of a proposal for an amendment to delete the name of Turkey from the list in Annex I to the Convention. The secretariat communicated the proposal to Parties and signatories to the Convention six months before COP 24 and sent it for information to the Depositary on 12 June 2018.

48. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the proposal and to take any action it deems appropriate.

<i>FCCC/CP/2018/INF.2</i>	<i>Proposal from Turkey to amend the list in Annex I to the Convention by deleting the name of Turkey</i>
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<sup>18</sup> FCCC/CP/2016/10, paragraph 72.

<sup>19</sup> FCCC/CP/2017/11, paragraph 10.

<sup>20</sup> FCCC/CP/2011/4/Rev.1.

<sup>21</sup> FCCC/CP/2017/11, paragraph 74.

## 6. Report of the Adaptation Committee

49. *Background:* The Adaptation Committee reports annually to the COP through the subsidiary bodies.<sup>22</sup>

50. *Action:* The COP will be invited to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBSTA and the SBI. The COP will also be invited to elect members of the Adaptation Committee.

*FCCC/SB/2018/3*

*Report of the Adaptation Committee*

*Further information*

[www.unfccc.int/6053](http://www.unfccc.int/6053) and [www.unfccc.int/6558.php](http://www.unfccc.int/6558.php)

## 7. Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts

51. *Background:* COP 19 established the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts, including extreme events and slow onset events, in developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change.<sup>23</sup>

52. COP 19 also established an executive committee to guide the implementation of the functions of the Warsaw International Mechanism.<sup>24</sup> COP 19 and 20 requested the Executive Committee to report annually to the COP through the subsidiary bodies and to make recommendations, as appropriate.<sup>25</sup>

53. COP 21 adopted the Paris Agreement, which states in its Article 8, paragraph 2, that the Warsaw International Mechanism shall be subject to the authority and guidance of the CMA and may be enhanced and strengthened as determined by the CMA.<sup>26</sup>

54. The secretariat received correspondence from the Chairs of the Group of 77 and China, the African Group and the Alliance of Small Island States requesting that this item be retained on the agenda for COP 24, which would enable the COP to consider the matter of its authority over and guidance to the Warsaw International Mechanism, including its Executive Committee.

55. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the matter of its authority over and guidance to the Warsaw International Mechanism, including its Executive Committee, and to take any action it deems appropriate.

## 8. Development and transfer of technologies and implementation of the Technology Mechanism

### (a) Joint annual report of the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network

56. *Background:* COP 16 decided that the Technology Executive Committee (TEC) and the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN) shall report to the COP, through the subsidiary bodies, on their respective activities and the performance of their respective functions.<sup>27</sup>

57. *Action:* The COP will be invited to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBSTA and the SBI. The COP will also be invited to elect members of the Advisory Board of the CTCN and the TEC.

<sup>22</sup> Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 96. See documents FCCC/SBSTA/2018/7 and FCCC/SBI/2018/12 for further details.

<sup>23</sup> Decision 2/CP.19, paragraph 1.

<sup>24</sup> Decision 2/CP.19, paragraph 2.

<sup>25</sup> Decisions 2/CP.19, paragraph 3, and 2/CP.20, paragraph 4.

<sup>26</sup> See also decisions 1/CP.22, paragraph 7, and 1/CMA.1, paragraph 5.

<sup>27</sup> Decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 126.

<i>FCCC/SB/2018/2</i>	<i>Joint annual report of the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network for 2018</i>
<i>Further information</i>	<a href="http://www.unfccc.int/ttclear/">www.unfccc.int/ttclear/</a> and <a href="http://www.unfccc.int/6558.php">www.unfccc.int/6558.php</a>

(b) Linkages between the Technology Mechanism and the Financial Mechanism of the Convention

58. *Background:* The COP agreed to further elaborate, at COP 20, the linkages between the Technology Mechanism and the Financial Mechanism of the Convention, taking into consideration the recommendations of the Board of the Green Climate Fund (GCF) developed in accordance with decision 3/CP.17, paragraph 17, and those of the TEC developed in accordance with decision 4/CP.17, paragraph 6.<sup>28</sup>

59. COP 22 invited the TEC, the CTCN and the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism to provide information on their actions in strengthening the linkages between the Technology Mechanism and the Financial Mechanism in their annual reports to the COP for guidance on further actions if needed.<sup>29</sup> Furthermore, COP 22 agreed that consideration of this matter would continue at COP 24.<sup>30</sup>

60. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the information referred to in paragraph 59 above and to take any action it deems appropriate.

<i>FCCC/SB/2018/2</i>	<i>Joint annual report of the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network for 2018</i>
<i>FCCC/CP/2018/5</i>	<i>Report of the Green Climate Fund to the Conference of the Parties. Note by the secretariat</i>
<i>FCCC/CP/2018/6</i>	<i>Report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties. Note by the secretariat</i>
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<i>FCCC/SB/2017/3</i>	<i>Joint annual report of the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network for 2017</i>
<i>FCCC/CP/2017/7</i>	<i>Report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties. Note by the secretariat</i>
<i>FCCC/CP/2017/5</i>	<i>Report of the Green Climate Fund to the Conference of the Parties. Note by the secretariat</i>
<i>Further information</i>	<a href="http://www.unfccc.int/ttclear/">www.unfccc.int/ttclear/</a>

**9. Second review of the adequacy of Article 4, paragraph 2(a) and (b), of the Convention**

61. *Background:* Article 4, paragraph 2(d), of the Convention provides that a second review of the adequacy of Article 4, paragraph 2(a) and (b), shall take place not later than 31 December 1998. The COP 4 President informed Parties that it had proven impossible to reach any agreed conclusions or decisions on the matter. During the consideration of the provisional agenda for COP 5, the Group of 77 and China proposed amending the title of the item to read “Review of the adequacy of implementation of Article 4, paragraph 2(a) and (b), of the Convention”. There was no agreement on this and the COP adopted the agenda for that session with the item held in abeyance. The item was included on the provisional agendas for

<sup>28</sup> Decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 62.

<sup>29</sup> Decision 14/CP.22, paragraph 9.

<sup>30</sup> Decision 14/CP.22, paragraph 10.

COP 6 up to and including COP 12, with a footnote reflecting the amendment proposed by the Group of 77 and China. COP 13, acting on a proposal by the President, decided to invite the Executive Secretary to reflect on the situation in the light of developments at that session and come forward with proposals to be considered at SBI 28. On a proposal by the President, and on the basis of the recommendation of the SBI, it was decided at COP 14 to defer consideration of the item to COP 16, which, acting on a proposal by the President, deferred consideration of the item, pursuant to rule 13 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, to COP 17. At COP 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23, the agenda was adopted with the item held in abeyance and the President undertook consultations on the matter and reported back to Parties on the outcome of the consultations. In accordance with rule 16 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, this item will be considered at COP 24.

62. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider this item and to take any action it deems appropriate.

## 10. Matters relating to finance

### (a) Long-term climate finance

63. *Background:* COP 20 requested the secretariat to organize annual in-session workshops through to 2020 and to prepare a summary report on the workshops for annual consideration by the COP and at the biennial high-level ministerial dialogue on climate finance.<sup>31</sup> COP 22 decided that in 2017 and 2018 the in-session workshops would, with a view to scaling up climate finance for mitigation and adaptation, focus on experience and lessons learned in relation to:

(a) Articulating and translating needs identified in country-driven processes into projects and programmes;

(b) Roles and policies and enabling environments for mitigation and adaptation finance;

(c) Facilitating enhanced access.<sup>32</sup>

64. An in-session workshop on long-term climate finance was organized in conjunction with SBSTA 48.1, SBI 48.1 and APA 1.5 in April–May 2018. The secretariat prepared a summary report on the workshop for consideration at COP 24. The outcomes of the workshop will also inform the third high-level ministerial dialogue on climate finance (see para. 9(a) above).<sup>33</sup>

65. COP 19 requested developed country Parties to prepare biennial submissions on their updated strategies and approaches for scaling up climate finance from 2014 to 2020.<sup>34</sup>

66. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the summary report on the workshop and to take any action it deems appropriate. The COP will also be invited to provide guidance on the organization of future workshops on long-term climate finance.

<i>FCCC/CP/2018/4</i>	<i>In-session workshop on long-term climate finance in 2018. Summary report by the secretariat</i>
<i>Further information</i>	<a href="https://unfccc.int/topics/climate-finance/workstreams/long-term-climate-finance-ltf">https://unfccc.int/topics/climate-finance/workstreams/long-term-climate-finance-ltf</a> and <a href="http://www4.unfccc.int/sites/SubmissionPortal/Pages/Home.aspx">http://www4.unfccc.int/sites/SubmissionPortal/Pages/Home.aspx</a>

<sup>31</sup> Decision 5/CP.20, paragraph 12.

<sup>32</sup> Decision 7/CP.22, paragraph 12,

<sup>33</sup> As per decision 7/CP.22, paragraph 15.

<sup>34</sup> Decision 3/CP.19, paragraph 10.

(b) Matters relating to the Standing Committee on Finance

67. *Background:* COP 17 decided that the SCF shall report at each ordinary session of the COP and make recommendations for consideration by the COP on all aspects of its work.<sup>35</sup>

68. COP 23 requested the SCF to report to COP 24 on progress in implementing its workplan.<sup>36</sup>

69. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the report of the SCF and to take any action it deems appropriate. The COP will also be invited to elect members of the SCF.

<i>FCCC/CP/2018/8</i>	<i>Report of the Standing Committee on Finance</i>
<i>Further information</i>	<a href="http://www.unfccc.int/6877">www.unfccc.int/6877</a> and <a href="http://www.unfccc.int/6558.php">www.unfccc.int/6558.php</a>

(c) Report of the Green Climate Fund to the Conference of the Parties and guidance to the Green Climate Fund

70. *Background:* The Board of the GCF submits an annual report to the COP, as provided for in the arrangements between the COP and the GCF,<sup>37</sup> including information on the implementation of the guidance provided at the previous session of the COP and in any other relevant decisions of the COP.

71. The SCF will provide draft guidance to the GCF for consideration by the COP based on the annual report of the GCF to the COP, inputs from the constituted bodies under the Convention and views submitted by Parties.<sup>38</sup>

72. *Action:* The COP will be invited to provide guidance to the GCF on policies, programme priorities and eligibility criteria, taking into consideration the reports of the GCF and the SCF as well as the annual report to the COP on the operation of the registry of nationally appropriate mitigation actions.

<i>FCCC/CP/2018/5 and Add.1</i>	<i>Report of the Green Climate Fund to the Conference of the Parties. Note by the secretariat</i>
<i>FCCC/CP/2018/8</i>	<i>Report of the Standing Committee on Finance</i>
<i>FCCC/CP/2018/INF.1</i>	<i>Operation of the registry of nationally appropriate mitigation actions. Report by the secretariat</i>
<i>Further information</i>	<a href="https://unfccc.int/process/bodies/funds-and-financial-entities/green-climate-fund">https://unfccc.int/process/bodies/funds-and-financial-entities/green-climate-fund</a>

(d) Report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties and guidance to the Global Environment Facility

73. *Background:* The memorandum of understanding between the COP and the Council of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) provides that the GEF shall report annually to the COP on the implementation of guidance received. The GEF is expected to report at COP 24 on actions taken to implement the guidance provided at COP 23<sup>39</sup> and in any other relevant decisions of the COP.

74. The SCF will provide draft guidance to the GEF for consideration by the COP based on the annual report of the GEF to the COP, inputs from the constituted bodies under the Convention and views submitted by Parties.<sup>40</sup>

75. *Action:* The COP will be invited to provide guidance to the GEF on policies, programme priorities and eligibility criteria taking into consideration the reports of the GEF

<sup>35</sup> Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 120.

<sup>36</sup> Decision 7/CP.23, paragraph 13.

<sup>37</sup> Decision 5/CP.19, annex, paragraph 11.

<sup>38</sup> As per decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 121(c).

<sup>39</sup> As per decision 10/CP.23, paragraph 16.

<sup>40</sup> As footnote 38 above.

and the SCF as well as the annual report to the COP on the operation of the registry of nationally appropriate mitigation actions.

<i>FCCC/CP/2018/6 and Add.1 and 2</i>	<i>Report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties. Note by the secretariat</i>
<i>FCCC/CP/2018/8</i>	<i>Report of the Standing Committee on Finance</i>
<i>FCCC/CP/2018/INF.1</i>	<i>Operation of the registry of nationally appropriate mitigation actions. Report by the secretariat</i>
<i>Further information</i>	<a href="https://unfccc.int/topics/climate-finance/funds-entities-bodies/global-environment-facility">https://unfccc.int/topics/climate-finance/funds-entities-bodies/global-environment-facility</a>

(e) Identification of the information to be provided by Parties in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement

76. *Background:* The COP decided to initiate, at COP 22, a process to identify the information to be provided by Parties in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement with a view to providing a recommendation for consideration and adoption at CMA 1.<sup>41</sup>

77. COP 23 requested the SBI to consider this matter at SBI 48 and any subsequent SBI sessions on the PAWP, and to forward the outcomes to COP 24 with a view to the COP providing a recommendation for consideration and adoption at CMA 1.3.<sup>42</sup>

78. *Action:* The COP will be invited to complete its work on the identification of the information to be provided by Parties in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement.

<i>Further information</i>	<a href="http://www.unfccc.int/10157">www.unfccc.int/10157</a>
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## 11. Reporting from and review of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention

79. *Background:* COP 17 decided that developed country Parties shall submit a full national communication every four years.<sup>43</sup> The secretariat has prepared a compilation and synthesis report on the information reported by Annex I Parties in their third biennial reports for consideration at COP 24.<sup>44</sup>

80. *Action:* The COP will be invited to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

## 12. Reporting from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention

81. *Background:* COP 19 decided to continue the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention for a period of five years, from 2014 to 2018.<sup>45</sup> COP 22 requested SBI 48 to consider a review of the term and mandate, including the terms of reference, of the Consultative Group of Experts with a view to recommending a draft decision for consideration and adoption by COP 24.<sup>46</sup>

82. *Action:* The COP will be invited to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

<sup>41</sup> Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 55.

<sup>42</sup> Decision 12/CP.23, paragraph 5.

<sup>43</sup> Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 14.

<sup>44</sup> See document FCCC/SBI/2018/12 for further details.

<sup>45</sup> Decision 19/CP.19, paragraph 1.

<sup>46</sup> Decision 20/CP.22, paragraph 2. See document FCCC/SBI/2018/12 for further details.

### 13. Capacity-building under the Convention

83. *Background:* The Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB) is mandated to prepare annual technical progress reports on its work for submission to the COP through the SBI (at the session of the SBI coinciding with that of the COP).<sup>47</sup>

84. COP 21 decided that COP 25 would review the progress, need for extension, the effectiveness and enhancement of the PCCB and take any action it considers appropriate with a view to making recommendations to CMA 1 on enhancing institutional arrangements for capacity-building consistent with Article 11, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement.<sup>48</sup>

85. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer the matter of the review of the PCCB to the SBI for its consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI. The COP will also be invited to elect members to the PCCB.

<i>FCCC/SBI/2018/15</i>	<i>Annual technical progress report of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building</i>
<i>Further information</i>	<a href="http://www.unfccc.int/10251">www.unfccc.int/10251</a> and <a href="http://www.unfccc.int/6558.php">www.unfccc.int/6558.php</a>

### 14. Implementation of Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9, of the Convention

#### (a) Implementation of the Buenos Aires programme of work on adaptation and response measures (decision 1/CP.10)

86. *Background:* Implementation of the Buenos Aires programme of work on adaptation and response measures (decision 1/CP.10) is considered under the SBSTA and the SBI.<sup>49</sup>

87. *Action:* The COP will be invited to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBSTA and the SBI.

#### (b) Matters relating to the least developed countries

88. *Background:* Matters relating to the least developed countries are considered under the SBI.<sup>50</sup> SBI 48.1 recommended a draft decision on the least developed countries work programme for consideration and adoption by COP 24.<sup>51</sup>

89. *Action:* The COP will be invited to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

### 15. Gender and climate change

90. *Background:* COP 22 requested the secretariat to continue to prepare an annual report on gender composition in accordance with decisions 23/CP.18 and 18/CP.20.<sup>52</sup> COP 23 adopted a gender action plan<sup>53</sup> to support the implementation of gender-related decisions and mandates in the UNFCCC process.<sup>54</sup>

91. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer consideration of the annual report on gender composition to the SBI. The COP will also be invited to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

<i>FCCC/CP/2018/3</i>	<i>Gender composition. Report by the secretariat</i>
<i>Further information</i>	<a href="http://www.unfccc.int/7516.php">www.unfccc.int/7516.php</a>

<sup>47</sup> Decision 2/CP.22, annex, paragraph 17.

<sup>48</sup> Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 81.

<sup>49</sup> See documents FCCC/SBSTA/2018/7 and FCCC/SBI/2018/12 for further details.

<sup>50</sup> See document FCCC/SBI/2018/12 for further details.

<sup>51</sup> See document FCCC/SBI/2018/9/Add.1.

<sup>52</sup> Decision 21/CP.22, paragraph 19.

<sup>53</sup> Decision 3/CP.23.

<sup>54</sup> See document FCCC/SBI/2018/12 for further details.

**16. Other matters referred to the Conference of the Parties by the subsidiary bodies**

92. *Background:* Any other matters concerning the Convention referred to the COP by the subsidiary bodies will be taken up under this agenda item.

93. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider for adoption any draft decisions or conclusions recommended by the subsidiary bodies under this agenda item.

**17. Administrative, financial and institutional matters****(a) Audit report and financial statements for 2017**

94. *Background:* The financial statements for 2017 have been audited by the United Nations Board of Auditors.<sup>55</sup>

95. *Action:* The COP will be invited to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

**(b) Budget performance for the biennium 2018–2019**

96. *Background:* A report on budget performance and programme delivery for the first six months of the biennium 2018–2019 and a report on the status of contributions as at 16 November 2018 to the Trust Fund for the Core Budget of the UNFCCC and the other trust funds of the UNFCCC will be prepared for the session.<sup>56</sup>

97. *Action:* The COP will be invited to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

**(c) Decision-making in the UNFCCC process**

98. *Background:* COP 22 received a report from the President of COP 21 on the forward-looking, open-ended informal consultations on decision-making in the UNFCCC process that were convened in conjunction with SBSTA 44.<sup>57</sup> COP 23 continued, but could not conclude, consideration of this matter. In accordance with rules 10(c) and 16 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, this matter has been included on the provisional agenda for this session.

99. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider this matter and to take any action it deems appropriate.

**18. High-level segment**

100. The high-level segment will be inaugurated on Monday, 3 December, when statements by Heads of State or Government will be heard in the joint plenary meeting of the COP, the CMP and the CMA.

101. There will be one list of speakers for the high-level segment. Each Party, including Parties to the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement, may speak only once. Parties may wish to note that, as per SBI guidance urging Parties and presiding officers to conclude conferences in a timely manner,<sup>58</sup> statements must not exceed three minutes. Statements on behalf of groups, where other members of the group do not speak, are strongly encouraged and will be accorded additional time. Time limits will be strictly enforced. Following United Nations practice, a mechanism will be in place to signal to speakers when the time limit has been exceeded.

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<sup>55</sup> See document FCCC/SBI/2018/12 for further details.

<sup>56</sup> See document FCCC/SBI/2018/12 for further details.

<sup>57</sup> FCCC/CP/2016/10, paragraphs 139 and 140.

<sup>58</sup> FCCC/SBI/2014/8, paragraph 218.



(a) Statements by Parties

*Statements during the first part of the high-level segment*

102. Registration for the list of speakers for Monday, 3 December, when Heads of State and Government will deliver group or Party statements, will be opened mid-October and will close on Friday, 16 November 2018. A form has been sent to Parties for this purpose.

*Statements during the resumed high-level segment*

103. The high-level segment will resume during the second week to hear group or Party statements from Parties whose Head of State or Government did not speak on 3 December.

104. Registration for the list of speakers at the resumed high-level segment will be opened mid-October and will close on Friday, 16 November 2018. A form has been sent to Parties for this purpose.

105. The full text of the official statements will be posted on the UNFCCC website and will not be circulated in hard copy. In order to have a statement posted on the UNFCCC website, Parties speaking at the high-level segment are requested to send a copy of the statement in advance to [external-relations@unfccc.int](mailto:external-relations@unfccc.int).

(b) Statements by observer organizations

106. Representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations will be invited to make statements when the high-level segment resumes in the second week, upon conclusion of the group and Party statements. The time limit of two minutes per statement will be strictly enforced (see para. 100 above). The full text of the official statements will be posted on the UNFCCC website and will not be circulated in hard copy (see para. 104 above).

**19. Other matters**

107. Any other matters for the attention of the COP will be taken up under this agenda item.

**20. Conclusion of the session**

(a) Adoption of the draft report of the Conference of the Parties on its twenty-fourth session

108. *Background:* A draft report on the session will be prepared for consideration and adoption by the COP at the end of the session.

109. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider and adopt the draft report and to authorize the Rapporteur to complete the report after the session under the guidance of the President and with the assistance of the secretariat.

(b) Closure of the session

110. The President will declare the session closed.

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