

ExCom 24 summary of decision points as of 1 May 23:15 CEST

Item 2. Adoption of agenda

2.1 The agenda was adopted as presented.

Item 3. Election of new Co-Chairs

3.1 ExCom welcomed the election of Ashley Codner to serve as its NA1 Co-chair for a term of one year.

Item 4. Organizational matters

4.1 With a view to keeping interested members informed of ongoing thematic work, ExCom decided to include interested members in the mailing list of respective thematic expert groups.

4.2 ExCom reiterated that thematic champion members serve as the 'link' to the broad constituency groups in undertaking respective thematic work, including sharing information and providing inputs to ongoing work.

4.3 With a view to improving the effectiveness of ExCom's facilitative role in guiding the work of thematic expert groups, ExCom decided that interested thematic champion member can assign an ExCom member who will step in his/her role as an alternate champion, for specific meeting(s) or in undertaking specific task(s).

Item 5. Preparation of voluntary guidelines for enhancing collection and management of data and information to inform the preparation of biennial transparency reports

5.1. ExCom, noting the critical importance of expediting the work in order to comply with the mandated timeline:

1. Welcomed the expression of interest by MCII (TEG-CRM member), WMO (TEG-CRM member), UNEP-CCC (NELs expert group member) and Ms. Karen McNamara (NELs individual expert member) to contribute to the drafting of technical content of the voluntary guidelines;
2. Requested its champions and the secretariat to engage them in the intersessional work;
3. Requested that the draft voluntary guidelines be developed in accordance with the approved outline

4. Requested the secretariat to reach out to the thematic expert groups of the ExCom to scout additional experts who can contribute to the development of the voluntary guidelines;
5. Agreed on the following timeline and steps with a view to adopting the final draft voluntary guidelines at ExCom 25:

Timeline:

1 – 7 May:

- Engagement of additional experts by the secretariat and the BTR champions
- Interested ExCom members to provide review feedback on the version of the VG that had been shared with members on *21 April 2026*.

5 June: First draft shared with BTR champions and the CGE for review

9 – 19 June (SB 64): Opportunity for a check-in between experts and champions

3 July: Deadline for BTR champions and the CGE to provide feedback

3 July – 1 August: Experts incorporate feedback in the draft

1 – 15 August: Near final draft goes to the ExCom for review

15 – 31 August: Experts incorporate feedback by the ExCom

1 – 31 August: Secretariat undertakes editorial work

1 September: Final draft shared with the ExCom

14 September: ExCom 25 to consider and endorse the BTR voluntary guidelines

5.2 ExCom requested the Secretariat to harmonize the technical contents contributed by experts, including alignment with the UNFCCC editorial style guide.

5.3 ExCom decided to utilize webinar and event opportunities, including at COP, to disseminate the voluntary guidelines and encourage the application of the guidelines by loss and damage focal points and other relevant actors, and encouraged the Santiago network and Fund for responding to Loss and Damage to do the same where possible.

Item 6. How the latest climate science can inform policymaking relevant to averting, minimizing, and addressing loss and damage

6.1 Having decided at ExCom 23 on the topic of biodiversity and value of ecosystem services, ExCom welcomed the expert briefings from a representative from Bhutan and an expert from the NELs expert group.

6.2 ExCom decided to focus on, *inter alia*, the following themes for this agenda item at ExCom 26: desertification, and emerging issues concerning loss and damage associated with other slow onset events.

6.3 ExCom requested the secretariat to engage scientific and technical experts working on issues relating to loss and damage associated with climate change impacts, from the Pacific region to inform ExCom's deliberations at ExCom 25 under the agenda items.

7. Work related to strategic workstream (a) on slow onset events

7.1 ExCom welcomed ICIMOD to the Expert Group on Slow onset events to lead the work on the technical guide on glacial retreat.

7.2 ExCom endorsed the outline of the technical guide on glacial retreat, presented by the ICIMOD.

7.3 ExCom requested the Secretariat to put a call for interest for experts to contribute to the development of the technical guide on desertification, with a view to expediting its finalization. In this context, ExCom agreed on the following timeline: SOE champions will engage intersessionally with the secretariat on the above call for expert contributions to the technical guide on desertification, with a view to expediting its delivery, and reporting back to ExCom at ExCom 25 on ways to move forward.

8. Work related to strategic workstream (b) on non-economic losses

8.1 ExCom welcomed the progress of work undertaken by the Expert Group on Non-economic losses and encouraged expert members to continue undertaking the respective activities.

9. Work related to strategic workstream (c) on comprehensive risk management approaches

9.1 ExCom welcomed the progress of work undertaken by the Technical Expert Group on Comprehensive risk management and encouraged expert members to continue undertaking the respective activities.

9.2 ExCom, noting the relevance of the ongoing work under the TEC, decided to explore ways to further implement Activity 21 of the five-year rolling workplan, and requested its SOEs champions to identify possible joint work, for consideration by ExCom at its 25th meeting.

9.3 ExCom, noting the cross-cutting nature of technology, decided to explore possible collaboration with TEC in other workstreams, and requested its focal points to TEC to lead this work intersessionally with a view to reporting back at ExCom 25 on their progress.

10. Work related to strategic workstream (d) on human mobility

10.1 ExCom welcomed the progress of work undertaken by the Task Force on Displacement and encouraged expert members to continue undertaking the respective activities.

10.2 ExCom requested the co-leads of the joint technical guide on non-economic losses in the context of human mobility to advance the development of the guide, taking into account the views and inputs expressed at ExCom 24.

Item 11 workstream (e) on Action and Support

11.1 ExCom adopted the terms of reference of the ASEG as contained in document FCCC/EXCOM/2026/24/12.

11.2 ExCom requested its ASEG champion members to continue working intersessionally.

11.3 ExCom invited its members to propose possible experts and organizations to be engaged in the ASEG by 15 May 2026.

11.4 ExCom requested its ASEG champion members to take the proposals referred to in 11.3 into account in finalizing the list of experts and organizations.

12. Cross-cutting activities of the second five-year rolling workplan

Sub-item (a) Development of a strategy on gender-responsive approaches and related activities

12(a).1 ExCom endorsed the strategy on gender-responsive approaches and activities, as contained in Annex II of the document, EXCOM/2026/24/10.

Item 12(b): Development of new knowledge products

12.b.1 ExCom decided to respond to the following mandate through the TEG-CRM:

Develop knowledge products focused on enhancing understanding of approaches to managing compound risks and impacts associated with climate change and responding to loss and damage arising from cascading impacts associated with the adverse effects of climate change (*22/CMA.7, para 17 (e), endorsed by 10/CP.30*);

12.b.2 ExCom requested the TEG-CRM, at its next meeting, to incorporate this work in its current Plan of Action, initiate the work, and provide an update on the progress at ExCom 25 and subsequent meetings of the ExCom.

12.b.3 ExCom decided to respond to the following mandates through the ASEG:

Develop knowledge products on existing methodologies and approaches for assessing economic and non-economic loss and damage for the purpose of informing the development of context-specific national methodologies and

approaches for responding to loss and damage at the national level and supporting developing countries in preparing technical assistance and funding requests (22/CMA.7, para 17 (f), endorsed by 10/CP.30);

Develop voluntary, discretionary and non-prescriptive knowledge products on how Parties could, as appropriate, develop, and integrate consideration of loss and damage into, national response plans (22/CMA.7, para 17 (f), endorsed by 10/CP.30);

12.b.4 ExCom requested its ASEG champion members to incorporate the work referred to in 12.b.3 above, when developing the new Plan of Action for consideration and adoption by ExCom. In doing so, ExCom requested its ASEG champion members to take into account ongoing and planned work across other thematic expert groups, and in consultation with them, as appropriate.

Item 12(c): Dissemination and capacity building activities in relation to the development of knowledge products and technical guides

12.c.1 ExCom welcomed the organization of the technical sessions at the 2026 Climate Week Yeosu, in collaboration with the TEG-CRM and TFD.

12.c.2 ExCom decided to continue utilizing outreach opportunities to inform the development and enhance the uptake of knowledge products developed by the ExCom, including through the thematic expert groups.

Item 13(a): Updates from and guidance to the liaison members to the SNAB

13.a.1 ExCom welcomed the report back of the ExCom liaisons to the Santiago network Advisory Board, provided by Ms. Stella Brozek-Everaert, on their engagements with the Santiago network Advisory Board.

Item 13(b): Consideration of the requests from the governing body/bodies as part of the outcomes of the 3rd review of the WIM

13.b.1 ExCom welcomed the updates provided by the Santiago network secretariat on its work.

13.b.2. In responding to the request by the SNAB to review draft terms of reference for the report on loss and damage, ExCom decided that members provide inputs and views in their individual member capacity and requested the Secretariat to compile and transmit the inputs to the SNAB.

13.b.3. ExCom invited the Santiago network secretariat to share, at future meetings of the ExCom, the insights on how the ExCom's knowledge products are being utilized in the operation of the Santiago network, to inform future work of the ExCom.

13.b.4 ExCom requested the Secretariat to create a document that contains key messages regarding complementarity between the work of the ExCom and the Santiago network, and that with the FRLD, for consideration by ExCom at its next meeting.

Item 13(c): Collaboration with funding arrangements for responding to loss and damage

13.c.1 ExCom noted the expert briefing by the Pacific Resilience Facility and took note of the information presented.

13.c.2 ExCom decided to continue utilizing this agenda item at its future meetings to inform its work.

Item 14: Dates of next meetings

14.1. ExCom welcomed the expression of interest in hosting the 25th meeting of the ExCom (ExCom 25) by the government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

14.2. ExCom decided to convene ExCom 25 during the week of 14 September 2026 in the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and requested the secretariat to make logistical arrangements in a timely manner.

14.3. ExCom requested the secretariat to engage scientific and technical experts and organizations as well as other stakeholders working on issues relating to loss and damage associated with climate change impacts, and facilitate inclusive participation.

Annex

Thematic focal points and liaisons members as of 30 April 2026

<i>Thematic expert group</i>	<i>Members from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention</i>	<i>Members from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention</i>
Action and support	Jonathan Mai Jared Huntley	Ana Aguilar Kulthoum Motsumi
Non-economic losses	Thomas Cameron Paulina Jabczyńska	Hafiza Humaira Javaid
Slow onset events	Emiko Matsuda Jared Huntley	Ashley Codner Tamim Alothimin
Comprehensive risk management	Emiko Matsuda Viktoriia Shtets	Ashley Codner
Displacement	Silke Mason Westphal Paulina Jabczyńska	Hafiza Humaira Javaid James Thonjo

Intersessional working group

	<i>Members from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention</i>	<i>Members from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention</i>
Preparation of voluntary guidelines for BTR	Elisa Calliari Jonathan Mai Jared Huntley Paulina Jabczyńska Emiko Matsuda	Hafiza Humaira Javaid Kulthoum Motsumi Tamim Alothimin James Thonjo

Focal Points

<i>Bodies</i>	<i>Members from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention</i>	<i>Members from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention</i>
Advisory Board of the Santiago network	Elisa Calliari	
AC, incl. AC's NAP TF	Silke Mason Westphal	
CGE	Emiko Matsuda	
GCF	Emiko Matsuda	Hafiza Humaira Javaid
FRLD	Jonathan Mai	Kulthoum Motsumi
Gender	Jared Huntley	
IPCC	Elisa Calliari	Ashley Codner
LCIPP	Thomas Cameron	
LEG	Jonathan Mai	
PCCB	Silke Mason Westphal	James Thonjo
SCF	Jared Huntley	Tamim Alothimin
Sendai Framework	Jonathan Mai	James Thonjo
TEC	Viktoriia Shtets	Ana Aguilar