

Summary of Decision Points

Item 2: Adoption of the agenda

- Excom adopted agenda as contained in the document Excom/2020/12/1

Item 3: Launching of the expert groups on slow onset events, non-economic losses, and an expert group pursuant to decision 2/CP.19, paragraph 5(c).

- Excom adopted the terms of reference for the expert groups on slow onset events, non-economic losses, and action and support as available on the Excom 12 webpage.
- Excom elected the following members to serve in the newly launched expert groups:
 - Slow onset events: Antonio Cañas, Imran Khan, and Malcolm Ridout [with second A1 member to be confirmed before end of this week]
 - Non-economic losses: Adao Soares Barbosa, Jerome Ilagan, Kajsa Fernström Nåtby and Valeriy Sedyakin
 - Action and Support: Alpha Kaloga, Dawn Pierre-Nathoniël, Farhan Akhtar and Jelena Milos
- Excom confirmed the general timeframe as follows:
 - Excom members of the respective new groups to finalize and send to the co-chairs for endorsement, a list of technical experts to be invited to serve in respective expert groups by 12 November.
 - In parallel, the Excom members of the expert groups to decide on the timing or date of the 1st meeting of the respective expert groups.
 - The secretariat:
 - To send invitations to experts to serve on the expert groups by the end of November to first week of December, including information on the 1st meeting if already available.
 - To update information on the expert groups and the WIM Roster of Experts on the Excom webpages.

Item 4: Development of technical guides

- Excom took note of ideas on the general approach introduced by the co-chairs in their presentation and expanded on general principles and next steps, in particular:
 - Expert groups will discuss ideas and topics for technical guides and present preliminary outlines bearing in mind the mandate as contained in decision 2/CMA.2 and communicate proposal(s) to the Excom.
- Once proposals are received by the Excom, the Excom will consider whether to endorse the topics and outlines, taking into account their ability to promote collaboration and coherence of work across expert groups, and as soon as is practical to inform the PoAs of the expert groups.
 - The associated work will become part of the Plan of Action of each group involved.
 - Final draft guides would then be cleared by the Excom before final release.
- The Excom noted that, at its first meeting of the year, in future years, the Excom will prioritize discussion of activities in thematic areas of work to promote collaboration across the expert groups.

Item 5: The role and contribution of the Excom in the global stocktake as contained in decision 19/CMA.1

- Excom established an intersessional group of champions to discuss preparing a draft table of contents of the synthesis report for consideration by the Excom at its next meeting, taking into account initial views shared during Excom 12 on the possible scope of information in response to para 36(e) of decision 19/CMA.1, indicative timeframe and milestones as well as ways to liaise with other constituted bodies.
 - The intersessional group of champions: Antonio, Farhan, Kajsa and Le-Anne.

Item 6: 2020 Report of the Executive Committee

- Excom adopted recommendations to be inserted in the 2020 Annual report of the Excom. See Annex for the details.

Item 7(a): A summary of the Excom's 2020 evaluation

- The Excom took note of the reflections on the successes, shortcomings and lessons learned, which members shared at Excom 11, for informing Excom's deliberations on the development of new activities under the five-year rolling workplan.

Item 7(b): Fostering public education and awareness-raising efforts at the regional, national and local level, including efforts with a capacity-building component

- The Excom took note of the information and views shared by members and observer organizations to inform its future work.

Item 7(c): Modalities for fostering the sharing of relevant knowledge and experience among practitioners and vulnerable countries in an interactive and practical manner

- The Excom took note of the information and views shared by members and observer organizations to inform its future work.

Item 7(e): Opportunities and modalities to engage regional and national level stakeholders, including the UNFCCC National Focal Points and Loss and Damage Contact Points

- Excom took note of the opportunities and associated modalities for the Excom to engage the national focal points and L&D contact points, as described in the background document Excom/2020/12/5.
- Excom noted that additional views and inputs on this matter may be useful in further exploring such opportunities and associated modalities.
- Excom agreed to further promote the call for Parties to establish a loss and damage contact point, via appropriate communication channels.

Annex

item 6 Report of the Excom UNEDITED

Recommendations section

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On the basis of the work that it has undertaken, the Executive Committee (Excom) agreed to forward the following recommendations.

Welcomes... Parties may wish to welcome:

- a) The progress made by the Excom in implementing its five-year rolling workplan, and that of the Excom's thematic expert groups (TFD and TEG-CRM) in implementing their plans of action, despite the extraordinary challenges faced in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic;
- b) The publication of a policy brief, jointly with the TEC, on technologies for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage in coastal zones¹;
- c) The work of the Excom in initiating the implementation of the relevant outcomes of the 2019 Review of the WIM, in particular, the adoption of the TORs of the expert groups on slow onset events, non-economic losses and action and support;

Expression of appreciation ... Parties may wish to express appreciation:

- d) To all organizations and experts that contributed to the success of the work undertaken, and to the constituted bodies that collaborated with the Excom; *(para 18 (d)(i)²)*

Noting ... Parties may wish to note:

- e) The progress made by the Excom in discussing the response to the invitation from the CMA to prepare a synthesis report for the technical phase of the global stocktake;
- f) The importance of having the Excom and its expert groups draw upon relevant information from a broad range of sources, including reports submitted by Parties.

On linkages with NFPs and L&D contact points Parties may wish to:

- g) Recognize the decision of the Excom to continue exploring further opportunities and modalities to engage national level stakeholders, including the UNFCCC National Focal Points and Loss and Damage Contact Points.

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https://unfccc.int/ttclear/misc/_StaticFiles/gnwoerk_static/2020_coastalzones/cfecc85aaa8d43d38cd0f6ceae2b61e4/2bb696550804403fa08df8a924922c2e.pdf.

² Para references in green are from the 2019 Excom report, FCCC/SB/2019/5/Add.1
https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/sb2019_05_add1.pdf.

Broad encouragement Parties may wish to:

- h) Urge the use of the best available science by the Excom and its expert groups to inform their work; *(based on para 18(g))*
- i) Note the importance of reporting by organizations, bodies, networks and experts engaged in providing technical assistance to developing countries on their progress to the Excom, pursuant to decision 2/CMA.2, para 44.

Inclusion in the non-recommendations section of the report:

Challenges experienced and lessons learned in not being able to pursue 'BAU' modalities of work (e.g. in-person meetings) during the reporting period due to the COVID-19 pandemic, including how the Excom may use virtual meetings to continue to further improve its working modalities for intersessional work.

- Ways in which the COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the interaction and the interconnectedness of multiple risks (e.g., health, climate change) as manifested in cascading impacts on vulnerable communities and countries – as discussed and captured in the summary of TEG-CRM 2, held 7 July 2020.
https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/Summary_of_Procedure_TEG-CRM-2.pdf
- Views shared that countries have different capacities which must be considered by expert groups in the development of technical guides.