



Workshop on the work programme on just transition pathways referred to in the relevant paragraphs of decision 1/CMA.4

Concept note by the Chairs of the Subsidiary Bodies for the mandated

Background

The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) decided, at its fourth session, to establish a work programme (WP) on just transition for discussion of pathways to achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement outlined in Article 2, paragraph 1, in the context of Article 2, paragraph 2.¹ The CMA further requested that the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) recommend a draft decision on this matter for consideration at CMA 5, with the work programme to be implemented in a manner that builds on and complements the relevant workstreams under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, including the work programme for urgently scaling up mitigation ambition and implementation.²

At SB 58, the SBSTA and the SBI took note of the constructive discussions held at those sessions under the joint agenda item on matters relating to the work programme referred to in paragraph 1 above and agreed to continue work thereon at SB 59 with a view to recommending a draft decision thereon for consideration and adoption at CMA 4. The SBSTA and the SBI invited Parties to submit via the submission portal views on the work programme and requested the secretariat to prepare a synthesis report on Parties' submissions with a view to informing Parties' further discussions on the work programme.³

The SBSTA and the SBI further requested the secretariat to organize, under the guidance of their Chairs, a workshop to be held before SB 59 on the work programme, to inform further work thereunder, based on the submissions and synthesis report referred to in paragraph 2 above, ensuring broad participation of Parties and observers. They further requested the secretariat to prepare, under the guidance of their Chairs, a summary report on the workshop.⁴

Organization of the workshop

The half-day workshop will be held under guidance on 27 November 2023 at Expo City Dubai prior to the start of SB 59.

The workshop will be an opportunity for Parties and groups of Parties to better understand each other's views on the work programme, including those shared during the previous discussions and provided in the submissions.⁵ The workshop will be a space for informal, open, and constructive engagement where views on matters and questions related to the work programme can be shared and exchanged in order to help Parties prepare for the formal deliberations on the work programme at SB 59. The views and ideas

¹ Decision 1/CMA.4, para. 52.

² Decision 1/CMA.4, para. 52.

³ FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, para. 70, and FCCC/SBI/2022/10, para. 43.

⁴ FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, para. 71, and FCCC/SBI/2022/10, para. 44.

⁵ Available at <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>. (search for "just transition").



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shared will not prejudice outcomes from the formal deliberations but serve as a source of inspiration and motivation for the important work ahead of us at SB 59.

The workshop will be open to representatives of Parties and groups of Parties, as well as representatives of observer organizations registered for COP 28. Each session of the workshop will be opened by two short icebreaker interventions followed by discussions on the session's guiding question, including through interactive elements, as outlined in the proposed agenda below.

It is encouraged that the participants engage in an open and constructive exchange of views and ideas, to facilitate a good outcome on the work programme at SB 59.