

Concept note and agenda for the 2026 Annual Global Stocktake Dialogue

16 June 2026, 10:00-12:30 and 15:00-16:00 (CEST)

Chamber Hall, WCCB, Bonn, Germany

I. Background

1. The first global stocktake (GST) outcome, decision 1/CMA.5, paragraph 187, requested the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies to organize an annual dialogue starting at their sixtieth sessions to **facilitate the sharing of knowledge and good practices on how the outcomes of the GST are informing the preparation of Parties' next nationally determined contributions (NDCs) in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Paris Agreement.**
2. The first and the second GST dialogues¹ were held in conjunction with SB60 and SB62 in June 2024 and June 2025 in Bonn, Germany. Summary reports² on the 2024 and 2025 GST dialogues were published and noted with appreciation at CMA7. Parties are encouraged to utilize and draw on the lessons learned and good practices from the summary reports, as appropriate, in their national contexts and processes.
3. CMA7 also decided that the annual GST dialogue will conclude at SB64 in June 2026. Resumption of the dialogue will be considered in the context of the second GST.³
4. To prepare for the 2026 GST dialogue, the Chairs of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) organized the virtual informal consultations on 7 May 2026.⁴ This note has been prepared to summarize the proceedings of the informal consultations and to share information on the organization and agenda of the 2026 GST dialogue. Further information on the event is available on [the dialogue website](#).

II. Proceedings of informal consultations

5. The virtual informal consultations were co-chaired by Adonia Ayebare, Chair of the SBSTA, and Julia Gardiner, Chair of the SBI. An information note, including the vision for the 2026 GST dialogue and its proposed themes and format, was prepared by them and shared with Parties and non-Party stakeholders prior to the consultations.
6. Interventions were made by 8 groups of Parties, 7 Parties and 5 observers.
7. Participants reiterated the mandate of the dialogue and welcomed its continued role in facilitating the sharing of experiences, knowledge and good practices related to the preparation of NDCs informed by the outcome of the first GST. Some participants expected the dialogue to provide a space for an exchange views on how Parties' NDCs respond to the outcome of the first GST, including the collective global efforts or sectoral calls; how and to what extent the different elements of the GST outcome have been integrated into NDCs, as well as the challenges encountered in the process; and how scientific findings have informed NDCs, including the interpretation of fair shares in global emission reduction pathways. With the second GST on the horizon, some Participants considered this dialogue was an opportunity to reflect on how the first GST had been taken up in NDCs, and what Parties could learn from that experience.
8. Some participants emphasized that the dialogue should focus on sharing experiences related to NDC preparation, including means of implementation for NDC preparation, without assessing or interpreting the GST outcome or engaging in ambition-oriented discussions. Participants encouraged the sharing of knowledge and good practices in national institutional coordination processes for NDC preparation and implementation planning. Some participants also suggested sharing experiences on how the GST outcome informs not only NDC targets, but also the development of financeable and implementable plans, including through the alignment of international cooperation with nationally

¹ See <https://unfccc.int/event/annual-global-stocktake-dialogue> and <https://unfccc.int/event/annual-gst-ndc-dialogue-mandated-event-0> respectively.

² [FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/5](https://unfccc.int/event/annual-gst-ndc-dialogue-mandated-event-0) and [FCCC/PA/CMA/2025/6](https://unfccc.int/event/annual-gst-ndc-dialogue-mandated-event-0) respectively.

³ See decision [3/CMA.7](#), para 14.

⁴ See the event page <https://unfccc.int/event/informal-consultations-on-the-2026-annual-gst-dialogue>

determined priorities. Some participants called for an exchange on how NDCs have informed national-level investment plans.

9. Participants acknowledged that the timing of NDC submissions differs across Parties, reflecting different national circumstances and capabilities, and encouraged discussions on challenges, barriers and possible solutions related to NDC preparation. There were calls for the dialogue to engage Parties that had not yet submitted their next NDC, drawing out what barriers and challenges they face.

10. Participants widely noted that many Parties are transitioning from the formulation of their new NDCs to NDC planning or implementation phases and welcomed exchanges this. Suggested topics included good practices and challenges in translating NDCs into implementation plans and actions; the availability of means of implementation support for developing NDC implementation plans and implementing NDCs; challenges related to accessing support; enabling environment for international cooperation and barriers hindering NDC implementation; positive impacts of NDC implementation on socio-economic development and investments; opportunities for unlocking ambition and barriers to overachieving NDC; and the role of inclusive stakeholder engagement in enabling effective climate action.

11. Regarding the formats of the dialogue, participants acknowledged the effectiveness of plenary sessions featuring presentations and floor interventions as done in previous dialogues and welcomed scene-setting presentations by Parties and relevant expert stakeholders to facilitate discussions. Some participants supported the use of breakout sessions to enable more interactive exchanges among participants, while some expressed a preference for retaining the roundtable modality.

12. In addition, some participants provided views regarding the summary report, including providing a synthesis of the discussions and overarching conclusions; highlighting recommendations emerging from any breakout discussions; and including key messages from the two previous dialogues.

III. Organization of the 2026 GST dialogue

13. The 2026 GST dialogue will be held under the guidance of the Chairs of the Subsidiary Bodies. A summary report will be prepared, with the support from secretariat, and made available in advance of CMA8.

14. The dialogue will be held on **16 June 2026 from 10:00 to 12:30 and from 15:00 to 16:00 (CEST)** in conjunction with the 64th Session of the Subsidiary Bodies, in Bonn, Germany. It will consist of a plenary opening session, with scene-setting presentations to inform the discussions, followed by facilitated breakout sessions, and finally a closing plenary featuring reports from the breakout sessions and floor interventions. The dialogue will be open to all Parties and non-Party stakeholders and will be webcast live on the UNFCCC website.

15. The dialogue will facilitate sharing of knowledge and good practices on how the outcome of the first GST is informing the preparation of Parties' NDCs. It will also provide a platform for exchanging experiences, challenges, barriers and opportunities related to NDC preparation and implementation. Considering the mandate of the event, the topics discussed in previous dialogues, reflections and suggestions regarding the proposed themes, as well as synergies and complementarities with work under other UNFCCC workstreams, the 2026 GST dialogue will focus on:

- (1) Reflecting and translating GST outcome into NDCs;
- (2) Advancing and enabling NDC implementation.

(a) Opening session

16. The Chairs of Subsidiary Bodies will open the dialogue by sharing their perspectives on the 2026 dialogue's objectives, modalities and expected outcomes. Parties and relevant expert stakeholders will be invited to deliver scene-setting presentations.

(b) Breakout discussions

17. The breakout sessions will be organized in **two consecutive rounds, with two groups convening in parallel during each round**. Each breakout group will focus on a distinct theme, drawing from the preceding scene-setting presentations and national and regional experiences. Participants will stay in the same group through the breakout sessions, and facilitators will rotate to the other group after the first breakout discussion. This approach will enable all participants to engage in discussion on both themes. Each round of discussion will run for approximately 45 minutes with a short break in between to allow facilitators to switch between breakout groups.

Theme 1: Reflecting and translating GST outcome into NDCs

This breakout discussion will provide an opportunity to exchange experiences and challenges related to the preparation of NDCs, and to improve the understanding of how the first GST outcome has informed NDCs and can be translated into concrete implementation. Participants are encouraged to share practices and approaches for considering and reflecting the outcome of the first GST in the formulation and design of their NDCs, in line with their respective circumstances and priorities. It will also provide space to exchange experiences on national institutional coordination for NDC preparation, and to identify barriers and enablers related to the process.

Guiding questions

- 1) How did Parties take into account and reflect the technical assessment findings and the outcome of the first GST in the preparation and design of their NDCs?
- 2) What practices and approaches can be shared on translating the global efforts in the GST outcome into actionable, context-specific measures at the national levels, in line with national development priorities? What challenges have been encountered in this process?
- 3) What were the experiences, lessons learned and challenges in national institutional processes for NDC preparation and implementation planning, including but not limited to, target-setting, the assessment of enabling conditions and the development of investment plans?

Theme 2: Advancing and enabling NDCs implementation

This breakout session will focus on advancing and supporting NDC implementation and relevant enabling conditions. The discussion will provide space to identify finance, technology and capacity-building needs related to NDC preparation and implementation, particularly for developing countries. It will also explore opportunities and approaches to align NDC implementation with national development and investment planning and discuss how to strengthen international cooperation and stakeholder engagement to support the implementation of NDCs and GST outcome.

Guiding questions

- 1) What key finance, technology and capacity-building needs have been identified during NDC preparation and implementation planning, particularly in developing countries, and how these needs could be addressed to support NDC implementation?
- 2) What are the challenges and opportunities in unlocking investment for NDC implementation, and how could synergies with economic diversification and broader national development plans be promoted?
- 3) How can international cooperation and inclusive stakeholder engagement be enhanced to support the implementation of NDCs and global climate actions?

(c) Closing session

18. The closing session will begin with reporting back from the breakout sessions, followed by floor interventions from Parties and non-Party stakeholders to provide further inputs, and closing remarks by the Chairs of subsidiary bodies.

IV. Agenda

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Time	Session	
10:00-10:45	<p><u>Opening Session</u> (Co-chaired by SBSTA and SBI Chairs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opening remarks by SB Chairs <p><u>Scene-setting presentations</u> (experts: TBC)</p>	
	<p><u>Breakout Sessions</u></p> <p><i>The sessions will be structured in two consecutive rounds, with two groups convening in parallel in each round, each focusing on a distinct theme. Participants will remain in the same group throughout the breakout sessions, while facilitators will rotate between groups after the first round. Each round will last 45 minutes, with a short break in between.</i></p> <p>Theme 1: Reflecting and translating GST outcome into NDCs (Facilitators: TBC)</p> <p><u>Guiding questions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How did Parties take into account and reflect the technical assessment findings and the outcome of the first GST in the preparation and design of their NDCs? • What practices and approaches can be shared on translating the global efforts in the GST outcome into actionable, context-specific measures at the national levels, in line with national development priorities? What challenges have been encountered in this process? • What were the experiences, lessons learned and challenges in national institutional processes for NDC preparation and implementation planning, including but not limited to, target-setting, the assessment of enabling conditions and the development of investment plans? <p>Theme 2: Advancing and supporting NDCs implementation (Facilitators: TBC)</p> <p><u>Guiding questions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What key finance, technology and capacity-building needs have been identified during NDC preparation and implementation planning, particularly in developing countries, and how these needs could be addressed to support NDC implementation? • What are the challenges and opportunities in unlocking investment for NDC implementation, and how could synergies with economic diversification and broader national development plans be promoted? • How can international cooperation and inclusive stakeholder engagement be enhanced to support the implementation of NDCs and global climate actions? 	
	<p>Break into groups, with each group moving to one side of the Chamber Hall</p>	
10:50 - 11:35	<p><u>Breakout group 1:</u> Reflecting and translating GST outcome into NDCs</p>	<p><u>Breakout group 2:</u> Advancing and enabling NDCs implementation</p>
	<p>Facilitators to switch</p>	
11:45 - 12:30	<p><u>Breakout group 1:</u> Advancing and enabling NDCs implementation</p>	<p><u>Breakout group 2:</u> Reflecting and translating GST outcome into NDCs</p>
	<p>Lunch break</p>	
15:00 - 16:00	<p><u>Closing Session</u> (Co-chaired by SBSTA and SBI Chairs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report-back from facilitators - Open floor discussion - Closing remarks by the SB Chairs 	