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Review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee

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1. Recognize the progress of the Adaptation Committee in implementing its mandate since its last review in 2016, and its central role in promoting coherence across adaptation work under the Convention and the Paris Agreement;
2. Welcome the submissions from Parties on the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee¹ and the exchanges on this matter at COP 27 and CMA 4;
3. Take note of the progress of the Adaptation Committee in improving its outreach and communication efforts;
4. Encourage the Adaptation Committee to continue to employ transparent and inclusive modalities of work, which include ensuring the broad engagement of observers and facilitating virtual participation in its meetings and events;
5. Invite the Adaptation Committee to develop technical products taking into account the best available science, including the findings in the assessment reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, and disseminate them in a manner that increases their reach in all geographical regions, including through their translation into all six official languages of the United Nations, subject to the availability of resources, and through the adaptation knowledge portal;
6. Welcome the valuable input to the work of Parties and the global stocktake that the Adaptation Committee has provided through its supplementary guidance for voluntary use by Parties in communicating information in accordance with the possible elements of an adaptation communication,² and request the Adaptation Committee to consider the appropriate distribution and communication tools and channels to increase its use by Parties;
7. Request the Adaptation Committee to conduct an audience analysis to improve the reach and uptake of its technical products;
8. Note with appreciation the collaboration and partnerships of the Adaptation Committee with other UNFCCC constituted bodies and institutional arrangements under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, including partner organizations of the Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change, and encourage enhanced collaboration and partnerships;
9. Request the Adaptation Committee to organize regional events and dialogues with a view to improving the dissemination, understanding and use of its technical products by organizations and practitioners within and outside the UNFCCC process and in all geographical regions;³
10. Invite the Adaptation Committee to make use of additional modalities in implementing its work, including engaging with a geographically balanced selection of technical experts, organizations, research institutions and other institutional arrangements outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement, including the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, with the aim of enhancing the quality of its technical products, facilitating their uptake, and identifying follow-up activities;
11. Note the valuable input of the Adaptation Committee to the Glasgow–Sharm el-Sheikh work programme on the global goal on adaptation and the global stocktake, and encourage the Adaptation Committee to include follow-up activities in its flexible workplan;

¹ Available at <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx> (in the search field, clear tags and type “Review of the Adaptation Committee”).

² FCCC/SB/2022/5/Add.1 and Corr.1.

³ Decisions 8/CP.27, paragraph 2 and 10/CMA.4, paragraph 2.

12. Invite the Adaptation Committee to continue analysing information provided by Parties on adaptation actions taken in relation to the adaptation policy cycle with a view to informing future global stocktakes;
13. Encourage the Adaptation Committee and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, in collaboration with the Standing Committee on Finance, to accelerate their compilation of existing methodologies for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support provided for adaptation and to make this compilation available to relevant stakeholders;
14. Also encourage the Adaptation Committee to take into consideration all available adaptation-related reporting and communication instruments when implementing its function of providing technical support and guidance to the Parties with a view to facilitating the implementation of adaptation activities;⁴
15. Further encourage the Adaptation Committee to consider how to facilitate the identification of solutions for addressing gaps and needs in the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans that have been identified through work of the Least Developed Countries Expert Group and the Adaptation Committee;
16. Invite the Adaptation Committee to consider follow-up activities related to its synthesis report on lessons learned and good practices related to the efforts of developing countries in assessing and meeting the costs of adaptation,⁵ including regional events on the applicability of the findings of the report;
17. Also invite the Adaptation Committee, in developing its current and future flexible workplans, to take into consideration the key messages from the Sixth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, gender as a cross-cutting issue, and locally led and transboundary adaptation;
18. Encourage Parties to make available sufficient resources for the successful and timely implementation of the flexible workplan of the Adaptation Committee for 2022–2024.

⁴ Decision 1/CP.16, para, 20(a).

⁵ Adaptation Committee. 2022. *Efforts of developing countries in assessing and meeting the costs of adaptation: Lessons learned and good practices. Synthesis report by the Adaptation Committee in the context of the recognition of adaptation efforts of developing country Parties*. Bonn: UNFCCC. Available at <https://unfccc.int/documents/621859>.