

United Nations
Climate Change

Adaptation Committee Decision booklet

October 2026



Adaptation Committee

Decision booklet

This compilation of mandates prepared by the secretariat mainly contains direct mandates from the Conference of the Parties (COP), the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) and the subsidiary bodies to the Adaptation Committee (AC).

Decisions derived from the consideration of the annual reports of the AC are reflected in full.

Broader mandates guiding the work on adaptation under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, as well as invitations from other constituted bodies or entities are not expressly reflected in this compilation but are taken into account in the AC's three-year workplans.[1]

This document was last updated on 30 October 2026. It has no official status.

[1] https://unfccc.int/process/bodies/constituted-bodies/adaptation-committee-ac/workplan.

Contents

2026 ..... **10**

SB 64 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda sub-item 4b / SBI Agenda sub-item 10b) Review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee 10

SB 64 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda sub-item 4(c)) Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change 10

SB 64 Conclusions (SBI Agenda sub-item 11) Matters relating to the least developed countries 10

2025 ..... **11**

Decision 1/CMA.7 Global Mutirão: uniting humanity in a global mobilization against climate change 11

Decision 2/CMA.7 United Arab Emirates just transition work programme 11

Decision 3/CMA.7 Matters relating to the global stocktake 12

Decision 4/CMA.7 Guidance relating to adaptation communications 12

Decision 11/CMA.7 Sharm el-Sheikh dialogue on the scope of Article 2, paragraph 1(c), of the Paris Agreement and its complementarity with Article 9 of the Paris Agreement 13

Decision 12/CMA.7 Global goal on adaptation 13

Decision 15/CMA.7 Provision of financial and technical support to developing country Parties for reporting and capacity-building . 15

Decision 22/CMA.7 Review of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts 18

Decision 25/CMA.7 Annual technical progress report of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for 2025 18

Decision 27/CMA.7 Matters relating to Action for Climate Empowerment 19

Decision 7/CP.30 Belém gender action plan 19

Decision 8/CP.30 National adaptation plans 20

Report of the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session, Part one: Proceedings. Agenda sub-item 6(a) Report of the Adaptation Committee 21

Report of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its seventh session, Part one: Proceedings. Agenda sub-item 8(b) Report of the Adaptation Committee 22

Report of the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session, Part one: Proceedings. Agenda sub-item 6(b) Review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee 23

Report of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its seventh session, Part one: Proceedings. Agenda sub-item 8(c) Review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee 23

SB 62 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda sub-item 5b / SBI Agenda sub-item 11b) Review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee 24

SBI 62 Conclusions (SBI Agenda item 12) Matters relating to the least developed countries 24

SB 62 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda item 10 / SBI Agenda item 10) Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security 25

SBSTA 62 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda sub-item 5(c)) Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change 26

2024 ..... **27**

Decision 3/CMA.6 Global goal on adaptation 27

Decision 20/CMA.6 Annual technical progress report of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for 2024 28

Decision 2/CP.29 Matters relating to the Standing Committee on Finance 28

Decision 7/CP.29 Gender and climate change 29

Report of the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-ninth 29

Session, Part one: Proceedings. Agenda sub-item 6(a) Report of the Adaptation Committee 29

Report of the Conference of the Parties serving as the 29

meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its 29

sixth session, Part one: Proceedings. Agenda sub-item 9(b) Report of the Adaptation Committee 29

SB 60 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda item 5a / SBI Agenda item 10a) Matters relating to the global goal on adaptation 30

SB 60 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda item 5b / SBI Agenda item 10b) Report of the AC and review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC 31

2023 ..... **32**

Decision 1/CMA.5 Outcome of the first global stocktake 32

Decision 2/CMA.5 Glasgow–Sharm el-Sheikh work programme on the global goal on adaptation referred to in decision 7/CMA.3 ... 32

SB 59 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda item 3b / SBI Agenda item 12b) Report of the AC and review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC 33

SBI 59 Conclusions (Agenda item 14) Matters relating to the least developed countries 34

2022 ..... **35**

Decision 8/CP.27 Report of the AC for 2022 and review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC 35

Decision 9/CP.27 National adaptation plans 36

Decision 3/CMA.4 Glasgow–Sharm el-Sheikh work programme on the global goal on adaptation referred to in decision 7/CMA.3 ... 37

Decision 10/CMA.4 Report of the AC for 2022 and review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC 37

2021 ..... **39**

Decision 2/CP.26 Report of the AC (for 2019, 2020 and 2021) 39

Decision 3/CP.26 National adaptation plans 40

Decision 7/CMA.3 Glasgow–Sharm el-Sheikh work programme on the global goal on adaptation 42

Decision 8/CMA.3 Report of the AC for 2019, 2020 and 2021 42

Decision 8/CMA.3 Report of the AC for 2019, 2020 and 2021 42

2019 ..... **43**

Decision 3/CP.25 Enhanced Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan 43

Decision 7/CP.25 National adaptation plans 44

Decision 9/CMA.1 Further guidance in relation to the adaptation communication, including, inter alia, as a component of nationally

determined contributions, referred to in Article 7, paragraphs 10 and 11, of the Paris Agreement 44

Decision 11/CMA.1 Matters referred to in paragraphs 41, 42 and 45 of decision 1/CP.21 46

Decision 19/CMA.1 Matters relating to Article 14 of the Paris Agreement and paragraphs 99–101 of decision 1/CP.21 49

Decision 1/CMA.2 Chile Madrid Time for Action 50

2018 50

Decision 8/CP.24 National adaptation plans 50

Decision 9/CP.24 Report of the AC 51

Decision 10/CP.24 Report of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts 54

SBSTA48 Conclusions (Agenda item 3) Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change 55

2017 57

Decision 13/CP.23 Assessment of the technical examination processes on mitigation and adaptation 57

SB 47 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda item 4 / SBI Agenda item 12) Report of the AC 58

2016 58

Decision 5/CP.22 Review and report of the AC 58

Decision 6/CP.22 National adaptation plans 61

2015 62

Decision 1/CP.21 Adoption of the Paris Agreement 62

Decision 3/CP.21 Report of the AC 65

Decision 4/CP.21 National adaptation plans 66

SBI42 Conclusions (Agenda item 7) National adaptation plans ... 68

2014 ..... **69**

Decision 3/CP.20 National adaptation plans 69

Decision 4/CP.20 Report of the Adaptation Committee 69

SBSTA 41 Conclusions (Agenda item 3) Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change 74

SBI40 Conclusions (Agenda item 8) National adaptation plans ... 76

SBSTA40 Conclusions (Agenda item 3) Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change 77

2013 ..... **78**

Decision 16/CP.19 Work of the Adaptation Committee 78

Decision 17/CP.19 Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change 80

SBSTA38 Conclusions (Agenda item 3) Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change 80

2012 ..... **80**

Decision 1/CP.18 Agreed outcome pursuant to the Bali Action Plan 80

Decision 6/CP.18 Report of the Green Climate Fund to the Conference of the Parties and guidance to the Green Climate Fund 81

Decision 11/CP.18 Work of the Adaptation Committee 81

Decision 12/CP.18 National adaptation plans 83

2011 ..... **84**

Decision 2/CP.17 Outcome of the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention 84

Decision 3/CP.17 Launching the Green Climate Fund 91

Decision 5/CP.17 National adaptation plans 91

2010 ..... **92**

Decision 1/CP.16 The Cancun Agreements: Outcome of the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention 92

2026

SB 64 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda sub-item 4b / SBI Agenda sub-item 10b) Review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee

33. At the 1st meeting, the SBSTA and the SBI agreed to defer consideration of this matter to SB 65 (November 2026).[2]

66. At the 1st meeting, the SBI and the SBSTA agreed to defer consideration of this matter to SB 65.[3]

SB 64 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda sub-item 4(c)) Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change

48. The SBSTA also emphasized the importance of ensuring alignment and complementarity between activities under the NWP and relevant adaptation-related work under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, including the work of UNFCCC constituted bodies such as the Least Developed Countries Expert Group and the Adaptation Committee, while avoiding duplication of efforts and ensuring that activities under the NWP remain within the mandate of the NWP.

SB 64 Conclusions (SBI Agenda sub-item 11) Matters relating to the least developed countries

[2] FCCC/SBI/2026/15

[3] FCCC/SBSTA/2026/5

84. The SBI also recalled paragraph 12 of decision 8/CP.30, in which the LEG was requested to compile from relevant reports, in collaboration with the Adaptation Committee and the Standing Committee on Finance, an overview of climate finance flows and financial support provided by developed country Parties to developing country Parties for formulating and implementing NAPs for inclusion in the 2026 report on progress in the process to formulate and implement NAPs to be prepared for consideration at SBI 65.

2025

Decision 1/CMA.7 Global Mutirão: uniting humanity in a global mobilization against climate change

37. Recalls its request to the Paris Committee on Capacity-building[4] to identify, in coordination with Parties, other UNFCCC constituted bodies and programmes, and other stakeholders, current activities for enhancing the capacity of developing country Parties to prepare and implement nationally determined contributions;

Decision 2/CMA.7 United Arab Emirates just transition work programme

16. Invites the UNFCCC constituted bodies to integrate just transition elements and outcomes of the work programme into their existing workplans to promote synergies and include in their regular reports information on progress in implementing related activities;

[4] Decision 1/CMA.5, para. 117.

Decision 3/CMA.7 Matters relating to the global stocktake

6. Invites Parties, observers and other non-Party stakeholders, constituted bodies under or serving the Convention and/or the Paris Agreement, and international organizations to submit views on experience, opportunities, challenges, barriers and needs as inputs to the dialogue via the submission portal[5] by no later than three months prior to each dialogue;

18. Recalls paragraph 24 of decision 19/CMA.1 and encourages the relevant constituted bodies and forums and other institutional arrangements under or serving the Paris Agreement and/or the Convention, including those established after the adoption of decision 19/CMA.1, to consider opportunities for streamlining the information provided in their reports for the global stocktake without compromising the quality and integrity of the information contained therein;

Decision 4/CMA.7 Guidance relating to adaptation communications

3. Also recognizes the value of the supplementary guidance for voluntary use by Parties in communicating information in accordance with the possible elements of an adaptation communication,[6] prepared

[5] https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx.
[6] FCCC/SB/2022/5/Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1.

by the Adaptation Committee, and requests the secretariat to make the guidance available in all official United Nations languages;

Decision 11/CMA.7 Sharm el-Sheikh dialogue on the scope of Article 2, paragraph 1(c), of the Paris Agreement and its complementarity with Article 9 of the Paris Agreement

19. Invites Parties, the UNFCCC constituted bodies, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, international financial institutions, observers and other stakeholders, particularly from the private sector, to submit views on the organization of the Veredas Dialogue via the submission portal[7] by 28 February, on an annual basis;

Decision 12/CMA.7 Global goal on adaptation

14. Recalls paragraphs 44–45 of decision 2/CMA.5 and requests the Adaptation Committee, the Consultative Group of Experts and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group to provide technical guidance and support to Parties for implementing the United Arab Emirates Framework for Global Climate Resilience and reporting thereon, including by developing tabular formats in accordance with paragraph 109(a) of the modalities, procedures and guidelines for the transparency framework for action and support referred to in Article 13 of the Paris Agreement,[8] and for integrating the United Arab Emirates Framework for Global Climate Resilience into national

[7] https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx.
[8] Decision 18/CMA.1, annex.

adaptation plans, and local and regional plans and action for monitoring, evaluation and learning, including through the updated national adaptation plan technical guidelines;[9]

15. Invites the Adaptation Committee to analyse the information on the thematic and dimensional targets referred to in paragraphs 9 and 10 respectively of decision 2/CMA.5, including on means of implementation, contained in biennial transparency reports, adaptation communications, national adaptation plans, nationally determined contributions and national communications through the lens of those thematic and dimensional targets with a view to assessing progress under the global goal on adaptation and future global stocktakes;

16. Requests the secretariat to prepare a technical paper, for consideration by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at the latest at its eighth session, on the targets outlined in paragraphs 9–10 of decision 2/CMA.5, and the Belém Adaptation Indicators, by 30 September 2026, which will (1) consider the use of the Indicators; (2) include a mapping of existing synthesis report processes on adaptation information relevant to the global goal on adaptation; (3) identify synergies as well as gaps and potential ways to fill those gaps; and (4) analyse guidelines, tools and methodologies for aggregating the Belém Adaptation Indicators under the United Arab Emirates Framework for Global Climate Resilience;

23. Requests the subsidiary bodies to undertake technical work on improving metadata and methodologies for the Belém Adaptation Indicators, to be considered by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its ninth

[9] Least Developed Countries Expert Group. 2025. *The NAP Technical Guidelines: Updated technical guidelines for the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans*. Bonn: UNFCCC. Available at https://napcentral.org/nap-guidelines.

session (November 2027), including by establishing a technical task force to contribute to that work;

24. Invites the Adaptation Committee, the Least Developed Countries Expert Group and other relevant UNFCCC constituted bodies and representatives of relevant processes to participate in the technical work referred to in paragraph 23 above;

26. Emphasizes that work under the Baku Adaptation Road Map referred to in paragraph 29 of decision 3/CMA.6 should bring coherence to the UNFCCC adaptation architecture and avoid duplication of work by leveraging the mandates of and outputs of work under constituted bodies and work programmes, including the Adaptation Committee, the Least Developed Countries Expert Group and the Nairobi work programme, and also emphasizes the need for cooperation with regional adaptation networks, the private sector and research institutions in recognition of the important roles played by diverse actors in implementing the United Arab Emirates Framework for Global Climate Resilience;

Decision 15/CMA.7 Provision of financial and technical support to developing country Parties for reporting and capacity-building

9. Requests the secretariat to develop and implement, in collaboration with the Consultative Group of Experts and other constituted bodies and relevant partners, as appropriate, the following initial list of activities:

(a) Conducting a survey to gather information from Parties about the benefits and outcomes of and lessons learned from the

implementation of activities mandated in decisions 18/CMA.5 and 21/CMA.6;

(b) Preparing a report on the survey referred to in paragraph 9(a) above for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its sixty-fourth session (June 2026) with a view to informing the activities referred to in paragraph 9(c–i) below so as to maximize their reach and effectiveness;

(c) Inviting Parties to submit views via the submission portal[10] on experience and challenges related to implementing Article 13 of the Paris Agreement, including on preparing biennial transparency reports, establishing institutional arrangements, making projections of greenhouse gases, using data management tools and project management tools for preparing biennial transparency reports, stakeholder engagement, tracking support needed and received, navigating the modalities, procedures and guidelines for the transparency framework for action and support referred to in Article 13 of the Paris Agreement, including the flexibility provisions therein, and managing human resources;

(d) Preparing a synthesis report on the submissions referred to in paragraph 9(c) above, as well as on information reported in developing country Parties' biennial transparency reports, to be made available no later than three weeks prior to the first regular session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation of the year;

(e) Organizing a workshop in world café format, to be held at the first regular session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation of the year, for:

[10] https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx.

(i) Parties to reflect on the report referred to in paragraph 9(b) above, the submissions referred to in paragraph 9(c) above and the synthesis report referred to in paragraph 9(d) above;

(ii) Parties to engage in a structured dialogue with the Global Environment Facility and its implementing agencies, as appropriate, with a view to exploring opportunities for further simplifying and streamlining the process referred to in paragraph 6 above;

(f) Preparing a summary report on the workshop referred to in paragraph 9(e) above, to be made available no later than three weeks prior to the second regular session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation of the year;

(g) Organizing regional workshops, to be held in person and virtually, on experience, best practices, lessons learned and challenges related to implementing Article 13 of the Paris Agreement;

(h) Preparing summary reports on the regional workshops referred to in paragraph 9(g) above, to be made available no later than three weeks prior to the second regular session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation of the year;

(i) Organizing a workshop in world café format, to be held at the second regular session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation of the year, for considering the outcomes of all activities mentioned in paragraph 9(a–h) above with a view to informing the next annual cycle of activities;

10. Agrees to implement the activities referred to in paragraph 9 above on an annual basis in 2026–2028;

Decision 22/CMA.7 Review of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts

27. Requests the Executive Committee, including through its expert groups, technical expert group and task force, and the Advisory Board, in undertaking their work, to enhance collaboration with constituted bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement within their respective mandates, as well as with relevant organizations and other stakeholders outside the UNFCCC process, including those engaged in disaster risk reduction and the humanitarian system, drawing on the best available information and expertise relevant to their work, including by forming partnerships for collaborative work;

Decision 25/CMA.7 Annual technical progress report of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for 2025

1. Welcomes the annual technical progress report of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for 2025[11] and takes note of the recommendations therein;

2. Encourages Parties, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, the constituted bodies under the Paris Agreement, United Nations organizations, observers and other stakeholders to consider the recommendations referred to in paragraph 1 above and take any necessary action, as appropriate and in accordance with their mandates;

[11] FCCC/SBI/2025/13.

Decision 27/CMA.7 Matters relating to Action for Climate Empowerment

4. Decide that the 2026 Dialogue on Action for Climate Empowerment, to be held at the sixty-fourth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (June 2026), should facilitate inputs to inform the midterm review of the Glasgow work programme on Action for Climate Empowerment, by focusing on the effectiveness of the work programme and any emerging gaps and needs relating to its implementation, and to inform any discussions on improving the work programme, as appropriate;[12]

5. Request the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to organize an interactive technical workshop, to be held at the 2026 Dialogue on Action for Climate Empowerment, for a broad range of participants, including representatives of Parties, UNFCCC constituted bodies and work programmes, and other stakeholders, as well as experts and practitioners, to discuss potential elements for a new action plan under the work programme;

Decision 7/CP.30 Belém gender action plan*

8. Invites Parties, United Nations entities, the constituted bodies and relevant organizations to submit, in accordance with their

[12] See para. 11(g) of decisions 18/CP.26 and 22/CMA.3.

[*] Activities, deliverables and timelines under the Belém gender action plan specifically relevant for constituted bodies are C.1, C.2, C.3, D.2 and D.4; see annex to decision 7/CP.30 for details.

respective mandates and priorities, views on progress, challenges and further work to be undertaken in implementing the Belém gender action plan via the submission portal[13] by 23 February 2029 with a view to the submissions informing the review of the implementation of the Belém gender action plan;

12. Also invites Parties, United Nations entities, UNFCCC constituted bodies, implementing entities, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and other relevant stakeholders to enhance implementation of the Belém gender action plan;

Decision 8/CP.30 National adaptation plans

12. Requests the Least Developed Countries Expert Group to compile from relevant reports, in collaboration with the Adaptation Committee and the Standing Committee on Finance, an overview of climate finance flows and financial support provided by developed country Parties to developing country Parties for formulating and implementing national adaptation plans for inclusion in the 2026 report on progress in the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans to be prepared for consideration at the sixty-fifth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (November 2026);

17. Notes the gaps and needs referred to in the 2024 synthesis report by the secretariat on progress towards the achievement of the objectives of the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans,[14] including in terms of the provision of adequate and predictable finance, technology transfer and capacity-building support, and in relation to access to adequate data on downscaled and

[13] https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx.
[14] FCCC/SBI/2024/10.

localized climate scenarios for use in impact, vulnerability and risk assessments, and to tools for collecting and assimilating national data on climate variables and on socioeconomic risks and vulnerabilities and for designing adaptation actions to address medium- and long-term needs;

18. Requests the Adaptation Committee and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, in line with their respective mandates, to enhance their work on addressing the gaps and needs referred to in paragraph 17 above and to include information thereon in their annual reports to the relevant governing body or bodies;

19. Also requests the Least Developed Countries Expert Group to prepare, in collaboration with the Adaptation Committee, a technical paper on how the least developed countries and small island developing States are integrating different adaptation approaches into the national adaptation plans;

Report of the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session, Part one: Proceedings. Agenda sub-item 6(a) Report of the Adaptation Committee

85. At its resumed 1st meeting, the COP noted that this matter was on the agendas of the SBSTA and the SBI.[15]

[15] SBSTA 63 agenda sub-item 5(b) and SBI 63 agenda sub-item 12(b), "Report of the Adaptation Committee".

86. On recommendations of the subsidiary bodies,[16] at its 3rd meeting the COP welcomed the 2025 report of the Adaptation Committee.[17]

87. At its 6th meeting, on a proposal by the President, the COP elected members to the Adaptation Committee, as reflected in the annex.

Report of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its seventh session, Part one: Proceedings. Agenda sub-item 8(b) Report of the Adaptation Committee

75. At its resumed 1st meeting, the CMA noted that this matter was on the agendas of the SBSTA and the SBI.[18]

76. On recommendations of the subsidiary bodies,[19] at its 3rd meeting the CMA welcomed the 2025 report of the Adaptation Committee.[20]

[16] See documents FCCC/SBSTA/2025/7, para. 41, and FCCC/SBI/2025/19, para. 82.
[17] FCCC/SB/2025/7.
[18] SBSTA 63 agenda sub-item 5(b) and SBI 63 agenda sub-item 12(b), "Report of the Adaptation Committee".
[19] See documents FCCC/SBSTA/2025/7, para. 41, and FCCC/SBI/2025/19, para. 82.
[20] FCCC/SB/2025/7.

Report of the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session, Part one: Proceedings. Agenda sub-item 6(b) Review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee

88. At its resumed 1st meeting, the COP noted that this matter was on the agendas of the SBSTA and the SBI.[21]

89. At the resumed 6th meeting, the President informed Parties that the subsidiary bodies had agreed at their opening plenaries to defer consideration of this matter to SB 64.[22]

Report of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its seventh session, Part one: Proceedings. Agenda sub-item 8(c) Review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee

77. At its resumed 1st meeting, the CMA noted that this matter was on the agendas of the SBSTA and the SBI.[23]

[21] SBSTA 63 agenda sub-item 5(c) and SBI 63 agenda sub-item 12(c), "Review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee".
[22] See documents FCCC/SBSTA/2025/7, para. 42, and FCCC/SBI/2025/19, para. 83.
[23] SBSTA 63 agenda sub-item 5(c) and SBI 63 agenda sub-item 12(c), "Review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee".

78. At the resumed 6th meeting, the President informed Parties that the subsidiary bodies had agreed at their opening plenaries to defer consideration of this matter to SB 64.[24]

SB 62 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda sub-item 5b / SBI Agenda sub-item 11b) Review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee

105. At its 1st meeting, the SBI agreed that this item would be considered together with the equally titled SBSTA 62 agenda sub-item 5(b) in informal consultations co-facilitated by Geert Fremout (Belgium) and Lina Yassin (Sudan).

106. At the 3rd meeting, the Chair informed the SBI that Parties could not conclude consideration of the matter at this session. In accordance with rules 10(c) and 16 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, the matter will be included in the provisional agenda for SBI 63.

SBI 62 Conclusions (SBI Agenda item 12) Matters relating to the least developed countries

120. The SBI welcomed and encouraged the enhancement of collaboration and coordination between the LEG and the Adaptation Committee and other UNFCCC constituted bodies on adaptation-related activities, including the practice of inviting representatives of

[24] See documents FCCC/SBSTA/2025/7, para. 42, and FCCC/SBI/2025/19, para. 83.

those bodies to participate and engage in the meetings and relevant events of the LEG.

SB 62 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda item 10 / SBI Agenda item 10) Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security

63. The SBI and the SBSTA welcomed the first annual synthesis report on work undertaken by constituted bodies and financial and other entities under the Convention, as well as by relevant international organizations, on activities related to the Sharm el-Sheikh joint work.[25] They noted that the reporting period starts from 2013 in order for the synthesis to encompass activities related to implementing the outcomes of the Koronivia joint work on agriculture and previous activities addressing issues related to agriculture.

64. The SBI and the SBSTA requested the secretariat to present clear and specific information on how constituted bodies and financial and other entities under the Convention, as well as relevant international organizations, have taken into account decision 3/CP.27 in their work in the second such annual synthesis report, to be prepared for consideration at SB 64 (June 2026).

65. To assist with preparing the next annual synthesis report, the SBI and the SBSTA recalled the invitation[26] to relevant international organizations to submit information on their activities related to the Sharm el-Sheikh joint work by 31 December each year and requested the secretariat to invite constituted bodies and financial and other

[25] FCCC/SB/2025/4, prepared in accordance with decision 3/CP.27, para. 15(a).
[26] FCCC/SBSTA/2024/7, para. 111, and FCCC/SBI/2024/13, para. 58.

entities under the Convention to submit information to the secretariat, as well as to invite representatives of initiatives of COP Presidencies and the high-level champions to submit information via the Sharm el-Sheikh online portal[27] by 31 December 2025 on activities related to the Sharm el-Sheikh joint work.

68. The SBI and the SBSTA expressed appreciation to the speakers at the workshop and took note of the keynote speeches and presentations[28] that took place, and the views expressed by observer organizations, financial entities and constituted bodies, during the workshop referred to in paragraph 67 above, as well as that the workshop presented an opportunity for participants to exchange information pertaining to the Sharm el-Sheikh joint work.

SBSTA 62 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda sub-item 5(c)) Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change

72. The SBSTA underlined the role of the NWP in delivering knowledge and expertise to the UNFCCC constituted bodies to support the implementation of their workplans in line with their respective mandates and functions, including in the context of the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans.[29]

[27] https://unfccc.int/topics/land-use/workstreams/agriculture/sharm-el-sheikh-online-portal.
[28] Available at https://unfccc.int/event/workshop-on-systemic-and-holistic-approaches-toimplementation-of-climate-action-on-agriculture-food.
[29] See document FCCC/SBSTA/2022/6, para. 15(d).

2024

Decision 3/CMA.6 Global goal on adaptation

The CMA:

1. Welcomes the convening[30] by the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies of technical experts to assist in the technical work under the United Arab Emirates–Belém work programme on indicators for measuring progress achieved towards the targets referred to in paragraphs 9–10 of decision 2/CMA.5, including reviewing and refining the compilation and mapping of existing indicators relevant to measuring that progress;

4. Welcomes the contribution of the Adaptation Committee to the compilation and mapping referred to in paragraph 1 above;[31]

33. Emphasizes the importance of the exchange of knowledge, experience and information and sharing of best practices pertaining to the targets referred to in paragraphs 9–10 of decision 2/CMA.5, including through the work of the Adaptation Committee, the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, the Facilitative Working Group of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform and other constituted bodies, and the Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change, and at other adaptation forums;

[30] As per documents FCCC/SBSTA/2024/7, para. 43, and FCCC/SBI/2024/13, para. 81.
[31] As per documents FCCC/SBSTA/2024/7, para. 42, and FCCC/SBI/2024/13, para. 80.

Decision 20/CMA.6 Annual technical progress report of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for 2024

The CMA:

1. Welcomes the annual technical progress report of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for 2024[32] and takes note of the recommendations therein;

3. Invites Parties, as appropriate, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, the constituted bodies under the Paris Agreement, United Nations organizations, observers and other stakeholders to consider the recommendations referred to in paragraph 2 above and to take any necessary action, as appropriate and in accordance with their mandates;

Decision 2/CP.29 Matters relating to the Standing Committee on Finance

20. The COP recalls concerns about the working modalities of the Standing Committee on Finance for preparing the draft guidance for the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism in accordance with its mandate, and the request to Parties and other constituted bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement to provide elements for the draft guidance well in advance of future sessions of the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement to enable the Committee to fulfil its mandate in this regard;[33]

[32] FCCC/SBI/2024/19.
[33] See decisions 14/CP.27, para. 13, and 5/CP.28, para. 13.

Decision 7/CP.29 Gender and climate change

18. The COP requests all constituted bodies to continue to include in their regular reports information on progress towards integrating a gender perspective into their processes;

Report of the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-ninth Session, Part one: Proceedings. Agenda sub-item 6(a) Report of the Adaptation Committee

70. On the recommendations of the subsidiary bodies,[34] at its 5th meeting the COP welcomed the 2023 and 2024 reports of the Adaptation Committee[35].

Report of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its sixth session, Part one: Proceedings. Agenda sub-item 9(b) Report of the Adaptation Committee

59. At its 5th meeting, on recommendations by the subsidiary bodies,[36] the CMA welcomed the 2023 and 2024 reports of the Adaptation Committee.[37]

[34] FCCC/SBSTA/2024/10, para. 41, and FCCC/SBI/2024/25, para. 79.
[35] FCCC/SB/2023/5 and FCCC/SB/2024/4.
[36] FCCC/SBSTA/2024/10, para. 41, and FCCC/SBI/2024/25, para. 79.
[37] FCCC/SB/2023/5 and FCCC/SB/2024/4.

SB 60 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda item 5a / SBI Agenda item 10a) Matters relating to the global goal on adaptation

76. The SBI and the SBSTA invited Parties and non-Party stakeholders, including relevant UNFCCC constituted bodies, United Nations organizations and specialized agencies, and other relevant organizations from all geographical regions, to submit via the submission portal by 31 July 2024 information on existing indicators for measuring progress towards the targets referred to in paragraphs 9–10 of decision 2/CMA.5 in use at the local, national, regional and global level, including, if available, information on associated methodologies and data readiness for such indicators, as well as

77. The SBI and the SBSTA requested their Chairs to prepare, with the support of the secretariat, in collaboration with relevant United Nations organizations and specialized agencies, and with contributions from relevant constituted bodies, a compilation and mapping of existing indicators relevant to measuring progress towards the targets referred to in paragraphs 9–10 of decision 2/CMA.5, including information on areas potentially not covered by existing indicators, in advance of the workshop referred to in paragraph 89 below, taking into account the submissions referred to in paragraph 76 above and the sources of information under the United Arab Emirates Framework for Global Climate Resilience referred to in paragraph 15 of decision 2/CMA.5.

80. **The SBI and the SBSTA invited the Adaptation Committee to prepare a contribution to the compilation and mapping** referred to in paragraph 77 **by identifying information on indicators reported by Parties in their national reports and communications** in the context of the work referred to in paragraph 45 of decision 2/CMA.5.

89. The SBI and the SBSTA requested their Chairs to organize, with the support of the secretariat, a hybrid workshop for Parties and the technical experts referred to in paragraph 81 above, following the completion of the mapping referred to in paragraph 77 above and prior to CMA 6, with the aim of:

(a) Facilitating expert review and refinement of the mapping referred to in paragraph 77 above;

(b) Enabling a dialogue between Parties and the technical experts referred to in paragraph 81 above on the mapping and providing an opportunity for the technical experts to clarify the methodologies and assumptions used in refining the mapping;

(c) Providing Parties with the opportunity to reflect on the outcome of the mapping and on progress in the work on indicators in preparation for CMA 7.

SB 60 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda item 5b / SBI Agenda item 10b) Report of the AC and review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC

103. **The SBI and the SBSTA recommended that COP 29 and CMA 6 take note of the report of the AC for 2023**.[38]

104. **The SBI and the SBSTA agreed to continue consideration of the review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC[39] at SB 61**.

[38] FCCC/SB/2023/5.
[39] Pursuant to decisions 5/CP.22, para. 11, 2/CP.26, para. 8, 8/CP.27, para. 3, and 10/CMA.4, para. 4.

105. The SBI and the SBSTA also agreed to **consider the annual report of the AC and the review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC under two separate agenda sub-items at future sessions**.

2023

Decision 1/CMA.5 Outcome of the first global stocktake

186. Invites the relevant work programmes and constituted bodies under or serving the Paris Agreement to **integrate relevant outcomes of the first global stocktake in planning their future work**, in line with their mandates;

Decision 2/CMA.5 Glasgow–Sharm el-Sheikh work programme on the global goal on adaptation referred to in decision 7/CMA.3

44. Invites the AC, in collaboration with the Consultative Group of Experts (CGE) and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG), to support the implementation of the UAE Framework for Global Climate Resilience with **technical guidance and training materials** thereon;

45. Also invites the AC, in collaboration with the CGE and the LEG, to **develop recommendations on how to improve reporting on adaptation action and progress**, including with a view to informing the review and update, as appropriate, of the modalities, procedures and guidelines for the transparency framework for action and support referred to in Article 13 of the Paris Agreement contained in the annex

to decision 18/CMA.1 and the review of the training course referred to in decision 9/CMA.4, paragraph 10;

SB 59 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda item 3b / SBI Agenda item 12b) Report of the AC and review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC

The item will be included in the provisional agenda for the next session, in accordance with rule 10 (c) and 16 of the draft rules of procedure.

SBI 59 Conclusions (Agenda item 12c) National adaptation plans

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) considered information on progress, challenges, gaps and needs in relation to the formulation and implementation of NAPs and related information provided by the AC and the LEG at this session.

2. The SBI recalled the request[40] to the AC and the LEG to **organize training for developing country Parties on addressing identified gaps and needs**, which could be held in conjunction with the NAP Expo, the Adaptation Forum or other events outlined in their respective work programmes.

3. The SBI noted the actions and steps necessary for it to initiate the assessment of progress in the process to formulate and implement NAPs, which include the issuance of a call for submissions on the matter from Parties and relevant organizations by 1 February 2024,

[40] Decision 9/CP.27, para. 9.

the preparation by the secretariat of a synthesis report on the matter, the organization by the LEG, in collaboration with the AC and with the support of the secretariat, of a meeting of Party experts to consider that synthesis report and the preparation of a report on that meeting,[41] and invited Parties and relevant organizations to contribute to the assessment in a timely manner.

4. The SBI agreed to continue consideration of this matter at SBI 60 (June 2024) including in the context of the assessment referred to in paragraph 3 above.

SBI 59 Conclusions (Agenda item 14) Matters relating to the least developed countries

16. The SBI requested the LEG to continue collaborating with the AC and other UNFCCC constituted bodies that are undertaking adaptation activities as part of their work, as well as on work under the Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change (NWP), in providing support to the LDCs for the process to formulate and implement NAPs and to include information thereon in its reports to the SBI.

[41] As per decision 3/CP.26, para. 3.

2022

Decision 8/CP.27 Report of the AC for 2022 and review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC

The Conference of the Parties

1. Welcomes the work of the AC in 2022 and takes note of the report of the AC covering its work between September 2021 and September 2022, contained in document FCCC/SB/2022/5 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1 and Add. 2, and the recommendations therein;

2. Also takes note of the progress of the AC in improving its outreach and communication efforts and encourages the Committee to make further use of platforms for outreach, communication in languages other than English and the organization of regional events and knowledge dialogues as ways to improve the dissemination, understanding and use of its knowledge products by organizations and practitioners within and outside the UNFCCC process and in all geographical regions;

3. Notes that considerations of the review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC could not be completed at this session and will therefore continue at the fifty-eighth sessions of the subsidiary bodies (June 2023);

4. Encourages Parties to make available sufficient resources for the successful and timely implementation of the flexible workplan of the AC for 2022–2024.

Decision 9/CP.27 National adaptation plans

4. Expresses concern at the large number of countries that have not been able to submit their first national adaptation plan and in this respect notes the challenges, complexities and delays experienced by developing country Parties in accessing funding and support from the Green Climate Fund (GCF) for the formulation and implementation of NAPs, particularly in relation to the submission and review of proposals for funding;

5. Invites the AC and the LEG, in line with their mandates, to **continue formulating recommendations on ways to facilitate the mobilization of support** for the formulation and implementation of NAPs with a view to addressing the challenges referred to in paragraph 4 above and to submit the recommendations to the Standing Committee on Finance (SCF) for consideration;

7. Requests the AC and the LEG to **continue to identify the priority gaps and needs** of developing countries related to the process to formulate and implement NAPs, the progress of each country in this process and any obstacles and challenges faced;

8. Also requests the AC and the LEG to **enhance their work in addressing the priority gaps and needs**, obstacles and challenges identified through their work referred to in paragraph 5 above and to include information thereon in their reports;

9. Further requests the AC and the LEG to **organize training for developing country Parties on addressing identified gaps and needs**, which could be held in conjunction with the NAP Expo, the Adaptation Forum or other events outlined in their respective work programmes;

10. Invites other UNFCCC constituted bodies and relevant organizations to provide information to the AC and the LEG on activities that have the aim of addressing gaps and needs related to the process to formulate and implement NAPs, including information on the regions and countries in which the constituted bodies and organizations provide support;

11. Notes that the technical resources developed and the scientific resources synthesized by the AC and the LEG can assist developing countries in addressing gaps and needs related to the process to formulate and implement NAPs, including in assessing adaptation needs, applying regional approaches to adaptation planning, promoting linkages between adaptation and development, and strengthening gender considerations in NAPs;

Decision 3/CMA.4 Glasgow–Sharm el-Sheikh work programme on the global goal on adaptation referred to in decision 7/CMA.3

22. Also invites the AC, with the support of the secretariat, the IPCC, as appropriate, and other relevant constituted bodies and experts to **continue contributing to the Glasgow–Sharm el-Sheikh work programme in 2023**, including by sharing their work related to indicators, metrics and targets at different levels of governance, and other relevant areas;

Decision 10/CMA.4 Report of the AC for 2022 and review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC

The CMA

1. Welcomes the work of the AC in 2022 and takes note of the report of the AC covering its work between September 2021 and September

2022, contained in document FCCC/SB/2022/5 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1 and Add. 2, and the recommendations therein;

2. Also takes note of the progress of the AC in improving its outreach and communication efforts and encourages the Committee to make further use of platforms for outreach, communication in languages other than English and the organization of regional events and knowledge dialogues as ways to improve the dissemination, understanding and use of its knowledge products by organizations and practitioners within and outside the UNFCCC process and in all geographical regions;

3. Takes note of the engagement of the AC with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) with regard to its work in relation to decisions 9/CMA.1, paragraph 15, and 11/CMA.1, paragraph 17, and requests the AC to further engage with the IPCC on technical and substantive work;

4. Notes that considerations of the review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC as it relates to the Paris Agreement could not be completed at this session and will therefore continue at the fifty-eighth sessions of the subsidiary bodies (June 2023);

5. Encourages Parties to make available sufficient resources for the successful and timely implementation of the flexible workplan of the AC for 2022–2024.

2021

Decision 2/CP.26 Report of the AC (for 2019, 2020 and 2021)

The COP,

1. Welcomes the work of the AC in 2019, 2020 and 2021 and takes note of the AC's 2019, 2020 and 2021 reports;

2. Welcomes the technical support and guidance provided by the AC for enhancing implementation of adaptation action and support and underlines the importance of balanced, clear and relevant recommendations for all workstream activities in its workplans;

3. Welcomes the flexible workplan of the AC for 2022–2024;

4. Invites the AC to improve its efforts to measure the outreach of its events and publications by including, in its flexible workplan, the **collection of statistics disaggregated by gender and region on its awareness-raising, outreach and information-sharing efforts** such as events and publications;

5. Requests the AC to resume holding its regular meetings and events in person while offering the option of virtual attendance to ensure inclusive participation, including by observers, while acknowledging the challenges posed by online participation;

6. Invites Parties to identify one or more **adaptation contact points** through their UNFCCC national focal points with a view to enhancing the dissemination of information between Parties and the AC and the LEG, as well as other relevant organizations and programme partners, such as partners of the NWP, including on Parties' efforts to formulate and implement NAPs;

7. Recalls decision 5/CP.22, mandating the review at its twenty-seventh session of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC;

8. Invites the CMA at its fourth session (November 2022), as provided in decision 11/CMA.1, to participate in the review referred to in paragraph 7 above as it relates to the Paris Agreement;

9. Welcomes the efforts of Parties that made submissions on the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC and takes note of their relevance for the review referred to in paragraph 7 above;

10. Reiterates its invitation to Parties to submit views on the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC and on the review process, with a view to informing that process, via the submission portal no later than three months prior to the twenty-seventh session of the COP;

11. Encourages Parties to make available sufficient resources for the successful and timely implementation of the flexible workplan of the AC for 2022–2024.

Decision 3/CP.26 National adaptation plans

2. Requests the SBI, at its sixtieth session (June 2024), to initiate the assessment of progress in the process to formulate and implement NAPs referred to in decision 8/CP.24, paragraph 19, and to make recommendations on this matter for consideration and adoption by the COP at its twenty-ninth session (November 2024);

3. Decides on the following actions and steps necessary for the SBI to initiate the assessment referred to in paragraph 2 above:

(a) Invite Parties and relevant organizations to submit to the secretariat, by 1 February 2024, information on their progress towards the achievement of the objectives of the process to formulate and implement NAPs, as well as on their experience, best practices, lessons learned, gaps and needs, and support provided and received;

(b) Invite Parties to provide information, guided by a questionnaire, on an ongoing basis through NAP Central;

(c) Request the secretariat to prepare a synthesis report on the progress towards the achievement of the objectives of the process to formulate and implement NAPs, as well as on experience, best practices, lessons learned, gaps and needs, and support provided and received, taking into account information contained in national reports under the Convention, the information referred to in paragraph 3(a–b) above, information from relevant events, including the NAP Expos, and information from other relevant sources;

(d) Request the LEG, in collaboration with the AC, to **organize a meeting of Party experts**, at which the report referred to in paragraph 3(c) above would be considered, with a view to providing a summary of progress in the process to formulate and implement NAPs;

(e) Request the LEG, in collaboration with the AC and with the support of the secretariat, to prepare a **report on the meeting** referred to in paragraph 3(d) above, for consideration by the SBI at its sixtieth session in its assessment of progress in the process to formulate and implement NAPs;

Decision 7/CMA.3 Glasgow–Sharm el-Sheikh work programme on the global goal on adaptation

5. Invites the subsidiary bodies to carry out the work programme with **contributions** from the current and incoming Presidencies of the COP, the AC, Working Group II of the IPCC, as appropriate, and other relevant constituted bodies and experts;

9. Decides that activities carried out under the work programme should build on the work of the AC related to the global goal on adaptation, draw on a variety of sources of information and inputs, including NAPs and adaptation communications, take into account traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous peoples and local knowledge systems, and be gender-responsive;

Decision 8/CMA.3 Report of the AC for 2019, 2020 and 2021

Decision 8/CMA.3 Report of the AC for 2019, 2020 and 2021

The CMA,

1. Welcomes the work of the AC in 2019, 2020 and 2021 and takes note of the AC's 2019, 2020 and 2021 reports;

2. Welcomes the technical support and guidance provided by the AC for enhancing implementation of adaptation action and support and underlines the importance of balanced, clear and relevant recommendations for all workstream activities in its workplans;

3. Welcomes the flexible workplan of the AC for 2022–2024;

4. Invites the AC to improve its efforts to measure the outreach of its events and publications by including, in its flexible workplan, the **collection of statistics disaggregated by gender and region on its awareness-raising, outreach and information-sharing efforts such as events and publications**;

5. Requests the AC to resume holding its regular meetings and events in person while offering the option of virtual attendance to ensure inclusive participation, including by observers, while acknowledging the challenges posed by online participation;

6. Also requests the AC, with the engagement of Working Group II of the IPCC, as appropriate, to expedite its work, to ensure delivery within the mandated timelines, on developing the draft supplementary guidance for voluntary use by Parties in communicating adaptation information in accordance with the elements contained in the annex to decision 9/CMA.13 and on producing the technical paper on methodologies for assessing adaptation needs;

7. Encourages Parties to make available sufficient resources for the successful and timely implementation of the flexible workplan of the AC for 2022–2024.

2019

Decision 3/CP.25 Enhanced Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan

Annex

Gender action plan

C.2 Facilitate the exchange of views and best practices of the Chairs of constituted bodies on how to strengthen the integration of the gender perspective into their work, taking into account the synthesis reports on progress in integrating a gender perspective into constituted body processes referred to in paragraph 15(b) of this decision	Leading: Chairs of constituted bodies Contributing: secretariat	SB 56 (2022)	Selection of topics for dialogue	International
	Leading: secretariat Contributing: relevant organizations	SB 56 (2022)	Compilation of good practices for integrating gender into the work of the constituted bodies	International
	Leading: Chairs of constituted bodies Contributing: secretariat	SB 58 (2023)	Dialogue	International
	Secretariat	SB 59 (2023)	Dialogue report	International

Decision 7/CP.25 National adaptation plans

3. Requests the AC, through its task force on NAPs, and the LEG to **continue to include in their reports information on the gaps and needs related to the process to formulate and implement NAPs** identified in undertaking their mandated work and on how to address them;

4. Invites constituted bodies and other organizations to provide information to the AC and the LEG on activities undertaken to address gaps and needs related to the process to formulate and implement NAPs;

Decision 9/CMA.1 Further guidance in relation to the adaptation communication, including, inter alia, as a component of nationally determined contributions, referred to in Article 7, paragraphs 10 and 11, of the Paris Agreement

15. Requests the **AC to develop, with the engagement of the IPCC Working Group II, using relevant existing guidance as a starting point, as appropriate, by June 2022, draft supplementary guidance for voluntary use by Parties** in communicating

information in accordance with the elements contained in the annex, for consideration by the subsidiary bodies at their fifty-seventh sessions (November 2022) in the context of their consideration of the report of the AC;

Annex

Elements of an adaptation communication

An adaptation communication may include information on the following elements:

(a) National circumstances, institutional arrangements and legal frameworks;

(b) Impacts, risks and vulnerabilities, as appropriate;

(c) National adaptation priorities, strategies, policies, plans, goals and actions;

(d) Implementation and support needs of, and provision of support to, developing country Parties;

(e) Implementation of adaptation actions and plans, including:

(i) Progress and results achieved;

(ii) Adaptation efforts of developing countries for recognition;

(iii) Cooperation on enhancing adaptation at the national, regional and international level, as appropriate;

(iv) Barriers, challenges and gaps related to the implementation of adaptation;

(v) Good practices, lessons learned and information-sharing;

(vi) Monitoring and evaluation;

(f) Adaptation actions and/or economic diversification plans, including those that result in mitigation co-benefits;

(g) How adaptation actions contribute to other international frameworks and/or conventions;

(h) Gender-responsive adaptation action and traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous peoples and local knowledge systems related to adaptation, where appropriate;

(i) Any other information related to adaptation.

Decision 11/CMA.1 Matters referred to in paragraphs 41, 42 and 45 of decision 1/CP.21

I. Ways to enhance the coherence of the work of adaptation-related institutional arrangements

1. Decides that the **AC and the LEG shall serve the Paris Agreement**;

4. Invites partner organizations of the NWP, in collaboration with the AC, to support the work of other adaptation-related institutional arrangements, in particular by providing relevant scientific and technical information and sharing knowledge;

6. Requests the AC, as necessary and in consultation with relevant adaptation-related institutions, to continue to **make recommendations in its annual report on enhancing collaboration and promoting coherence and synergies with a view to addressing Parties' evolving adaptation-related needs**;

II. Modalities for recognizing the adaptation efforts of developing country Parties

12. Decides to make use of existing national, regional and global events, including the NAP Expo and the Adaptation Forum of the AC, to showcase the adaptation efforts of developing country Parties;

13. Requests the secre**tariat, under the guidance of the AC and the LEG** and in collaboration with relevant stakeholders, to **prepare synthesis reports every two years starting in 2020 on specific adaptation themes, focusing on relevant lessons learned and good practices in developing country Parties**;

III. Methodologies for assessing adaptation needs with a view to assisting developing countries without placing undue burden on them

15. Requests the AC, in collaboration with the LEG, partner organizations of the NWP, users and developers of relevant methodologies, including academia and the private sector, to **develop by June 2020 and to regularly update an inventory of relevant methodologies for assessing adaptation needs**, including needs related to action, finance, capacity-building and technological support in the context of national adaptation planning and implementation, and to make the information available on the adaptation knowledge portal;

16. Invites Parties and observer organizations to submit via the submission portal by February 2021 their views and information on the development and application of methodologies for assessing adaptation needs, including needs related to action, finance, capacity-building and technological support;

17. Requests the **AC, with the engagement of the IPCC Working Group II, as appropriate**, to prepare, drawing on the inventory referred to in paragraph 15 above and the submissions referred to in paragraph 16 above, a **technical paper on methodologies for assessing adaptation needs and their application**, as well as on the related gaps, good practices, lessons learned and guidelines, for consideration and further guidance by the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) at its fifty-seventh session (November 2022) in the context of its consideration of the report of the AC;

V. Methodologies for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support

32. Notes the constraints encountered by the AC and the LEG in developing methodologies, including the differences in national circumstances in relation to adaptation, the difficulty of setting adaptation baselines and targets and the lack of common metrics for measuring progress on adaptation;

33. Also notes that the current state of knowledge is not sufficient to address the mandate and requires time and effort to advance;

34. Invites Parties, academia and other relevant stakeholders to undertake further technical work, building on the existing work of the AC and the LEG, in collaboration with the SCF, and taking into consideration ongoing relevant work under and outside the Convention, on developing methodologies for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support;

35. Also invites the AC and the LEG, in collaboration with the SCF, and relevant experts to contribute to the technical work referred to in paragraph 34 above by **continuing to compile existing**

methodologies for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support;

36. Further invites Parties, United Nations entities and other relevant organizations, as well as bilateral and multilateral agencies, to submit by April 2020 to the AC and the LEG information on gaps, challenges, opportunities and options associated with methodologies for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support, including in the areas of adaptation needs, plans and strategies; enabling environments and policy frameworks; frameworks used for assessing the effectiveness of adaptation efforts; efforts and systems to monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of adaptation efforts; support through all instruments and channels, including domestic, international, public and private sources and progress towards the implementation and achievement of adaptation goals, plans and strategies;

Decision 19/CMA.1 Matters relating to Article 14 of the Paris Agreement and paragraphs 99–101 of decision 1/CP.21

Information collection and preparation

24. Invites the relevant constituted bodies and forums and other institutional arrangements under or serving the Paris Agreement and/or the Convention to prepare for the technical assessment, with the assistance of the secretariat, **synthesis reports on the information identified in paragraph 36 below in their areas of expertise**;

36. Also decides that the sources of input for the global stocktake will consider information at a collective level on:

(c) The state of adaptation efforts, support, experience and priorities, including the information referred to in Article 7, paragraphs 2, 10, 11 and 14, of the Paris Agreement, and the reports referred to in Article 13, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement;

(g) Good practices, experience and potential opportunities to enhance international cooperation on mitigation and adaptation and to increase support under Article 13, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement;

(h) Fairness considerations, including equity, as communicated by Parties in their nationally determined contributions;

Decision 1/CMA.2 Chile Madrid Time for Action

14. Requests the AC to **consider approaches to reviewing the overall progress made in achieving the global goal on adaptation** and to reflect the outcome of this consideration in its 2021 annual report;

2018

Decision 8/CP.24 National adaptation plans

18. Also requests the AC, through its task force on NAPs and within its existing mandate and workplan, to **consider gaps and needs that have been identified through relevant work of the LEG and the**

AC and how to address them, and include relevant information thereon in its annual report for 2019;

Decision 9/CP.24 Report of the AC

The COP,

1. Welcomes the report of the AC, including the recommendations and the flexible workplan of the Committee for 2019–2021 contained therein;

2. Notes with appreciation the progress of the AC in implementing its 2016–2018 workplan;

3. Welcomes the technical expert meetings on adaptation organized as part of the technical examination process on adaptation, and the technical paper on opportunities and options for enhancing adaptation planning in relation to vulnerable ecosystems, communities and groups;

4. Expresses its appreciation to the Parties and organizations that led and participated in the technical expert meetings on adaptation or organized regional technical expert meetings on adaptation in 2018;

5. Encourages Parties and organizations to build on the outcomes of the regional technical expert meetings held in 2018 when planning and implementing adaptation action and to continue to organize such meetings in 2019 with a view to enhancing adaptation action and its overall coherence;

6. Also encourages Parties to strengthen adaptation planning, including by engaging in the process to formulate and implement NAPs, taking into account linkages with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and possible co-benefits

between mitigation and adaptation, and by mainstreaming adaptation in development planning;

7. Urges Parties and non-Party stakeholders to mainstream gender considerations in all stages of their adaptation planning processes, including NAPs and the implementation of adaptation action, taking into account available guidance;

8. Encourages Parties to apply a participatory approach to adaptation planning and implementation so as to make use of stakeholder input, including from the private sector, civil society, indigenous peoples, local communities, migrants, children and youth, persons with disabilities and people in vulnerable situations in general;

9. Also encourages Parties to take an iterative approach to adaptation planning, implementation and investment, with the long-term goal of transformational change, to ensure that adaptation is flexible, robust and not maladaptive and to allow for the integration, at least periodically, of the best available science;

10. Further encourages Parties to take into consideration and utilize, as appropriate, various approaches to adaptation planning, including community-based adaptation, ecosystem-based adaptation, livelihood and economic diversification and risk-based approaches, and to ensure that such approaches are not mutually exclusive but rather are complementary, allowing for synergy in enhancing resilience;

11. Invites relevant institutions under the Convention and non-Party stakeholders to strengthen support (financial, technical, technological and capacity-building) for adaptation planning, including for collecting climate data and information, noting the urgent need for adaptation action to address current and short- and long-term risks of climate change;

12. Also invites Parties and interested organizations to share case studies of initiatives that focus on ecosystems and adaptation planning for vulnerable communities and groups as agents of change;

13. Requests that the case studies referred to in paragraph 12 above be disseminated on the adaptation knowledge portal of the NWP with a view to enhancing the translation of knowledge into practice;

14. Invites Parties and relevant entities working on national adaptation goals and indicators to strengthen linkages with the monitoring systems of the SDGs and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030 taking into account:

(a) The importance of designing adaptation monitoring and evaluation systems according to countries' overall objectives for adaptation, and of considering the benefits and drawbacks of quantitative and qualitative indicators when developing methodologies;

(b) That although full and complete harmonization of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030 and the Paris Agreement may not be feasible or useful, some degree of synergy could be beneficial;

(c) That enhancing individual and institutional technical capacity for data collection and assessment of adaptation is an ongoing task for many countries, and that increased capacity could help to link data gathering and reporting systems for the three global agendas referred to in paragraph 14(b) above at the national level;

(d) That improved coordination results in a reduced reporting burden for countries and enhanced cost-effectiveness of measures that cut across the three global agendas;

(e) That subnational monitoring and evaluation programmes should be linked with national-level monitoring and evaluation systems to provide a complete picture of adaptation action; 15. Notes with concern the shortfall in the resources available to the AC, the need for supplementary financial resources and the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat pursuant to decision 1/CP.21;

16. Encourages Parties to make available sufficient resources for the AC's successful and timely implementation of its workplan for 2019–2021;

17. Requests that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

Decision 10/CP.24 Report of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts

3. Invites Parties, bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, United Nations agencies and relevant stakeholders to consider the recommendations contained in the annex when undertaking relevant work, as appropriate;

Annex

Recommendations from the report of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts (WIM ExCom) on integrated approaches to averting, minimizing and addressing displacement related to the adverse impacts of climate change

1. The following recommendations of the WIM ExCom are based on the work of the task force on displacement, established by the Executive Committee in response to decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 49:

(e) **Invite the AC and the LEG, in accordance with their mandates and workplans, and in collaboration with the ExCom, to assist developing country Parties in integrating approaches to avert, minimize and address displacement related to the adverse impacts of climate change into relevant national planning processes, including the process to formulate and implement NAPs, as appropriate**;

SBSTA48 Conclusions (Agenda item 3) Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change

19. **The SBSTA invited the AC to facilitate collaboration through modalities in accordance with decision 2/CP.17 in order to provide advice on the delivery of NWP mandates that relate to the work programmes of constituted bodies, and on opportunities to align efforts with relevant bodies, workstreams and institutional arrangements,** including in relation to the following:

(a) Exploring opportunities for engaging the NWP and its partner organizations in activities such as the technical examination process on adaptation and the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action;

(b) **Providing recommendations on enhancing the NWP** as:

(i) The knowledge-for-action hub for adaptation and resilience serving relevant bodies and institutional arrangements under the Convention, as appropriate and as requested;

(ii) The intermediary between the Parties and experts to help the Parties to better define their knowledge needs and to help experts to better respond to those needs within the framework of the Convention;

(c) Building on the adaptation knowledge portal, mapping and regularly tracking the activities of NWP partner organizations related to themes and activities under the NWP, and the activities of organizations engaged in the technical examination process on adaptation and the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action with a view to suggesting ways to enhance coherence and avoid duplication of efforts undertaken;

(d) Enhancing coherence between the adaptation work under the NWP and the goals and objectives of other global frameworks such as the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030;

(e) Identifying the themes of the 13th and subsequent NWP Focal Point Forums;

(f) Reporting on progress on the activities referred to in paragraph 19(a–e) above through its annual report.

2017

Decision 13/CP.23 Assessment of the technical examination processes on mitigation and adaptation

2. Strongly urges the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies, the high-level champions, the AC, the Technology Executive Committee (TEC) and the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN) to **focus the technical examination processes on specific policy options and opportunities for enhancing mitigation and adaptation that are actionable in the short term, including those with sustainable development co-benefits**;

5. **Also requests the AC, in conducting the technical examination process on adaptation, to consider the needs of Parties expressed in their nationally determined contributions, national adaptation plans and national communications**, to address all four functions of the technical examination process on adaptation, and to include in its annual report to the COP recommendations for respective processes and for constituted bodies under the Convention, Parties and other organizations on ways forward and necessary actions to be taken based on the outcomes of the technical expert meetings;

10. Strongly urges the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies, the high-level champions, the AC, the TEC and the CTCN to ensure the necessary continuity of and follow-up on the identified policy options and opportunities referred to in paragraph 2 above, including by informing the summaries for policymakers, the high-level events8 and the Talanoa dialogue;

SB 47 Conclusions (SBSTA Agenda item 4 / SBI Agenda item 12) Report of the AC

29. The SBI and the SBSTA welcomed the report of the AC.

30. The SBI and the SBSTA expressed their appreciation for the technical work undertaken by the AC. They noted that the AC has completed its work on the recommendations to the CMA in response to decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 42 as well as its work, together with the LEG, on the recommendations to the CMA in response to decision 1/CP.21, paragraphs 41 and 45.

31. The SBI and the SBSTA initiated their consideration of the recommendations referred to in paragraph 30 above, including through joint meetings with the group established under SBI agenda item 10 on the joint recommendations of the AC and the LEG for consideration and adoption by the CMA.

32. The SBI and the SBSTA agreed to continue their consideration of this matter at SBSTA 48 and SBI 48 (April–May 2018) with a view to making a recommendation to be forwarded by COP 24 for consideration and adoption at CMA 1.

2016

Decision 5/CP.22 Review and report of the AC

The COP,

Recalling its decision to review the progress and performance of the AC at its twenty-second session with a view to adopting an appropriate decision on the outcome of this review,

Also recalling its requests for the AC to undertake activities in support of the Paris Agreement and the timing of their delivery,

Acknowledging that the AC is in the process of implementing its 2016-2018 workplan and its significant workload,

Having reviewed the progress and performance of the AC,

1. Welcomes the report of the AC and the revised workplan of the AC for the period 2016−2018 contained in that report;

2. Also welcomes the progress made by the AC in the implementation of its workplan, including progress reported on enhancing overall coherence in relation to adaptation and the relevant mandates contained in decision 1/CP.21, and on its efforts to enhance its performance with the overall aim of enhancing adaptation action;

3. Notes with appreciation the ongoing and planned collaboration between the AC and other constituted bodies and institutional arrangements under the Convention, including the LEG, the NWP, the TEC, the SCF, the WIM ExCom, the Adaptation Fund (AF), the Global Environment Facility (GEF), the GCF, the CTCN and the Paris Committee on Capacity-building, in order to enhance the process to formulate and implement NAPs and actions, the implementation of the relevant mandates contained in decision 1/CP.21 and access by developing country Parties to adaptation finance, in particular from the GCF, as appropriate;

4. **Requests the AC to make use of additional modalities for responding to the relevant mandates contained in decision 1/CP.21, including engaging with the NWP and its partner**

organizations, research institutions and other institutional arrangements outside the Convention;

5. Welcomes the two technical expert meetings on adaptation, which were organized as part of the technical examination process on adaptation, as well as the technical paper on opportunities and options for enhancing adaptation actions and supporting their implementation, reducing vulnerability and mainstreaming adaptation;

6. Also welcomes the establishment of the AC's working group on the technical examination process on adaptation, consisting of members of the SCF, the TEC, the LEG and observer constituencies;

7. Requests the AC, in conducting the technical examination process on adaptation, to accelerate the preparations for the 2017 technical expert meetings on adaptation, including the selection of topics;

8. Also requests the AC to ensure that the technical examination process on adaptation meets its objective of identifying concrete opportunities for strengthening resilience, reducing vulnerabilities and increasing the understanding and implementation of adaptation action, including through technical papers;

9. Concludes the review of the progress and performance of the AC on the basis of the information contained in its annual reports prepared for consideration by the COP, through the subsidiary bodies, in the period 2012−2016;

10. Requests the AC, as an outcome of this review, to continue with the implementation of its revised workplan, in particular by giving priority to the activities in support of the Paris Agreement, and to seek further ways to enhance its progress, effectiveness and performance;

11. Decides to review the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC again at the twenty-seventh session of the COP, with a view to adopting an appropriate decision on the outcome of that review;

12. Invites Parties to submit via the submission portal, no later than three months prior to the twenty-seventh session of the COP, their views on the progress, effectiveness and performance of the AC and on the review process referred to in paragraph 11 above with a view to informing that process;

13. Also invites relevant institutional arrangements under the Convention and non-Party stakeholders to further strengthen financial and technical support and capacity-building, and the consideration of projects, tools and methodologies related to enhancing economic or livelihood diversification, especially for developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change;

14. Notes with concern the shortfall in resources available to the AC, the need for supplementary financial resources and the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat pursuant to decision 1/CP.21;

15. Encourages Parties to make available sufficient resources for the successful and timely implementation of the three-year workplan of the AC;

16. Requests that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision, in particular in support of the revised workplan of the AC, be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

Decision 6/CP.22 National adaptation plans

7. Requests the **AC and the LEG to continue their respective engagement with the GCF and to continue to include information on that engagement, including on ways to enhance the process to access support for the formulation and implementation of NAPs, in their reports** for consideration by the SBI at its forty-seventh

session (November 2017) with a view to making recommendations to the COP at its twenty-third session (November 2017), as appropriate;

2015

Decision 1/CP.21 Adoption of the Paris Agreement

III. Decisions to give effect to the Agreement

Adaptation

41. Requests the **AC and the LEG to jointly develop modalities to recognize the adaptation efforts of developing country Parties**, as referred to in Article 7, paragraph 3, of the Agreement, and make recommendations for consideration and adoption by the CMA at its first session;

42. Also requests the AC, taking into account its mandate and its second three-year workplan, and with a view to preparing recommendations for consideration and adoption by the CMA at its first session:

(a) **To review, in 2017, the work of adaptation-related institutional arrangements under the Convention**, with a view to identifying ways to enhance the coherence of their work, as appropriate, in order to respond adequately to the needs of Parties;

(b) **To consider methodologies for assessing adaptation needs** with a view to assisting developing country Parties, without placing an undue burden on them;

45. Also requests the AC and the LEG, in collaboration with the SCF and other relevant institutions, to develop methodologies, and make recommendations for consideration and adoption by the CMA at its first session on:

(a) Taking the necessary steps to **facilitate the mobilization of support for adaptation in developing countries in the context of the limit to global average temperature increase** referred to in Article 2 of the Agreement;

(b) **Reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support referred** to in Article 7, paragraph 14(c), of the Agreement;

IV. Enhanced action prior to 2020

124. Decides to launch, in the period 2016-2020, a **technical examination process on adaptation**;

125. Also decides that the process referred to in paragraph 124 above will endeavour to identify concrete opportunities for strengthening resilience, reducing vulnerabilities and increasing the understanding and implementation of adaptation actions;

126. Further decides that the process referred to in paragraph 124 above should be organized jointly by the SBI and the SBSTA, and **conducted by the AC**;

127. Decides that the process referred to in paragraph 124 above will be pursued by:

(a) Facilitating the sharing of good practices, experiences and lessons learned;

(b) Identifying actions that could significantly enhance the implementation of adaptation actions, including actions that could enhance economic diversification and have mitigation co-benefits;

(c) Promoting cooperative action on adaptation;

(d) Identifying opportunities to strengthen enabling environments and enhance the provision of support for adaptation in the context of specific policies, practices and actions;

128. Also decides that the technical examination process on adaptation referred to in paragraph 124 above will take into account the process, modalities, outputs, outcomes and lessons learned from the technical examination process on mitigation referred to in paragraph 109 above;

129. Requests the secretariat to support the process referred to in paragraph 124 above by:

(a) Organizing regular technical expert meetings focusing on specific policies, strategies and actions;

(b) Preparing annually, on the basis of the meetings referred to in paragraph 129(a) above and in time to serve as an input to the summary for policymakers referred to in paragraph 111(c) above, a technical paper on opportunities to enhance adaptation action, as well as options to support their implementation, information on which should be made available in a user-friendly online format;

130. Decides that in conducting the process referred to in paragraph 124 above, the **AC will engage with and explore ways to take into account, synergize with and build on the existing arrangements for adaptation-related work programmes, bodies and institutions**

under the Convention so as to ensure coherence and maximum value;

131. Also decides to conduct, in conjunction with the assessment referred to in paragraph 113 above, an assessment of the process referred to in paragraph 124 above, so as to improve its effectiveness;

132. Invites Parties and observer organizations to submit information on the opportunities referred to in paragraph 125 above by 3 February 2016;

Decision 3/CP.21 Report of the AC

The COP,

1. Welcomes the report of the AC, including its recommendations;

2. Also welcomes the workplan of the AC for the period 2016–2018 contained in the report referred to in paragraph 1 above;

3. Notes with appreciation the progress made by the AC in the implementation of its first three-year workplan;

4. Invites the IPCC to enhance outreach activities that would facilitate policymakers' understanding of the impact of different levels of warming on adaptation planning and actions;

5. Requests the TEC, in collaboration with the CTCN, the AC and the LEG, to consider how it can help Parties align their technology needs assessments with the process to formulate and implement NAPs;

6. Invites Parties to take into account climate risk screening of national development strategies and policies aimed at enhancing livelihoods and economic diversification to enhance climate resilience;

7. Requests the **AC to further strengthen cooperation with the SCF and other constituted bodies under the Convention, with a view to enhancing coherence and collaboration regarding adaptation finance** as contained in the workplan of the AC referred to in paragraph 2 above;

8. Recalls decision 4/CP.20, which encourages Parties to nominate experts to the AC with a diversity of experience and knowledge relevant to adaptation to climate change, while also taking into account the need to achieve gender balance in accordance with decision 36/CP.7;

9. Notes the considerable time requirement that membership of the AC entails;

10. Reiterates its encouragement made to Parties in decision 11/CP.18, paragraph 6, to make available sufficient resources for the successful and timely implementation of the work of the AC;

11. Takes note of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat pursuant to the provisions contained in paragraph 2 above;

12. Requests that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

Decision 4/CP.21 National adaptation plans

10. Requests the **LEG and the AC to consider how they can provide more information on accessing funding from the GCF for the process to formulate and implement NAPs and to include such information, as appropriate, in their reports**;

11. Also requests the SBI to assess progress made in the process to formulate and implement NAPs at its forty-eighth session (April–May 2018), with a view to making recommendations thereon to the COP, as appropriate;

12. Decides on the following actions and steps necessary for the SBI to initiate the assessment referred to in paragraph 11 above:

(a) To invite Parties and relevant organizations to submit to the secretariat, by 1 February 2018, information on their progress made towards the achievement of the objectives of the process to formulate and implement NAPs, experiences, best practices, lessons learned, gaps and needs, and support provided and received in the process to formulate and implement NAPs;

(b) To invite Parties to provide information, guided by a questionnaire, on an ongoing basis through NAP Central;

(c) To request the secretariat to prepare a synthesis report on the progress made towards the achievement of the objectives of the process to formulate and implement NAPs, experiences, best practices, lessons learned, gaps and needs, and support provided and received in the process to formulate and implement NAPs, taking into account information contained in national reports under the Convention, the information referred to in paragraphs 12(a) and (b) above, information from relevant events, including the NAP Expos, and information from other relevant sources;

(d) To **request the LEG, in collaboration with the AC, to organize a meeting of Party experts, at which the report referred to in paragraph 12(c) above would be considered, with a view to providing a summary of progress made in the process to formulate and implement NAPs**;

(e) To request the **LEG, in collaboration with the AC and with the support of the secretariat, to prepare a report on the meeting** referred to in paragraph 12(d) above, for consideration by the SBI at its forty-eighth session in its assessment of progress made in the process to formulate and implement NAPs;

13. Also decides that the assessment referred to in paragraph 11 above should take into account all the guiding principles of the process to formulate and implement NAPs contained in decision 5/CP.17, paragraph 3;

SBI42 Conclusions (Agenda item 7) National adaptation plans

71. The SBI expressed its appreciation to both the LEG and the AC for their engagement with the GCF, in considering how to best support developing country Parties in accessing funding from the GCF for the process to formulate and implement NAPs, and invited them to continue to collaborate with the GCF, including in relation to the readiness programme of the GCF.

72. It invited the **AC and the LEG to provide information on how they have responded to the invitation referred to in paragraph 71 above in their reports**.

2014

Decision 3/CP.20 National adaptation plans

11. Requests the AC and the LEG, in collaboration with the GCF, as an operating entity of the Financial Mechanism, **to consider how to best support developing country Parties in accessing funding from the GCF for the process to formulate and implement NAPs**, and to report thereon to the SBI at its forty-second session.

Decision 4/CP.20 Report of the Adaptation Committee

The COP,

1. Welcomes the report of the AC;

2. Also welcomes the progress made by the AC in the implementation of its three-year workplan, including:

(a) Promoting coherence in adaptation under the Convention, in particular in collaboration with the LEG, the TEC and the SCF and in the context of the NWP;

(b) Engaging relevant institutions, organizations, frameworks, networks and centres;

(c) Conducting a joint meeting with the NWP on available tools for the use of indigenous and traditional knowledge and practices for adaptation, needs of local and indigenous communities, and the application of gender-sensitive approaches and tools for adaptation;

(d) Conducting a special in-session event on promoting synergy and strengthening engagement with national, regional and international organizations, centres and networks;

(e) Conducting an in-session meeting of the AC organized in collaboration with IPCC Working Group II;

(f) Publishing its 2014 thematic report on institutional arrangements for national adaptation planning and implementation;

3. Notes with appreciation the continued work of the AC on providing technical support and guidance to the Parties on adaptation action, including through the work carried out by the task force on NAPs of the Committee;

4. Requests Parties, operating entities of the Financial Mechanism and other relevant entities working on adaptation to consider the recommendations contained in chapter V of the report of the AC, as included in the annex;

5. Reiterates its encouragement made in decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 103, for Parties to nominate experts to the AC with a diversity of experience and knowledge relevant to adaptation to climate change, while also taking into account the need to achieve gender balance in accordance with decision 36/CP.7;

6. Welcomes the initiation of consideration by the AC of its next workplan, starting in 2016.

Annex

Recommendations for the COP

1. The AC (AC) agreed to include the following recommendations in its report for consideration by the COP at its twentieth session.

2. The AC recommends that the COP invite Parties, operating entities of the Financial Mechanism and relevant entities working on adaptation to take into account the following recommendations, which are based on the outcomes of the meeting of the task force on NAPs referred to in paragraphs 38 and 39 of the report of the AC referred to in paragraph 1 above:

(a) Recognizing the importance of raising awareness and buy-in for the NAP process by all stakeholders, in order to:

(i) Generate interest in, demand for and leadership of the NAP process at the national level;

(ii) Make available support for the NAP process better known;

(b) Improving coordination, collaboration and coherence among:

(i) Bilateral and multilateral agencies and institutions, including the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism;

(ii) Various national ministries;

(iii) Parties and regions, with a view to:

a. Enhancing the accessibility of NAP support;

b. Further understanding effective pathways to achieving the objectives of the NAP process, on the basis of experience;

c. Fostering coherence in the provision of support, including by better matching needs with support, involving more financial institutions in the NAP process and helping countries to prepare for accessing funding, including from the GCF;

(c) Enhancing learning as stakeholders increasingly engage in the NAP process, particularly around aspects such as the role of institutional arrangements and monitoring and evaluation.

3. In supporting the monitoring and evaluation of adaptation, the AC recommends that the COP invite Parties, operating entities of the Financial Mechanism and relevant entities working on adaptation to take into account the following recommendations:

(a) Monitoring and evaluation frameworks need to be appropriate, relevant to needs and tailored to country circumstances. A common set of global indicators is not useful, owing to the context-specific nature of adaptation;

(b) National-level assessments can play a different role in measuring adaptive capacity from subnational or project-based assessments. National-level assessments could, for example, measure the degree of coordination and integration of adaptation in national priorities;

(c) A positive learning environment, which encourages formal and informal learning, including peer-to-peer learning, and which encourages learning from negative as well as positive experiences, is important;

(d) Planning and allocation of resources, both technical and financial, are key for effective monitoring and evaluation systems.

4. In the context of the monitoring and evaluation of adaptation, the AC also recommends that the COP invite the Board of the GCF, with respect to its Results Management Framework, to consider:

(a) Keeping indicators simple;

(b) Designing indicators that are qualitative as well as quantitative;

(c) Designing indicators in such a way as to capture the progress that countries are able to make in integrating adaptation into their development and sectoral planning, policies and actions;

(d) Giving countries sufficient flexibility to define their indicators in line with their national and local planning, strategies and priorities.

5. Furthermore, the AC agreed to forward the following recommendations resulting from the workshop on best practices and needs of local and indigenous communities referred to in paragraph 45 of its report referred to in paragraph 1 above for consideration by the COP. The COP may wish to:

(a) Invite Parties to underline the importance of indigenous and traditional knowledge and practices, in a manner commensurate with modern science, for the effective planning and implementation of adaptation, including by encouraging the integration of indigenous, traditional and local knowledge into the NAP process;

(b) Encourage the AF, the GEF and the GCF to enhance their consideration of local, indigenous and traditional knowledge and practices and their integration into adaptation planning and practices, as well as procedures for monitoring, evaluation and reporting.

6. Regarding the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, the AC recommends the following actions for consideration by the COP:

(a) Inviting the Board of the GCF to consider the significant work undertaken under the Cancun Adaptation Framework and on the NAP process as it continues to provide the governance of the Fund;

(b) Inviting the Board of the GCF to engage with institutions that have started initiatives on countries' readiness to access GCF

funding and exploring how more countries can benefit from such initiatives;

(c) Inviting the GEF, in supporting the NAP process and when implementing its new programming strategy on adaptation for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund for the period 2014–2018, to consider the findings arising from the meeting of the NAP task force referred to in paragraph 84 and the initial conclusions of the AC on the monitoring and evaluation of adaptation referred to in paragraph 85 of the report of the AC referred to in paragraph 1 above.

SBSTA 41 Conclusions (Agenda item 3) Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change

16. The SBSTA concluded that the following activities should be undertaken by the secretariat, building on related previous work and in line with the scope of the NWP, under the guidance of the Chair of the SBSTA and in collaboration with relevant NWP partner organizations, in response to the recommendations of the AC:

(a) **Support the expert meeting of the AC on promoting livelihoods and economic diversification** to build resilience in the context of planning, prioritizing and implementing adaptation actions during the third quarter of 2015, building on the relevant work undertaken under the NWP on this matter;

(b) **Disseminate existing and future relevant knowledge products produced by the AC** in order to inform adaptation planning and actions at all levels.

18. The SBSTA considered the **recommendations of AC 12 in relation to the joint meeting on best practices and available tools for the use of indigenous and traditional knowledge and practices, best practices and needs of local and indigenous communities and the application of gender-sensitive approaches and tools for understanding and assessing impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change**, and concluded that the following activities would be undertaken by the secretariat under the guidance of the Chair of the SBSTA, **in collaboration with the AC and the LEG**, and with contributions from relevant NWP partner organizations:

(a) Make publicly available a compilation of good practices and tools and available data collection initiatives for the use of local, indigenous and traditional knowledge and practices for adaptation, for consideration at SBSTA 44, building on existing knowledge-sharing platforms, including the database on best practices and available tools for the use of indigenous and traditional knowledge and practices for adaptation;

(b) Engage relevant NWP partner organizations, including regional centres and networks, in strengthening communities of practice and networks at different levels, as well as in sharing good practices and tools at key meetings and events, as appropriate;

(c) Consider, in relevant knowledge products under the NWP, the importance of integrating gender-sensitive approaches and tools, and local, indigenous and traditional knowledge and practices into NAPs, including by involving holders of local, indigenous and traditional knowledge, as appropriate.

SBI40 Conclusions (Agenda item 8) National adaptation plans

101. The SBI invited the AC to urge its task force on NAPs to expedite its work.

102. The SBI invited the **LEG and the AC to explore ways in which developing country Parties that are not LDCs can be accommodated in the NAP Expo**, to be organized by the LEG as part of its work programme for 2014–2015.

106. The SBI invited the **AC in collaboration with the LEG to organize a workshop,** back to back with a relevant meeting where possible, drawing upon experts and practitioners at different levels **to share experiences, good practices, lessons learned, gaps and needs on the process to formulate and implement NAPs, to be held prior to SBI 42**.

107. The SBI invited the **LEG and the AC to prepare an information paper on experiences, good practices, lessons learned, gaps and needs in the process to formulate and implement NAPs** based on the NAP Expo and relevant documents, including the submissions referred to in paragraphs 93, 103 and 104 above, for consideration at SBI 41, as well as to serve as an input to the workshop mentioned in paragraph 106 above.

108. The SBI invited the **AC, in collaboration with the LEG and with the support of the secretariat, to prepare a report on the workshop** mentioned in paragraph 106 above. The SBI will consider this report, the submissions referred to in paragraphs 93, 103 and 104 above, and all other relevant documents, at SBI 42, as it monitors and evaluates progress made in the NAP process, with a view to making recommendations to the COP, as appropriate.

SBSTA40 Conclusions (Agenda item 3) Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change

20. The SBSTA invited Parties and NWP partner organizations, including regional centres and networks, to include information on the following, as appropriate, in their submissions requested at SBSTA 39:

(a) Available and implemented tools and methods for adaptation planning processes addressing the four issues of ecosystems, human settlements, water resources and health;

(b) Good practices and lessons learned in relation to adaptation planning processes, including on monitoring and evaluation, addressing the four issues of ecosystems, human settlements, water resources and health;

(c) Good practices and lessons learned related to processes and structures for linking national and local adaptation planning.

21. The SBSTA requested the secretariat to prepare a synthesis report based on the information submitted in response to paragraph 20 above for consideration at SBSTA 41 (December 2014).

22. The SBSTA invited the **AC and the LEG to consider the synthesis report referred to in paragraph 21 above when conducting their work on adaptation planning**.

2013

Decision 16/CP.19 Work of the Adaptation Committee

The COP,

Welcoming the report of the AC,

Noting with concern the shortfall in resources referred to in the above-mentioned report,

1 Notes with appreciation the progress made by the AC in the implementation of its three-year workplan, in particular:

(a) The progress made in promoting coherence in adaptation under the Convention;

(b) The 2013 thematic report on the state of adaptation;

(c) The first annual Adaptation Forum;

(d) The establishment of the task force on NAPs;

2. Welcomes the elaboration of the activities in that three-year workplan under three workstreams in order to enhance overall coherence;

3. Encourages the AC to continue its work on providing technical support and guidance to the Parties, in particular in the area of NAPs, and to seek further coherence and synergy with other relevant bodies and programmes under the Convention in implementing its workplan;

4. Requests the AC to consider further focusing its 2014 thematic report;

5. Also requests the AC to **organize a special event during the fortieth sessions of the subsidiary bodies** to showcase its activities and to engage in a dialogue with Parties and other relevant stakeholders;

6. Decides that the **positions of Chair and Vice-Chair of the AC shall be replaced by the positions of Co-Chairs of the AC**, effective from the first meeting of the AC in 2014;

7. Requests the AC to make the necessary changes in its rules of procedure in relation to paragraph 6 above;

8. Expresses its appreciation to the Governments of Germany, Japan and Norway, as well as to the European Commission, for providing financial and in-kind contributions in support of the work of the AC, and to the Government of Fiji for hosting the 4th meeting of the AC and the workshop on the monitoring and evaluation of adaptation;

9. Welcomes the efforts made by the AC to make more efficient use of existing resources, including through enhancing collaboration with other constituted bodies under the Convention;

10. Encourages the **AC to utilize, where appropriate, resources, capacities and expertise from relevant organizations, centres and networks outside of the Convention in support of its work**;

11. Reiterates its encouragement to Parties to make available sufficient resources for the successful and timely implementation of the three-year workplan of the AC.

Decision 17/CP.19 Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change

10. Invites the **AC, in accordance with its mandate and functions, to provide further recommendations for activities to be undertaken under the NWP**;

SBSTA38 Conclusions (Agenda item 3) Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change

18. The SBSTA expressed its readiness to support the AC in the implementation of relevant activities of its workplan through the NWP. **The SBSTA invited the AC to provide recommendations in its next report on how the work programme could provide such support**.

2012

Decision 1/CP.18 Agreed outcome pursuant to the Bali Action Plan

III. Enhanced action on adaptation

57. Requests the **AC to consider the establishment of an annual adaptation forum**, to be held in conjunction with the sessions of the COP, to maintain a high profile for adaptation under the Convention,

to raise awareness and ambition with regard to adaptation actions and to facilitate enhanced coherence of adaptation actions;

Decision 6/CP.18 Report of the Green Climate Fund to the Conference of the Parties and guidance to the Green Climate Fund

7. Requests the Board of the GCF, in its report to the COP at its nineteenth session, to report on the implementation of decision 3/CP.17 in which inter alia requested the Board:

(f) To initiate a process to collaborate with the AC and the TEC, as well as other relevant thematic bodies under the Convention, to define linkages between the Fund and these bodies, as appropriate;

Decision 11/CP.18 Work of the Adaptation Committee

The COP,

Welcoming with appreciation the operationalization of the AC as an important step in the implementation of decision 1/CP.13 (Bali Action Plan), Also welcoming the report of the AC,

1. Approves the draft three-year workplan of the AC contained in annex II to the report of the AC and looks forward to receiving information, at its nineteenth session, on progress made in the implementation of the workplan to deliver on its objectives of promoting coherence in adaptation under the Convention and synergies with organizations, centres and networks outside the Convention and providing technical support and guidance to the Parties;

2. Requests the AC to further elaborate the work referred to in activities 7, 8, 11, 17 and 19 of the above-mentioned workplan;

3. Endorses the draft rules of procedure of the AC contained in annex III to its report;

4. Decides that, as a consequence of the late nomination of members of the AC in 2012, the term of the members of the AC currently in office will end immediately before the first meeting of the AC in 2015 for members with a term of two years, and immediately before the first meeting of the AC in 2016 for members with a term of three years;

5. Also decides that, as a consequence of the adjustment to the terms of office of the members, the terms of the Chair and Vice-Chair who are currently in office will end immediately before the first meeting of the AC in 2014;

6. Encourages Parties to make available sufficient resources for the successful and timely implementation of the three-year workplan of the AC;

7. Takes note of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat pursuant to paragraph 1 above;

8. Decides that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources; in the absence of adequate additional funding, as indicated in the budgetary estimates referred to in paragraph 7 above, the secretariat may not be in a position to undertake the requested activities.

Decision 12/CP.18 National adaptation plans

Encouraging the AC, in accordance with its agreed functions, **to continue its work in developing the relevant modalities for supporting interested developing countries that are not least developed country Parties to plan, prioritize and implement their national adaptation planning measures**, including through the use of the modalities contained in decision 5/CP.17,

3. Urges developed country Parties to mobilize financial support for the national adaptation plan process for interested developing country Parties that are not least developed country Parties through bilateral and multilateral channels, including through the Special Climate Change Fund, in accordance with decision 1/CP.16, as it urged developed country Parties to mobilize financial support for the national adaptation plan process for least developed country Parties in decision 5/CP.17, paragraph 21;

4. Requests the GEF, as an operating entity of the financial mechanism of the Convention, through the Special Climate Change Fund, to consider how to enable activities for the preparation of the national adaptation plan process for interested developing country Parties that are not least developed country Parties, as it requested the GEF, through the Least Developed Countries Fund, to consider how to enable activities for the preparation of the national adaptation plan process for the least developed country Parties in decision 5/CP.17, paragraph 22;

10. Reiterates the request to the LEG, the AC and other relevant bodies under the Convention to **include information in their reports on how they have responded to the requests made in this decision** and on their activities relevant to the national adaptation plan process, as per their respective mandates, and to make recommendations accordingly;

2011

Decision 2/CP.17 Outcome of the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention

III. Enhanced action on adaptation

Recalling the relevant provisions of the Convention,

Also recalling decision 1/CP.16, which established the Cancun Adaptation Framework and the AC,

92. **Affirms that the AC shall be the overall advisory body to the COP on adaptation to the adverse effects of climate change**;

93. Also affirms that the AC was established to promote the implementation of enhanced action on adaptation in a coherent manner under the Convention, as provided for by the Cancun Adaptation Framework, inter alia through the following functions:

(a) Providing technical support and guidance to the Parties, respecting the country-driven approach, with a view to facilitating the implementation of adaptation activities, including those listed in decision 1/CP.16, paragraphs 14 and 15, where appropriate;

(b) Strengthening, consolidating and enhancing the sharing of relevant information, knowledge, experience and good practices, at the local, national, regional and international levels, taking into account, as appropriate, traditional knowledge and practices;

(c) Promoting synergy and strengthening engagement with national, regional and international organizations, centres and networks, in order to enhance the implementation of adaptation actions, in particular in developing country Parties;

(d) Providing information and recommendations, drawing on adaptation good practices, for consideration by the COP when providing guidance on means to incentivize the implementation of adaptation actions, including finance, technology and capacity-building, and other ways to enable climate-resilient development and reduce vulnerability, including to the operating entities of the financial mechanism of the Convention, as appropriate;

(e) Considering information communicated by Parties on their monitoring and review of adaptation actions, support provided and received, possible needs and gaps and other relevant information, including information communicated under the Convention, with a view to recommending what further actions may be required, as appropriate;

94. **Decides that the AC should make use of the following modalities in exercising its functions**:

(a) Workshops and meetings;

(b) Expert groups;

(c) Compilation, review, synthesis, analysis reports of information, knowledge, experience and good practice;

(d) Channels for sharing information, knowledge and expertise;

(e) Coordination and linkages with all relevant bodies, programmes, institutions and networks, within and outside the Convention;

95. Also decides that the AC shall operate under the authority of, and be accountable to, the COP, which should decide on its policies in line with relevant decisions;

96. **Requests the AC to report annually to the COP, through the subsidiary bodies**, including on its activities, the performance of its functions, guidance, recommendations and other relevant information arising from its work, and, as appropriate, on further action that may be required under the Convention, for consideration by the COP;

97. Also requests the AC during its first year to develop a three-year plan for its work, which should include milestones, activities, deliverables and resource requirements, in accordance with its agreed functions, employing the modalities listed in paragraph 94 above, considering the indicative list of activities included in annex V, for approval by the COP at its eighteenth session;

98. Further requests the AC, in addition to developing its workplan, to initiate some of the activities contained in annex V during its first year;

99. Requests the AC to **engage and develop linkages through the COP with all adaptation-related work programmes, bodies and institutions under the Convention**, including the LEG, the CGE on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention, the TEC, the NWP, the work programme on loss and damage and the operating entities of the financial mechanism of the Convention, as appropriate;

100. Also requests the AC to **engage with, and draw on the expertise of, relevant institutions, organizations, frameworks, networks and centres outside of the Convention**, including those at the intergovernmental, regional, national and, through them, subnational levels, where appropriate;

101. Decides that the AC shall comprise 16 members, who shall serve in their personal capacity, and will be nominated by Parties in their respective groups or constituencies and elected by the COP, with the aim of achieving a fair, equitable and balanced representation as follows:

(a) Two members from each of the five United Nations regional groups;

(b) One member from a small island developing State;

(c) One member from a least developed country Party; (d) Two members from Annex I Parties;

(e) Two members from non-Annex I Parties;

102. Urges regional groups in making their nominations to consider the special needs and concerns of particularly vulnerable developing countries;

103. Encourages Parties to nominate experts to the AC with a diversity of experience and knowledge relevant to adaptation to climate change, while also taking into account the need to achieve gender balance in accordance with decision 36/CP.7;

104. Agrees that the chairs of the LEG, the TEC and the CGE could be invited to attend meetings of the AC, as appropriate;

105. Also agrees that the **AC should seek input from intergovernmental, international, regional, national and subnational organizations, centres and networks, the private sector and civil society**, in undertaking its work, and to invite advisers drawn from them to participate in its meetings as expert advisers on specific issues as they arise;

106. Decides that members shall serve for a term of two years and shall be eligible to serve a maximum of two consecutive terms of office, and that the following rules shall apply:

(a) Half of the members shall be elected initially for a term of three years and half of the members shall be elected for a term of two years;

(b) Thereafter, the COP shall elect members for a term of two years;

(c) The members shall remain in office until their successors have been elected;

107. Also decides that if a member of the AC resigns or is otherwise unable to complete the assigned term of office or to perform the functions of that office, the AC may decide, bearing in mind the proximity of the next session of the COP, to appoint another member from the same group or constituency to replace said member for the remainder of that member's mandate, in which case the appointment shall count as one term;

108. Further decides that the AC shall elect annually a chair and a vice-chair from among its members to serve for a term of one year each, with one being a member from an Annex I Party and the other being a member from a non-Annex I Party, and that the positions of chair and vice-chair shall alternate annually between a member from an Annex I Party and a member from a non-Annex I Party;

109. Decides that if the chair is temporarily unable to fulfil the obligations of the office, the vice-chair shall serve as the chair. In the absence of the chair and the vice-chair at a particular meeting, any other member designated by the AC shall temporarily serve as the chair of that meeting;

110. Also decides that if the chair or the vice-chair is unable to complete the term of office, the AC shall elect a replacement to complete that term of office;

111. Further decides that decisions of the AC shall be taken by consensus;

112. Decides that the AC **shall meet at least twice a year, where possible in conjunction with other adaptation-related UNFCCC meetings**, while retaining its flexibility to adjust the number of meetings to suit its needs;

113. **Encourages the AC to establish subcommittees, panels, thematic advisory groups or task-focused ad hoc working groups**, if required, to provide, inter alia, expert advice in different sectors and areas, in order to assist the AC in performing its functions and achieving its objectives;

114. Decides that the meetings of the AC shall be open to attendance by admitted observer organizations, except where otherwise decided by the AC, with a view to encouraging a balanced representation of observers from Annex I Parties and from non-Annex I Parties;

115. Also decides that the AC shall convene its first meeting soon after the seventeenth session of the COP;

116. Further decides that English shall be the working language of the AC;

117. Decides that outputs of the AC shall be made publicly available on the UNFCCC website;

118. Also decides that the secretariat shall support and facilitate the work of the AC, subject to the availability of resources;

119. Further decides to **review the progress and performance of the AC at its twenty-second session**, with a view to adopting an appropriate decision on the outcome of this review;

Annex V

Indicative list of activities for the AC

1. Considering relevant information and providing recommendations to the COP on ways to rationalize and strengthen coherence among adaptation bodies, programmes and activities under the Convention.

2. Preparing an overview of the capacities of regional centres and networks working on aspects related to adaptation to the adverse effects of climate change, drawing on relevant information, and making recommendations to the Parties on ways to enhance the role of regional centres and networks in supporting adaptation at the regional and national levels.

3. Identifying the process for and scope of overview and other periodic reports on adaptation issues relevant to the work of the AC.

4. Preparing periodic overview reports synthesizing information and knowledge relating to, inter alia, the implementation of adaptation actions and good adaptation practices, observed trends, lessons learned, gaps and needs, including in the provision of support, and areas requiring further attention, for consideration by the COP, drawing on information from Parties and on other relevant reports and documents, including those of other bodies under the Convention.

5. Upon request, considering technical support and guidance to the Parties as they develop NAPs.

6. Also upon request, considering work in support of the work programme on loss and damage.

7. Exchanging information with relevant Convention bodies and others, including the Standing Committee and the TEC, on means to incentivize the implementation of adaptation actions, including finance, technology, and capacity-building, with a view to identifying opportunities and further actions for consideration by the COP.

8. Upon the request of the Parties, providing advice on adaptation-related matters to relevant Convention bodies, including to the operating entities of the financial mechanism, as appropriate.

9. Compiling a roster of experts on adaptation issues, building on the existing UNFCCC rosters.

Decision 3/CP.17 Launching the Green Climate Fund

17. **Requests the Board to initiate a process to collaborate with the AC** and the TEC, as well as other relevant thematic bodies under the Convention, to define linkages between the Fund and these bodies, as appropriate;

Decision 5/CP.17 National adaptation plans

17. **Also requests the LEG to invite the AC and other relevant bodies under the Convention to contribute to its work in support of the national adaptation plan process**; and to report, as appropriate;

30. Requests the AC, in accordance with its agreed functions, to **consider, in its workplan, the relevant modalities for supporting**

interested developing country Parties that are not least developed country Parties, to plan, prioritize and implement their national adaptation planning measures, including through the use of the modalities contained in this decision, and to report to the COP at its eighteenth session;

34. Requests the LEG, the AC and other relevant bodies under the Convention to include information in their reports on how they have responded to the requests made in this decision and on their activities relevant to the national adaptation plan process, as per their respective mandates;

2010

Decision 1/CP.16 The Cancun Agreements: Outcome of the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention

II. Enhanced action on adaptation

11. Agrees that adaptation is a challenge faced by all Parties, and that enhanced action and international cooperation on adaptation is urgently required to enable and support the implementation of adaptation actions aimed at reducing vulnerability and building resilience in developing country Parties, taking into account the urgent and immediate needs of those developing countries that are particularly vulnerable;

12. Affirms that enhanced action on adaptation should be undertaken in accordance with the Convention, should follow a country-driven, gender-sensitive, participatory and fully transparent approach, taking

into consideration vulnerable groups, communities and ecosystems, and should be based on and guided by the best available science and, as appropriate, traditional and indigenous knowledge, with a view to integrating adaptation into relevant social, economic and environmental policies and actions, where appropriate;

13. **Decides to hereby establish the Cancun Adaptation Framework** encompassing the provisions laid out below, with the objective of enhancing action on adaptation, including through international cooperation and coherent consideration of matters relating to adaptation under the Convention;

14. Invites all Parties to enhance action on adaptation under the Cancun Adaptation Framework, taking into account their common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities, and specific national and regional development priorities, objectives and circumstances, by undertaking, inter alia, the following:

(a) Planning, prioritizing and implementing adaptation actions, including projects and programmes,[42] and actions identified in national and subnational adaptation plans and strategies, national adaptation programmes of action of the least developed countries, national communications, technology needs assessments and other relevant national planning documents;

(b) Impact, vulnerability and adaptation assessments, including assessments of financial needs as well as economic, social and environmental evaluation of adaptation options;

[42] Including in the areas of water resources; health; agriculture and food security; infrastructure; socioeconomic activities; terrestrial, freshwater and marine ecosystems; and coastal zones.

(c) Strengthening institutional capacities and enabling environments for adaptation, including for climate-resilient development and vulnerability reduction;

(d) Building resilience of socio-economic and ecological systems, including through economic diversification and sustainable management of natural resources;

(e) Enhancing climate change related disaster risk reduction strategies, taking into consideration the Hyogo Framework for Action,[43] where appropriate, early warning systems, risk assessment and management, and sharing and transfer mechanisms such as insurance, at the local, national, subregional and regional levels, as appropriate;

(f) Measures to enhance understanding, coordination and cooperation with regard to climate change induced displacement, migration and planned relocation, where appropriate, at the national, regional and international levels;

(g) Research, development, demonstration, diffusion, deployment and transfer of technologies, practices and processes, and capacity-building for adaptation, with a view to promoting access to technologies, in particular in developing country Parties;

(h) Strengthening data, information and knowledge systems, education and public awareness;

(i) Improving climate-related research and systematic observation for climate data collection, archiving, analysis and modelling in order to provide decision makers at the national and regional levels with improved climate-related data and information;

[43] http://www.unisdr.org/eng/hfa/hfa.htm.

15. Decides to hereby establish a process to enable least developed country Parties to formulate and implement NAPs, building upon their experience in preparing and implementing national adaptation programmes of action, as a means of identifying medium- and long-term adaptation needs and developing and implementing strategies and programmes to address those needs;

16. Invites other developing country Parties to employ the modalities formulated to support the above-mentioned NAPs in the elaboration of their planning effort referred to in paragraph 14 (a) above;

17. Requests the SBI to elaborate modalities and guidelines for the provisions of paragraphs 15 and 16 above, for adoption by the COP at its seventeenth session;

18. Requests developed country Parties to provide developing country Parties, taking into account the needs of those that are particularly vulnerable, with long-term, scaled-up, predictable, new and additional finance, technology and capacity-building, consistent with relevant provisions, to implement urgent, short-, medium- and long-term adaptation actions, plans, programmes and projects at the local, national, subregional and regional levels, in and across different economic and social sectors and ecosystems, as well as to undertake the activities referred to in paragraphs 14–16 above and paragraphs 30, 32 and 33 below;

19. Acknowledges the need to strengthen, enhance and better utilize existing institutional arrangements and expertise under the Convention;

20. **Decides to hereby establish an AC to promote the implementation of enhanced action on adaptation in a coherent manner under the Convention, inter alia, through the following functions**:

(a) **Providing technical support and guidance to the Parties**, **respecting the country-driven approach, with a view to facilitating the implementation of adaptation activities, including those listed in paragraphs 14 and 15 above, where appropriate**;

(b) **Strengthening, consolidating and enhancing the sharing of relevant information, knowledge, experience and good practices, at the local, national, regional and international levels**, **taking into account, as appropriate, traditional knowledge and practices**;

(c) **Promoting synergy and strengthening engagement with national, regional and international organizations, centres and networks**, **in order to enhance the implementation of adaptation actions, in particular in developing country Parties**;

(d) **Providing information and recommendations, drawing on adaptation good practices, for consideration by the COP when providing guidance on means to incentivize the implementation of adaptation actions, including finance, technology and capacity-building and other ways to enable climate-resilient development and reduce vulnerability, including to the operating entities of the financial mechanism of the Convention, as appropriate**;

(e) **Considering information communicated by Parties on their monitoring and review of adaptation actions, support provided and received, possible needs and gaps and other relevant information, including information communicated under the Convention, with a view to recommending what further actions may be required, as appropriate**;

21. Invites Parties to submit to the secretariat, by 21 February 2011, views on the composition of, and modalities and procedures for, the

AC, including on proposed linkages with other relevant institutional arrangements;

22. Requests the secretariat to compile these submissions into a miscellaneous document, to be made available by the fourteenth session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention, and to prepare a synthesis report based on those submissions by the fourteenth session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention;

23. Requests the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention, taking into account the above-mentioned submissions and synthesis report, to elaborate the composition of, and modalities and procedures for, the AC, for adoption by the COP at its seventeenth session;

24. Also requests the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention, in elaborating the above-mentioned modalities and procedures, to define, as appropriate, linkages with other relevant institutional arrangements under and outside the Convention, including at the national and regional levels;

25. Recognizes the need to strengthen international cooperation and expertise in order to understand and reduce loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change, including impacts related to extreme weather events and slow onset events;[44]

26. Decides to hereby establish a work programme in order to consider, including through workshops and expert meetings, as appropriate, approaches to address loss and damage associated with

[44] Including sea level rise, increasing temperatures, ocean acidification, glacial retreat and related impacts, salinization, land and forest degradation, loss of biodiversity and desertification.

climate change impacts in developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change;

27. Requests the SBI to agree on activities to be undertaken under the above-mentioned work programme;

28. Invites Parties and relevant organizations to submit to the secretariat, by 21 February 2011, views and information on what elements should be included in the work programme, including the following:

(a) Possible development of a climate risk insurance facility to address impacts associated with severe weather events;

(b) Options for risk management and reduction, risk sharing and transfer mechanisms such as insurance, including options for micro-insurance, and resilience-building, including through economic diversification;

(c) Approaches for addressing rehabilitation measures associated with slow onset events;

(d) Engagement of stakeholders with relevant specialized expertise;

29. Requests the secretariat to compile these submissions into a miscellaneous document and to prepare a synthesis report based on those submissions, to be made available for consideration by the SBI at its thirty-fourth session, and with a view to making recommendations on loss and damage to the COP for its consideration at its eighteenth session;

30. Invites Parties to strengthen and, where necessary, establish regional centres and networks, in particular in developing countries, with support from developed country Parties and relevant organizations, as appropriate, and to facilitate and enhance national

and regional adaptation actions, in a manner that is country-driven, encourages cooperation and coordination between regional stakeholders and improves the flow of information between the Convention process and national and regional activities;

31. Notes that an international centre to enhance adaptation research and coordination could also be established in a developing country;

32. Invites all Parties to strengthen and, where necessary, establish and/or designate national-level institutional arrangements, with a view to enhancing work on the full range of adaptation actions, from planning to implementation;

33. Decides that all Parties should use existing channels to provide information, as appropriate, on support provided and received for adaptation actions in developing countries and on activities undertaken, including, inter alia, progress made, experiences, lessons learned, and challenges and gaps in the delivery of support, with a view to ensuring transparency and accountability and encouraging best practices;

34. Invites relevant multilateral, international, regional and national organizations, the public and private sectors, civil society and other relevant stakeholders to undertake and support enhanced action on adaptation at all levels, including under the Cancun Adaptation Framework, as appropriate, in a coherent and integrated manner, building on synergies among activities and processes, and to make information available on the progress made;

35. Requests the secretariat to support the implementation of the Cancun Adaptation Framework, including related institutional arrangements under the Convention, in accordance with its mandate and subject to the availability of resources.