UNFCCC
Standing Committee on Finance

Call for evidence: information and data for the preparation of the 2020 Report on the determination of the needs of developing country Parties related to implementing the Convention and the Paris Agreement

The Standing Committee on Finance (SCF), a constituted body under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, assists the Conference of the Parties (COP) on climate finance matters, including through the preparation of the report on the determination of the needs of developing country Parties.

Objective

The SCF has initiated the preparation of the 2020 report on the determination of the needs of developing country Parties, and is looking for evidence in accordance with the outline approved at its 21st meeting (see Annex), including on:

- Information and data on the needs of developing country Parties;
- Processes and approaches utilized for the determination of needs of developing country Parties;
- Underlying assumptions and methodologies; and
- Challenges, gaps and opportunities.

Information and data on the needs of developing country Parties

The SCF is looking for information, *inter alia*, on:

- National, regional and global level information and data on needs (quantitative and qualitative);
- Information and data on needs by geographical coverage (e.g. Africa, Asia-Pacific, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean);
- Information and data on needs by thematic area;
- Information and data on needs by sector;
- Case studies and illustrative examples.

Processes and approaches utilized for the determination of needs of developing country Parties

For processes and approaches, the SCF is looking for information, including on the following:

- Processes and approaches for determining the needs of developing countries, e.g. institutional arrangements, stakeholder consultations, dialogues, surveys, etc.;
- Case studies and illustrative examples.

Underlying assumptions and methodologies

For underlying assumptions and methodologies, the SCF is looking for information on the following:

- Methodologies used in determining the needs of developing countries;
- Indication of advantages, disadvantages and challenges of each methodology;
• Underlying assumptions considered when determining needs, e.g. temperature goals/temperature scenarios, sectoral goals/targets, national or sub-national targets, timeframes (short-, medium, long-term), etc.;
• Case studies and illustrative examples.

**Challenges, opportunities and gaps in determining the needs of developing country Parties**

For challenges, opportunities and gaps, the SCF is looking for information, *inter alia*, on the following:

• Information gaps and limitations;
• Challenges;
• Opportunities for determining the needs of developing countries;
• Country case studies and illustrative examples.

**How to submit the evidence**

Available reports, assessment outcomes, data sets, and other reference materials in relation to assessing and determining the needs and priorities of developing countries should be submitted by 28 February 2020 via email to: Standingcommittee@unfccc.int. The submissions will be featured in the repository of the dedicated UNFCCC website. The indicative timelines for the preparation of the report may be viewed in the reference documents below.

**Reference documents and other related background information**

• General outline of the 2020 report on the determination of the needs of developing country Parties is viewable in Annex III in the annual report of the SCF to COP25: https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/cp2019_10_cma2019_03_adv.pdf#page=17.
• Further information on the SCF’s work related to the 2020 on the determination of the needs of developing country Parties is viewable here: https://unfccc.int/topics/climate-finance/workstreams/determination-of-the-needs-of-developing-country-parties-related-to-implementing-the-convention-and.
• Background paper on sources of information and methodologies and approaches for determining the needs of developing countries, viewable here: https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/BPonSourcesOfInformationAndMethodologies.pdf

**About the Standing Committee on Finance**

The Standing Committee on Finance (SCF) was established by the Conference of the Parties (COP) at its 17th session. One of the activities of the SCF is to prepare, every four years, a report on the determination of the needs of developing country Parties related to implementing the Convention and the Paris Agreement, for consideration by the COP and the CMA, starting in 2020.

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1 Available at: https://unfccc.int/topics/climate-finance/workstreams/determination-of-the-needs-of-developing-country-parties-related-to-implementing-the-convention-and/repository-of-information-on-the-needs-of-developing-country-parties.