

ExCom 25

Summary of adopted decisions, as of 18 September 2026, 17:15 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.

(e) Work related to strategic workstream (e) on action and support

6.e.1. ExCom endorses the draft Plan of Action of the Expert group on action and support, version as at 17 Sep, 17:15 RMI (UTC+12).

6.e.2. ExCom requests its ASEG champions to continue updating the plan of action and its deliverables and to present progress at ExCom 26. All members are invited to engage with champions in this undertaking.

6.e.3. ExCom requests its ASEG champions to continue working on the membership of the ASEG with the aim of reflecting regional expertise, experience and technical knowledge,

including by encouraging all experts of the WIM ExCom to explore ways they can contribute to the delivery of the PoA of the ASEG.

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.

7.c.3 ExCom welcomes the expert briefing by the representatives from the Republic of the Marshall Islands and New Zealand, and took note of the information presented.

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

item 8: Information collection and preparation for the second global stocktake

8.1. ExCom decided to submit a synthesis report for input to the GST 2 technical assessment, and include input from the Santiago Network, as appropriate.

8.2. ExCom established a working group of champions to finalize the document referred to in #3 below, by 31 January 2027.

8.3. ExCom requested the secretariat to prepare a draft synthesis report for consideration by the ExCom.

8.4. ExCom agreed to include, as a standing item on the agenda of its future meetings, a presentation by the secretariat on updates to the synthesis report of information on loss and damage provided by Parties under the Paris Agreement.

Pathway/milestones

1: Structure: follow the GST 1 ExCom SR structure to the extent applicable. The secretariat to update the info accordingly.

2: insert the outcome of the 1st Champions meeting to take place today

Group of champions: Rita, Emiko, Jonathan, Judith, Paulina, Kulthoum, insert additional names of members to work with the secretariat intersessionally

Item 9. Recommendations to be included in the 2026 ExCom annual report.

9.1 ExCom adopted recommendations to be included in the 2026 annual report of the ExCom. See Annex I for the details.

Item 10: Dates of next meetings

10.1. ExCom decides to convene its 26th meeting during the week of 5 April 2027.

Item.11. Organization of intersessional work

11.1. ExCom decides to make its internal report of its regular meetings publicly available after it is endorsed by the members, with a view to enhancing the transparency, accessibility and accountability of the work of the ExCom.

11.2. ExCom requests the secretariat to make the report referred to in 11.1 above, on the respective meeting page of the UNFCCC website.

Item 12: Any other matter

12.1. ExCom expresses its deep gratitude for all members for their dedication to advance L&D deliberations, and extends its heartfelt appreciation to those members whose terms come to an end, recognizing their invaluable contributions, expertise and service over the year.

Annex I

Recommendations for inclusion in the 2026 annual report

On the basis of the work undertaken during the reporting period, the Executive Committee agreed on the following recommendations. Parties may wish to:

1. Express gratitude to the Republic of the Marshall Islands for hosting the 25th meeting of the Executive Committee,¹ which provided a unique opportunity to strengthen understanding of the challenges faced by vulnerable coastal and island communities and to advance discussions on averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage.
2. Express appreciation to:
 - a) The secretariat for supporting the Committee and its thematic expert groups;
 - b) The members of the thematic expert groups for their work in implementing activities under their respective plans of action and under the workplan of the Executive Committee;
 - c) The members of the thematic expert groups for their work in implementing activities under their respective plans of action and under the workplan of the Executive Committee
 - d) The observers and non-Party stakeholders that contributed to the Committee's The constituted bodies that collaborated with the Committee, including through its thematic expert groups, namely the AC, the FWG, the LEG, and the SCF;
3. Welcome the efforts by the Executive Committee in advancing the implementation of its five-year rolling workplan, including the following:
 - a. BTR VG*
 - b. Gender strategy*

**add footnote: hyperlinks*

4. Also welcome the adoption of the second rolling plan of action of the expert group on action and support, for October 2026 to October 2028, and the convening of the fourth annual meeting of all its thematic expert groups;
5. Stress the importance of regular interactions among the Santiago network Advisory Board, the Board of the FRLD and Executive Committee, including through participation in each other's meetings, as appropriate, as a way of enhancing complementarity and coordination across their relevant work.
6. Strengthen the uptake and application by developing countries of the technical guides on slow onset events developed under the Executive Committee to facilitate

¹ Held from 14 to 18 September 2026.

consideration of supporting integrating slow onset event impacts and integration of related response options into their national planning, as appropriate.

7. Invite relevant United Nations entities and other international intergovernmental organizations to strengthen coordination, coherence and complementarity through existing institutional arrangements, on matters related to loss and damage under the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement, to strengthen collaboration and avoid duplication of efforts.
8. Strengthen the ExCom's continued contribution to existing coordination and complementarity arrangements, including the annual High-Level Dialogue on coordination and complementarity,* and request the Co-Chairs to share relevant information of the work of the ExCom through the appropriate channels.

**Add footnote of decision referring to the HLD*

9. Strengthen the uptake and application by developing countries, in accordance with their national circumstances, of the technical guides related to human mobility, prepared under the plan of action of the Task Force on Displacement of the Executive Committee of the WIM for application by Parties and relevant institutions, as appropriate

Annex II

Thematic focal points and liaisons members as of 18 September 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	Jared Huntley Jonathan Mai	Ana Aguilar Kulthoum Motsumi Hafiza Humaira Javaid (Alternate) Tamim Alothimin (Alternate)
Non-economic losses	Thomas Cameron Paulina Jabczyńska	Hafiza Humaira Javaid James Thonjo
Slow onset events	Emiko Matsuda Jared Huntley	Hamid Abakar Souleymane Tamim Alothimin Kulthoum Motsumi (Alternate)
Comprehensive risk management	Emiko Matsuda Viktoriiia Shtets	Ashley Codner Noralene Uy
Displacement	Silke Mason Westphal Paulina Jabczyńska	Hamid Abakar Souleymane James Thonjo Noralene Uy (Alternate)

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>
Input for the <i>information collection and preparation</i> component of the 2nd GST	Emiko Matsuda Jonathan Mai Paulina Jabczyńska	Judith Torres Kulthoum Motsumi Rita Mishaan Tamim Alothimin

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	James Thonjo
AC, incl. AC's NAP TF	Silke Mason Westphal	Kulthoum Motsumi
CGE	Emiko Matsuda	Hamid Abakar Souleymane
GCF	Emiko Matsuda	Ana Aguilar
FRLD	Jonathan Mai	Kulthoum Motsumi
Gender	Jared Huntley	Ana Aguilar
IPCC	Elisa Calliari	Noralene Uy
LCIPP	Thomas Cameron	Rita Mishan
LEG	Jonathan Mai	Hamid Abakar Souleymane
PCCB, incl. PCCB's ICG	Silke Mason Westphal	Rita Mishan
SCF	Jared Huntley	Tamim Alothimin
Sendai Framework	Jonathan Mai	Noralene Uy
TEC	Viktoriiia Shtets	Ana Aguilar
