



**Seventeenth meeting of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts, Bonn, Germany**

**20–23 September 2022**

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## **II. Annotations**

### **1. Opening of the meeting.**

1. The Co-Chairs of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts (ExCom) will open the 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the ExCom (ExCom 17) on 20 September 2022 at 09:00 CEST.

### **2. Adoption of the agenda.**

2. The provisional agenda for ExCom 17 will be presented for adoption.

### 3. Organizational matters.

#### *Meeting proceedings*

3. ExCom 17 will be held in a hybrid format from 20 to 23 September 2022.<sup>1</sup> The open meeting will be preceded by an informal gathering of ExCom members [and 2) a joint brainstorming meeting with the Consultive Group of Experts (CGE), to take place on 19 September. The latter meeting aims to explore further ways of collaborating, including on types of information exchange between the two bodies, as agreed at ExCom 15<sup>2</sup>].
4. Relevant documents and updates will be posted on the ExCom 17 webpage<sup>3</sup> for observers. The working language of the meeting is English, and there will be no translation.

#### *Observer participation*

5. Registered observers for ExCom 17 will be welcome to attend the meeting from 20–23 September 2022 unless otherwise decided by the Committee. They will be invited to make interventions under substantive agenda items and participate in parallel working group discussions during the meeting if such is established. The plenary proceedings can also be followed live and on-demand. The recordings will be available after the meeting via the ExCom 17 webpage.

### 4. Reports by the expert groups of the Executive Committee.

6. The ExCom has three expert groups, a task force and a technical expert group in operation that support the ExCom in the implementation of the five strategic workstreams<sup>4</sup> of its current five-year rolling workplan.
7. [The Technical Expert Group on Comprehensive Risk Management (TEG-CRM) and] the Task Force on Displacement (TFD) finalized a draft Plan of Action for their second and third phase, respectively, during the intersessional period.
8. Under this agenda item, all groups will update the ExCom on the status of their work, including on areas where the ExCom’s guidance at this meeting may facilitate the progress in implementing their respective plans of action.
9. *Action:* The ExCom will be invited to endorse the draft Plans of Action of the [TEG-CRM and] TFD and encourage swiftly moving to towards implementation. It will also be invited to take note of the progress of the work of the expert groups on slow onset events, non-economic losses, and action and support and provide further guidance as necessary.

<i>Further information</i>	<i>Draft 2<sup>nd</sup> Plan of Action of the Technical Expert Group on Comprehensive risk management</i> <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Plan of Action of the Task Force on Displacement</i> <i>Plan of Action of the <a href="#">Expert Group on Slow onset events</a></i> <i>Plan of Action of the <a href="#">Expert Group on Non-economic losses</a> events</i> <i>Plan of Action of the <a href="#">Expert Group on Action and support</a> events</i>
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<sup>1</sup> See indicative schedule of work for the details.

<sup>2</sup> See the [summary of decision points](#) adopted at ExCom 15 under item 6(b).

<sup>3</sup> [https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/ExCom15\\_decision\\_points\\_FINAL.pdf](https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/ExCom15_decision_points_FINAL.pdf).

<sup>4</sup> <https://unfccc.int/event/WIMexcom17>.

<sup>4</sup> The five workstreams aim to enhance: slow onset events, non-economic losses, comprehensive risk management, human mobility, including migration, displacement and planned relocation, and action & support.

## 5. Updating of the ExCom five-year rolling workplan.

10. The activities contained in the current five-year rolling workplan were developed in 2017.<sup>5</sup> ExCom 14 (September 2021) agreed on the general process for updating the rolling workplan for the next implementation phase (rolling workplan 2). ExCom 15 (April 2022) developed the template and established an intersessional group of members to prepare an initial draft rolling workplan 2 to serve as the basis for further development at ExCom 16 (July 2022).
11. ExCom 16 collected extensive inputs for rolling workplan 2, including through the World café format, from members and observers, and discussed how the collated inputs could inform potential deliverables and activities for the next five-year period. In addition, for consideration and endorsement at ExCom 17, ExCom 16 tasked the intersessional group to advance the work, including streamlining the elements, and share the outcome of its work at least one week prior to ExCom 17.
12. *Action:* The ExCom will be invited to consider the draft rolling workplan 2, further refine it as necessary, and endorse it for inclusion in the 2022 annual report of the ExCom.

<i>Further information</i>	<i>Current five-year rolling <a href="#">workplan</a> of the WIM ExCom; The outcome of the intersessional champions' work</i>
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## 6. Collaboration and synergies across the UNFCCC

### (a) Ways to enhance collaboration with the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism

13. The ExCom guides the implementation of the functions of the Warsaw International Mechanism (WIM), one of which is to enhance action and support to enable countries to undertake actions referred to in [Decision 3/CP.18, paragraph 6](#) via “*facilitating the mobilization and securing of expertise, and enhancement of support, including... finance, to strengthen existing approaches and, where necessary, facilitate the development and implementation of additional approaches to address loss and damage associated with climate change impacts, including extreme weather events and slow onset events.*”
14. COP 25 requested the ExCom, in collaboration with the Green Climate Fund (GCF), as an operating entity of the Financial Mechanism, to clarify how developing country Parties may access funding from the GCF for the development of funding proposals related to the strategic workstreams of the ExCom’s five-year rolling workplan. COP 26 encouraged the ExCom to commence, continue and/or explore potential ways to enhance, as appropriate, collaboration with the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism to inform the work of the ExCom and its expert group on action and support.<sup>6</sup>
15. In response to COP 26 guidance, ExCom 15 invited the GCF Secretariat to explore potential ways to enhance, as appropriate, collaboration with the GCF and agreed, among others, for further discussions on future collaboration to take into account ideas shared during ExCom 15, primarily at the programmatic level. ExCom 15 also decided to take a similar approach in commencing its engagement with the GEF, and to explore potential collaboration with the GEF.<sup>7</sup>
16. *Action:* The ExCom will be invited to continue considering ways to enhance collaboration with the GCF and explore potential ways to collaborate with the GEF to inform the work of the ExCom and its expert group on action and support.

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<sup>5</sup> For the current five-year rolling workplan, see [https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/5yr\\_rolling\\_workplan.pdf](https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/5yr_rolling_workplan.pdf).

<sup>6</sup> [Decision 19/CMA.3](#), para 12(b).

<sup>7</sup> See ExCom 15 [summary of decision points](#).

(b) Collaboration with the Consultative Group of Experts

17. The Paris Agreement established an Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF).<sup>8</sup> Decision 18/CMA.1 contains a detailed set of modalities, procedures and guidelines (MPGs) that make it operational. Its Annex IV–G states that each interested Party may provide, as appropriate, information related to enhancing understanding, action and support, on a cooperative and facilitative basis, to avert, minimize and address loss and damage associated with climate change impacts, taking into account projected changes in climate-related risks, vulnerabilities, adaptive capacities and exposure.
18. ExCom 15 invited the CGE to present its work to support the implementation of the ETF as it relates to loss and damage.<sup>9</sup> ExCom 15 welcomed the presentation by the CGE and agreed on the need for strengthened collaboration between the two bodies. As part of the next steps, ExCom 15 nominated two members as focal points to the CGE and decided to hold a joint brainstorming meeting with the CGE intersessionally to explore further ways of collaborating, including on types of information exchange between the two bodies.
19. The joint brainstorming meeting is planned to take place on 19 September.
20. *Action:* The ExCom will be invited to consider the key outcomes from the joint brainstorming meeting and discuss possible next steps, as appropriate.

## 7. Engagement and outreach

(a) 2022 outreach events.

21. ExCom 14 decided to organize outreach events annually and, in doing so, establish a group of champion members at its first meeting each year to coordinate these events under the guidance of the Co-Chairs.<sup>10</sup> Accordingly, ExCom 15 (April 2022) initiated this work, including by deciding on the umbrella theme, “Achievements and challenges of averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage on the ground”. It also established an intersessional group to take forward the work based on the progress made during ExCom 15.<sup>11</sup>
22. *Action:* The ExCom will be invited to consider the progress made by the intersessional group and provide further guidance as appropriate.

(b) Ten-year anniversary of the Warsaw International Mechanism.

23. 2023 will mark the tenth anniversary of the WIM and its ExCom since its establishment at COP 19 (December 2013). ExCom members exchanged, at ExCom 16, initial ideas on potential ways to commemorate the tenth anniversary, including through events, knowledge products and other means.
24. *Action:* The ExCom will be invited to consider ways to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the WIM and establish an intersessional group to take forward work in line with the discussion at ExCom 17, under the guidance of the Co-Chairs and with the assistance of the secretariat.

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<sup>8</sup> <https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/transparency-and-reporting/reporting-and-review-under-the-paris-agreement>.

<sup>9</sup> The CMA decided, by its [decision 18/CMA.1](#), para 15, that the CGE support the implementation of the ETF.

<sup>10</sup> ExCom 14 [summary of decisions](#), para 10.

<sup>11</sup> [https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/Guidance\\_WG\\_1\\_outreachevents.pdf](https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/Guidance_WG_1_outreachevents.pdf).

## 8. Emerging needs and cross-cutting issues.

- (a) How the latest climate science can inform policy-making relevant to averting, minimizing, and addressing loss and damage.
25. Parties encouraged the ExCom to consider including a standing item on how the latest climate science can inform policymaking in the agendas for its regular meetings.<sup>12</sup> The ExCom has a practice of inviting external expert speakers to inform its deliberations.
26. Under this sub-item, the Co-Chairs are making arrangements for an expert briefing on ways to use climate information services and early warning to inform early and anticipatory action relevant for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with climate change impacts.<sup>13</sup>
27. *Action:* The ExCom will be invited to consider the information presented and possible next steps in exploring how the latest climate science can inform policymaking at relevant levels, as appropriate.
- (b) Cooperation with the SBI in the organization of the Glasgow Dialogue.
28. The Glasgow Climate Pact requested the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) to organize, in cooperation with the ExCom, the Glasgow Dialogue<sup>14</sup> to discuss the arrangements for the funding of activities to avert, minimize and address loss and damage associated with the adverse impacts of climate change. The first Dialogue took place at SBI 56 (June 2022), and the next one will be held at SBI 58 (June 2023).
29. ExCom 16 (July 2022) decided to invite the Chair of the SBI at ExCom 17 to provide a summary of the first Dialogue and discuss cooperation on the next Dialogue.
30. *Action:* The ExCom will be invited to consider ways in which it will cooperate with the SBI for the organization of the second Dialogue and agree on the next steps, as appropriate.

<i>Further information</i>	<i>The <a href="#">mandate</a> relating to the Glasgow Dialogue is contained in the Glasgow Climate Pact (paras 73–74). The <a href="#">event page</a> of the first Glasgow Dialogue</i>
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- (c) Considerations of the working methods of the Executive Committee.
31. ExCom 16 agreed to consider ExCom’s working methods and, potentially, establish an intersessional group of champion members at ExCom 17.
32. *Action:* The ExCom will be invited to exchange views on its working methods and possible ways to enhance its overall effectiveness.

## 9. 2022 Report of the Executive Committee.

33. The ExCom reports annually to Parties through the subsidiary bodies and makes recommendations as appropriate. Due to the early timing of the sessions of the COP/CMA and subsidiary bodies this year, the 2022 report will be published in multiple parts.
34. The first report was published in August, focusing on organizational and procedural matters, including meetings and events. The information submitted by organizations, bodies, networks and experts on their progress in providing technical assistance under the Santiago Network of the Warsaw International Mechanism, in response to Decision 2/CMA.2, paragraph 44, will be published as an addendum to the report after

<sup>12</sup> [Decision 19/CMA.3](#), para 4(b), and noted in [Decision 17/CP.26](#), para 4(b).

<sup>13</sup> The World Food Programme will provide input into ExCom’s deliberations at the outset of this sub-item for this meeting.

<sup>14</sup> [Decision 1/CMA.3](#), paras 73 and 74.

ExCom 17. The cut-off date for inclusion of the information in this addendum is 9 September 2022.

35. The second addendum will be published in October, containing the outcomes of ExCom 17 and information on progress in implementing the five-year rolling workplan of the ExCom, including through the work of its expert groups, from November 2021 to 30 September 2022.
36. *Action:* The ExCom will be invited to agree on recommendations arising from the implementation of its work and that through its expert groups during the reporting period and other content, if any, as appropriate, for inclusion in the second addendum to the 2022 ExCom report.

<i>Further information</i>	<i>2022 report of the ExCom, <a href="#">part 1</a> (FCCC /SB/2022/2)</i>  <i>UNFCCC <a href="#">Submission portal</a> (type Santiago Network in the search field) for the information provided by organizations, bodies, networks and experts on their progress in providing technical assistance under the Santiago Network</i>
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## **10. Organization of intersessional work.**

37. *Action:* The ExCom will be invited to agree on leads/co-leads for the intersessional working groups established during the meeting and on the corresponding work of the groups.

## **11. Dates of the next meeting.**

38. *Action:* The ExCom will be invited to agree on the tentative dates and number of its regular meetings for 2023.

## **12. Any other matters.**

39. *Action:* Any other matters arising during the meeting will be taken up under this item.

## **13. Closure of the meeting.**

40. ExCom 17 is scheduled to close on 23 September 2022.