

ExCom 25

Summary of adopted decisions, as of 16 September 2026, 14:45 RMI (UTC+12)

Item 2. Adoption of agenda

2.1 The agenda was adopted as presented.

Item 4. Preparation of voluntary guidelines for enhancing collection and management of data and information to inform the preparation of biennial transparency reports

4.1 ExCom endorsed the voluntary guidelines for enhancing collection and management of data and information to inform the preparation of biennial transparency reports as contained in document EXCOM/2026/25/2 (the version as of 15 September 2026), with the following amendments:

1. Deletion of the 3rd, 4th and 5th sentences in para 10.
2. Place “Rising lake levels” into the bullet on “ Permanent land loss due to sea-level rise, **rising lake levels** and erosion”, and remove the standalone bullet on “Rising lake levels”, in Table 1 and reciprocate in Annex III.
3. Para 43 reverts to original wording.
4. Add the following footnote to the title of Annex III “The listing may not necessarily imply that the impacts reported were characterized as L&D”

Item 5. How the latest climate science can inform policymaking relevant to averting, minimizing, and addressing loss and damage

5.1 Having requested at ExCom 24 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, ExCom welcomed the expert briefings from a representative from Fiji.

Item 6. Implementation of the five-year rolling workplan:

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

6.a.1. ExCom welcomed UNEP to the Expert Group on Slow onset events to lead the work on the development of the technical guide on desertification.

6.a.2. ExCom welcomed Mr. Fouad Saeed, an independent expert, to the Expert Group on Slow onset events and looks forward to his contributions to its work.

6.a.3. ExCom noted the strong response from its call for expression of interest to develop the technical guide on desertification and requests UNEP to engage with

experts from across the regions and national L&D contact points, with a view to capturing different country perspectives.

6.a.4. ExCom requested UNEP to prepare an outline of the technical guide on Desertification in an expedited manner and requests the SOEs champions to update the ExCom on the timeline of the TG on desertification before ExCom 26.

6.a.5. ExCom welcomed the progress of the development of the technical guide on glacial retreat, led by ICIMOD with contributions from UNDP.

6.a.6. ExCom acknowledged the importance of responding to other topics relating to slow-onset events, including changing lake levels.

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

6.b.1. ExCom welcomed the progress of work undertaken by the NELs expert group and encouraged expert members to continue undertaking the respective activities.

6.b.2. ExCom endorsed the deliverable type of the knowledge product and indicative completion date of Activity 10 of the PoA of the NELs expert group, as shared with the ExCom on 1 September 2026.

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

6.c.1. ExCom endorsed an updated Third Plan of Action of the Technical Expert Group on Comprehensive risk management that incorporates the activity to deliver new knowledge products, mandated at COP 30 and requested at ExCom 24 for the TEG-CRM to undertake.

6.c.2. ExCom welcomes the progress of work undertaken by the Technical Expert Group on Comprehensive risk management and encourages expert members to continue undertaking the respective activities, while strengthening the work under the WIM ExCom, SNAB and the FRLD

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

6.d.1. ExCom welcomed the progress of work undertaken by the Task Force on Displacement and encouraged expert members to continue undertaking the respective activities;

6.d.2. ExCom endorsed a draft technical guide on NELs in the context of human mobility as contained in document EXCOM/2026/25/6, with footnote 56 amended.

Item 7. Collaboration with the Advisory Board of the Santiago network, funding arrangements, including the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage:

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

7.a.1. ExCom welcomed the report back of the ExCom liaisons to the Santiago network Advisory Board, provided on their engagements with the Santiago network Advisory Board.

(b) Synergies with and complementarity across the loss and damage support architecture under the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement

7.b.1. ExCom expressed its appreciation to the Santiago Network Secretariat for sharing insights into how ExCom's knowledge products are being used in the operation of the Santiago Network, and looks forward to receiving updates at future meetings.

(c) Collaboration with funding arrangements for responding to loss and damage.

7.c.1. ExCom decided to continue utilizing this agenda item at its future meetings to inform its work, inviting briefings from different regions to ensure a diversity of contexts are reflected in its work with regard to the funding arrangements for responding to loss and damage.

7.c.2. ExCom requested the secretariat to invite the FRLD to present on its work at future meetings of the ExCom.

Above points were adopted with information provided by RMI and NZ uploaded on the ExCom 25 page