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Matters relating to the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures serving the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement

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1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) convened at these sessions a meeting of the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures.
2. The SBSTA and the SBI welcomed the progress made by the KCI in implementing the workplan of the forum and its KCI.¹
3. The SBSTA and the SBI also welcomed the forum's in-session "Workshop on country-driven strategies for Just Transition and Economic Diversification focusing on Challenges and Opportunities".²
4. The SBSTA and the SBI continued and concluded their consideration of the midterm review of the workplan and agreed to provide flexibility to the KCI to use its agreed modalities in implementation of its workplan, as appropriate. Further the SBSTA and the SBI requested the KCI to build awareness and understanding of Parties on the economic, social and environmental impacts of implementation of mitigation policies in the Glasgow Climate Pact and the Sharm el-Sheikh Implementation Plan, by SB 63.
5. The SBSTA and the SBI took note of the views on and proposed guiding questions, including the views submitted by Parties and observers,³ for the review of the functions, work programme and modalities of the forum,⁴ as well as the associated summary report by the secretariat,⁵ on the review of the functions, work programme and modalities of the forum.⁶
6. The SBSTA and the SBI also took note of the in-forum discussions among Parties on that review, which were informed by the submissions referred to in paragraph 5 above, on the basis of which they agreed on the guiding questions set out in annex, noting that these guiding questions are non-exhaustive and will inform Parties' deliberations on the review at SB 59.
7. The SBSTA and the SBI further took note of the discussion on the review of the functions, work programme and modalities of the forum, as contained in the informal note prepared by their Chairs on review of the functions, work programme and modalities of the forum,⁷ recognizing that the content of the note does not represent consensus among Parties.
8. The SBSTA and the SBI agreed to conduct a one-day review of the functions, work programme and modalities of the forum in conjunction with SB 59 with a view to concluding the review at SB 59 and providing recommendations for consideration by the COP, the CMP and the CMA.
9. The SBSTA and the SBI took note of the activities proposed during the midterm review, as contained in the informal note,⁸ which may inform the review of the functions, work programme and modalities of the forum, recognizing that the content of the note does not represent consensus among Parties.

¹ As contained in annex II to decisions 4/CP.25, 4/CMP.15 and 4/CMA.2.

² https://unfccc.int/event/workshop_country_strategies_just-transition_economic-diversification.

³ Available at <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx> (in the search field, type "response measures").

⁴ Annex to decision 7/CMA.1.

⁵ FCCC/SB/2023/2.

⁶ Decision 7/CMA.1, para. 6.

⁷ Available at: <[Link to informal note 1](#)>.

⁸ Available at: <[Link to informal note 2](#)>

10. The SBSTA and the SBI invited Parties to make submissions on a subsequent workplan of the forum and its KCI and requested the KCI to provide recommendations on the subsequent workplan for forum consideration at SB 60.

11. The SBSTA and the SBI took note of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraphs xx above.

12. They requested that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

Annex

Guiding questions for the review of the functions, work programme and modalities of the forum

I. Functions

1. The guiding questions include:

(a) How can the effectiveness of the functions of the forum and its KCI be enhanced in:

(i) Providing a platform allowing Parties to share, in an interactive manner, information, experiences, case studies, best practices and views;

(ii) Facilitating assessment and analysis of the impact of the implementation of response measures, including the use and development of modelling tools and methodologies, with a view to recommending specific actions;

(iii) Addressing the effects of the implementation of response measures by enhancing cooperation among Parties, stakeholders, external organizations, experts and institutions, by enhancing the capacity and the understanding of Parties of the impacts of mitigation actions and by enabling the exchange of information, experience and best practices among Parties to raise their resilience to these impacts;

(iv) Responding and taking into consideration the relevant outcomes of different processes under the Paris Agreement;

(v) Promoting action to minimize the adverse impacts and maximize the positive impacts of the implementation of response measures?

(b) To what extent are the functions and work of the forum relevant in responding to the urgent need for immediate, deep, rapid and sustained reductions in global greenhouse gas emissions and to the magnitude of impacts of the implementation of response measures faced by Parties?

II. Work Programme

2. The guiding questions include:

(a) What have been the successes of the forum and its KCI in implementing the work programme? Are there any gaps in the work programme, and if so, how can they be addressed?

(b) How could each area of the work programme be better elaborated to focus on implementation and to be implemented to support the forum in performing its functions?

(c) How could the forum and its KCI better respond to and make use of the best available science?

(d) What are the policy issues of concern to Parties and how can they be addressed to support the urgent need for immediate, deep, rapid and sustained reductions in global greenhouse gas emissions?

III. Modalities

3. The guiding questions include:

(a) How effective and efficient have the modalities been, including the format of forum meetings and the timing and duration of KCI meetings?

(b) What role can the forum play in assisting Parties to operationalize the recommendations adopted by the COP, the CMP and the CMA?

(c) How can the forum and its KCI better engage non-Party stakeholders in their work and, at the same time, how can non-Party stakeholders actively participate in the discussions of the forum and its KCI?

(d) How can the current modalities be aligned with the functions of the forum and its KCI and the efforts of the Parties to maximize the positive and minimize the negative impacts of the implementation of response measures?

Chairs' informal note

on review of the functions, work programme and modalities of the forum

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I. Functions

1. The views pertaining to the functions of the forum include:
 - (a) The existing functions are adequate;
 - (b) Informed by new activities that were discussed during the midterm review;
 - (c) The functions of the forum and its KCI should further complement each other;
 - (d) Not be confined to SB sessions;
 - (e) Structured in a proactive and interactive manner through enhancing the frequency of face-to-face engagements;
 - (f) Develop handbook on good practices;
 - (g) Provide examples of resilience measures in relation to impacts, e.g. economic diversification and how this is different from the minimisation of negative impacts;
 - (h) Contribute expertise and knowledge to the work programme on just transition;
 - (i) Actionable with specific milestones to address current and emerging climate change gap;
 - (j) Focused on identification and quantification of the impacts of response measures, and addressing the negative impacts of response measures;
 - (k) Equipped with operational functions such as those of an ombudsman or policy auditor to track the progress;
 - (l) Facilitate capacity-building related to addressing the effects of the implementation of response measures;
 - (m) Develop tools and methodologies;
 - (n) Facilitate analysis of sectoral, national, subnational or cross-border impacts;
 - (o) Provide a baseline understanding of the impacts of response measures by facilitating assessments and analyses of the impact of mitigation inaction, with an emphasis on major emitters;
 - (p) Ensure the impacts of the implementation of the workplan of the forum and its KCI is sustained after its completion;
 - (q) Develop case studies and concrete examples;
 - (r) Enhances Parties capabilities to understand, assess, and address the impacts of the implementation of response measures.

II. Work programme

2. The views pertaining to the work programme of the forum include:
 - (a) Less focus on tools and methodologies / More focus on development of tools and methodologies

- (b) More focus on just transition and economic diversification;
- (c) Equal importance to all areas of the work programme;
- (d) Assessing the impacts of lack of implementation of response measures by major economies should be added as one area of the work programme;
- (e) Consider the positive and negative impacts of aspirational mitigation policies, including link to impacts of 1.5 °C and 2 °C goals;
- (f) Take into account relevant policy issues of concern in order to support climate actions / Expand to cover a wide range of priorities and concerns of Parties
- (g) Greater focus on the co-benefits of response measures, including on human health;
- (h) Consider the positive and negative impacts of building new unabated fossil fuel infrastructure;
- (i) Adaptive to developments in climate policies and COP/CMA decisions.

III. Modalities

3. The views pertaining to the modalities of the forum and its KCI include:
 - (a) Inclusive and hybrid nature of meetings and events / In-person nature of meetings and events;
 - (b) Proactive and reactive development of workshops, concrete case studies and engagement sessions informed by the best available science;
 - (c) Joint capacity-building through cooperation with other UN organizations;
 - (d) Engagement with a wide a range of stakeholders;
 - (e) Web-based support/decision system to share best practices;
 - (f) Country trainings on methodologies and tools;
 - (g) Flexibility to meet based on needs and aiming to advance technical work;
4. The views pertaining to the modalities of the KCI include:
 - (a) The KCI should support the work under just transition work programme / The KCI should not support the work under just transition work programme;
 - (b) The KCI should have more flexibility to conduct its work, including to address new mandates;
 - (c) The duration and frequency of the KCI meeting should be increased / The KCI should be allowed to meet as needed to carry its work;
 - (d) The KCI should be enhancing its outreach and communication;
 - (e) Expansion of KCI membership to reflect sub-region.

Chairs' informal note

on activities proposed during the midterm review of the workplan of the forum and its KCI

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#	ACTIVITY	ESTIMATED TIMELINE	RESPONSIBLE ACTOR	MODALITIES/OUTPUTS
1	Institute a systematic process for (a) periodic reporting and review of response measures and its impacts on Parties with economies most affected by the impacts of response measures, particularly developing country Parties. (b) Reporting, assessment and analysis of measures taken by developed countries to minimize the impact of the implementation response measures, on Parties with economies most affected by the impacts of response measures, particularly developing country Parties.	SB 62 – SB 63	KCI	Input from experts, practitioners and relevant organizations Technical papers
			Forum	Awareness and enhancing information sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices Concrete examples Synthesis report Recommendation to COP/CMP/CMA
2	Enhance capacity and understanding of Parties, through collaboration and cooperation, on the assessment and analysis of the impacts of implementation of response measures arising from the impacts of the implementation of mitigation policies in the Glasgow climate pact and the Sharm Elsheikh Action Plan taking into account the different regional and	SB 61 – SB 63	KCI	Input from experts, practitioners and relevant organizations Case studies Regional workshops

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	national circumstances including through the development of sector specific case studies on the assessment and analysis of the impacts of the implementation of response measures.		Forum	Awareness and enhancing information sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices Regional Workshops Synthesis report Recommendation to COP/CMP/CMA
3	Enhance understanding and capacity of Parties, on the analysis and assessment of the impacts of the implementation of article 2.1c of the Paris agreement.	SB 64	KCI	Input from experts, practitioners and relevant organizations Technical papers
			Forum	Awareness and enhancing information sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices Workshops Synthesis report Recommendation to COP/CMP/CMA
4	Identify and exchange experiences and best practices on engaging international organizations regarding how they take into account and accommodate the national circumstances of parties in the implementation of their response measures.	SB 61	KCI	Input from experts, practitioners and relevant organizations Concrete examples Technical papers
			Forum	Exchange and sharing of experience and best practices Synthesis report recommendation to COP/CMP/CMA

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5	Develop tools and methodologies to assess the positive and negative environmental, social and economic consequences of climate change policies and actions informed by the best available science	SB 59 – SB 63	KCI	Input from experts, practitioners and relevant organizations Organizing regional workshops, developing case studies, technical paper
6	Enhance capacity and understanding of Parties, on the assessment and analysis of the impacts of implementation of climate change related unilateral cross-border carbon pricing measures, explore ways to reduce the negative impacts to parties especially developing countries.	SB 59-SB 62	KCI	Input from experts, practitioners and relevant organizations Technical paper
			Forum	Input from experts, practitioners, and relevant organizations Organizing workshops
7	Build awareness about the positive and negative impacts associated with accelerating efforts towards the phasedown of unabated coal power	SB 59 to SB 62	KCI	Technical paper, developing case studies,
			Forum	Input from experts, practitioners and relevant organizations
8	Capacity building workshop on ways to promote action to minimize the adverse impacts and maximize the positive impacts of the implementation of response measures	SB 60 to SB 63	KCI	
			Forum	Receiving inputs from experts Organizing regional workshops
9	Assess the socioeconomic, environmental, health, and other impacts of climate change versus Paris Agreement-aligned mitigation measures at temperature levels above 1.5, 2, 2.5, and 3 degrees Celsius	SB 61	KCI	Technical paper
			Forum	

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10	Conduct work into the just transition of ocean-based workers undergoing mitigation efforts.		Forum and the KCI	
11	Examine national and sub-national enabling legislation, action plans, frameworks, and other structural factors for just transition and economic diversification and transformation, including applications of just transition principles.			
12	Analyze the co-benefits of utilizing science-based response measures for mitigation action, as informed by the best available science, including direct inputs from the IPCC.			