Fund for responding to loss and damage

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Background paper on the workplan of the Board for 2024

Expected actions by the Board

The Board will be invited to discuss and agree on its workplan for 2024, including timelines, working modalities and sequencing of mandated activities.

I. Background and mandate

1. The twenty-eighth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) and the fifth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) decided to operationalize the new funding arrangements, including a fund, for responding to loss and damage referred to in paragraphs 2–3 of decisions 2/CP.27 and 2/CMA.4.[1] Decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 set out the objectives, purpose and scope of the Fund for responding to loss and damage and provide foundational principles to guide its governance and institutional arrangements, as contained in the Governing Instrument of the Fund.[2] In this regard, the decisions, including the Governing Instrument, define provisions with respect to the Board, including its composition, roles and functions, and rules of procedure, and its secretariat and trustee.

2. The Governing Instrument of the Fund sets out provisions relating to the programming and financial instruments of the Fund, including its operational modalities; eligibility, country ownership and access; complementarity and coherence; financial inputs; financial instruments; and allocation of funding. It also provides the fundamental principles underpinning the accountability framework of the Fund, including provisions on monitoring; evaluation; fiduciary standards; environmental and social safeguards; and accountability and independent mechanisms. Finally, it sets out provisions for amendments to the Governing Instrument and termination of the Fund.

3. The Board is mandated, through the Governing Instrument, to further define and elaborate on the principles and provisions mentioned in paragraph 2 above. These mandates are further elaborated below and they are also included in the indicative list of matters for consideration in planning the work of the Board, as presented in annex I.

II. Mandates to the Board

4. Decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 contain various mandates to the Board with regard to the operationalization of the Fund, pertaining to organization and to the Fund's modalities, policies and procedures.

5. The Board may wish to consider reflecting the following mandates in its workplan:

(a) Selecting the host country of the Board through an open, transparent and competitive process, with the host country of the Board conferring to the Board the legal personality and the legal capacity as necessary for discharging its roles and functions;[3]

(b) Developing the job description and required qualifications for the Executive Director of the Fund and agreeing on the selection process and selecting the Executive Director through a merit-based, open and transparent process;[4]

(c) Considering matters relating to the operationalization of the Fund as a World Bank-hosted financial intermediary fund (FIF), including:

(i) Providing guidance to the World Bank as it takes necessary steps to establish the Fund as an FIF;[5]

(ii) Launching the selection process for the host country of the Fund if the World Bank has not confirmed its willingness and ability to meet the conditions set out in paragraph 20 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 within six months after the conclusion of COP 28;[6]

(iii) Determining whether the FIF documentation, including a hosting agreement of the Fund's secretariat between the Board of the Fund and the Word Bank, ensures that

[1] Decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[2] Annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[3] Paras. 15–16 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[4] Paras. 11 and 20(b) of, and paras. 22(q), 32 and 33 of annex I to, decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[5] Para. 25 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[6] Para. 21 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.

the expectations laid out in paragraph 18 and conditions set out in paragraph 20 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 can be met during the interim period;[7] and, if the Board determines that the FIF documentation does not ensure that the conditions can be met during the interim period, recommending to the COP and the CMA that the necessary steps be taken to operationalize the Fund as an independent stand-alone institution and proposing the necessary amendments to the Governing Instrument;[8]

(iv) Undertaking, before the end of the interim period, an independent assessment of the performance of the World Bank as host of the Fund's secretariat and determining whether the conditions set out in paragraph 20 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 have been met;[9]

(d) Establishing and operationalizing an annual high-level dialogue on coordination and complementarity, to be co-convened by the Fund and the United Nations Secretary-General, and reporting on the dialogue through its annual report to the COP and the CMA, including information on actions to enhance the implementation of the objectives of the new funding arrangements and on recommendations arising from the dialogue;[10]

(e) Providing recommendations to the COP and the CMA, including on means to enhance consistency, coordination and coherence with other sources, funds, initiatives and processes under and outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement;[11]

(f) Considering and approving the arrangements to be concluded between the COP, the CMA and the Board of the Fund;[12]

(g) Establishing subcommittees, panels and expert bodies, as appropriate, and defining their terms of reference;[13]

(h) Developing additional rules of procedure;[14]

(i) Deciding the name of the Fund.[15]

6. Mandates referring to issues pertaining to the Fund's modalities, procedures and policies, include:

(a) Enhancing the engagement of stakeholders by inviting active observers, including youth, women, Indigenous Peoples and environmental non-governmental organizations, to participate in its meeting and related proceedings, and making arrangements to allow for the effective participation of observers in the Fund's meetings, including developing and carrying out an observer accreditation process;[16]

(b) Developing and approving operational modalities, access modalities, financial instruments and funding structures;[17]

(c) Approving a policy for the provision of grants, concessional resources and other financial instruments, modalities and facilities, taking into account access to other financial resources and debt sustainability;[18]

(d) Approving specific operational policies and frameworks, including for the programme and project cycle;[19]

[7] Paras. 17, 20 and 22 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[8] Para. 22 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[9] Paras. 23–24 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[10] Paras. 11–16 of annex II to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[11] Para. 22(s) of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[12] Para. 7 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[13] Para. 22(h) of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[14] Para. 31 of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[15] FCCC/CP/2023/11, para. 102.
[16] Paras. 20 and 27 of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[17] Para. 22(b) of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[18] Paras. 22(d) and 57 of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[19] Para. 22(e) of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.

(e) Reviewing and approving the administrative budget and work programme of the Fund and arranging for performance reviews and audits;[20]

(f) Preparing a long-term fundraising and resource mobilization strategy and plan for the Fund to mobilize financial resources from a wide variety of sources of funding, including grants and concessional loans from public, private and innovative sources, as appropriate;[21]

(g) Developing methods to enhance complementarity between its activities and the activities of other relevant bilateral, regional and global funding mechanisms and institutions and promoting coherence in programming at the national level;[22]

(h) Developing an accountability framework for funding approvals, which may be delegated by the Board to the Executive Director of the Fund, subject to the relevant policies of the host institution;[23]

(i) Developing modalities to facilitate access to the Fund's resources;[24]

(j) Developing and operating a system for allocating resources;[25]

(k) Establishing additional thematic substructures to address specific activities, as appropriate;[26]

(l) Developing relevant indicators and triggers to clarify access to different sources of support provided through the Fund, as appropriate;[27]

(m) Establishing, as appropriate, procedures for the monitoring and evaluation of performance and the financial accountability of activities financed by the Fund, and for any necessary external audits;[28]

(n) Approving a policy on financial instruments, modalities and facilities;[29]

(o) Developing a mechanism that will help ensure the activities financed by the Fund are implemented in line with environmental and social safeguards and fiduciary principles and standards that promote a high level of integrity;[30]

(p) Developing, approving and periodically reviewing the Fund's results measurement framework;[31]

(q) Establishing consultative forums for engaging and communicating with stakeholders;[32]

(r) Developing mechanisms for promoting the input and participation of stakeholders, including private sector actors, civil society organizations and the groups most vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change, including women, youth and Indigenous Peoples, in the design, development and implementation of the activities financed by the Fund;[33]

(s) Developing standard procedures informed, inter alia, by the work of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change

[20] Para. 22(n) of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[21] Paras. 22(p), 54 and 56 of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[22] Paras. 52–53 of annex II to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[23] Para. 22(i) of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[24] Para. 49 of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[25] Paras. 22(j) and 60 of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[26] Para. 22(k) of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[27] Para. 22(l) of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[28] Para. 22(m) of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[29] Para. 22(d) of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[30] Para. 22(f) of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[31] Paras. 22(g) and 63 of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[32] Para. 28 of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[33] Para. 29 of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.

Impacts to identify the sources, funds, processes and initiatives under and outside of the Convention and the Paris Agreement;[34]

(t) Ensuring the expeditious disbursement of funds by the host institution in line with the policies and procedures of the Fund.[35]

III. Workplan of the Board for 2024

7. In deliberating on its workplan for 2024, the Board may wish to consider the appropriate allocation and distribution of tasks and policies to be discussed, as provided in annex I, and the sequence of decision-making throughout the course of the four meetings of the Board in 2024. Regarding the latter, the Board may also wish to take into consideration the tentative schedule of Board meetings outlined in chapter IV below and the potential implications on the timing of the Board meetings. Furthermore, the Board may wish to take into consideration interdependencies between decisions to be taken, such as from a timing or logical sequencing point of view.

8. Annex II provides an overview of the deadlines for the delivery of the mandates contained in decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5, including relevance to and interdependencies on other mandates.

9. Furthermore, the Board may wish to consider allowing for intersessional work and decision-making on certain matters, as necessary, and may wish to reflect this in its workplan as appropriate.

IV. Meetings of the Board and matters to be considered at forthcoming Board meetings

10. The schedule of Board meetings will be determined by the Board. The first meeting will take place from 30 April to 2 May 2024. The proposed schedule of Board meetings for the remainder of 2024 is as follows:

(a) Second meeting, 2–5 July;

(b) Third meeting, 30 September to 4 October;

(c) Fourth meeting, 2–5 December.

11. When developing its workplan for 2024, the Board may wish to consider the schedule of events and activities reflected in the table in annex III.

[34] Para. 10 of annex II to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.
[35] Para. 22(r) of annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.

Annex I

Matters for consideration in planning the work of the Board

First meeting	*Second meeting*	*Third meeting*	*Fourth meeting*
1. Election of Co-Chairs of the Board 2. Workplan of the Board 3. Additional rules of procedure 4. Selection of the host country of the Board 5. Matters relating to the operationalization of the Fund as a World Bank-hosted FIF 6. Arrangements for observer participation in Board meetings 7. Administrative budget and the report of the interim secretariat 8. Travel policy of the Board 9. Process for selecting the Executive Director of the Fund 10. Name of the Fund 11. Status of resources 12. Dates and venues of future Board meetings	1. Selection of the Executive Director of the Fund 2. Additional rules of procedure 3. Policies and processes for observer participation in Board meetings 4. Matters relating to the operationalization of the Fund as a World Bank-hosted FIF, including Consultation with the World Bank on elements of paragraph 20 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 and related mandates in the Governing Instrument, including an operations manual 5. Policies and processes for observer engagement: consultative forums and mechanisms for engaging and communicating with stakeholders 6. Programme approval cycle, including indicators and trigger-based approaches and accountability framework 7. Access modalities for the Fund, including a functional equivalency framework and small grants funding 8. Financial instruments, modalities and facilities 9. Selection of the host country of the Board 10. Methods for enhancing complementarity and coherence	1. Selection of the Executive Director of the Fund 2. Methods for enhancing complementarity and coherence 3. Selection of the host country of the Board 4. Matters relating to the operationalization of the Fund as a World Bank-hosted FIF: (a) Establishment of the new, independent, dedicated secretariat (b) Consideration of the governance documentation prepared for the FIF to determine whether the conditions set out in paragraph 20 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 can be met (c) Approval of hosting arrangements (d) Administrative budget and workplan for the secretariat 5. Consideration and approval of the arrangements to be concluded between the COP, the CMA and the Board of the Fund 6. Programme approval cycle, including indicators and trigger-based approaches and accountability framework 7. Access modalities for the Fund, including a functional equivalency framework and small grants funding	1. Standard procedures for identifying sources, funds, processes and initiatives under and outside of the Convention and the Paris Agreement 2. Status of the hosting arrangements 3. Accountability framework for funding approvals 4. Simplified procedures and criteria for fast-tracked screening to determine functional equivalency with internationally recognized standards 5. Financial instruments, terms and modalities 6. Resource allocation system 7. Additional thematic substructures 8. Results measurement framework 9. Report of the secretariat 10. Report of the Co-Chairs 11. Status of resources 12. Dates and venues of meetings in 2025

First meeting	*Second meeting*	*Third meeting*	*Fourth meeting*
	11. Arrangements for establishing and operationalizing the annual high-level dialogue 12. Status of draft arrangements to be concluded between the COP, the CMA and the Board of the Fund 13. Long-term fundraising and resource mobilization strategy and plan for the Fund to guide its mobilization of new, additional, predictable and adequate financial resources from all sources of funding 14. Additional thematic substructures 15. Report of the interim secretariat 16. Report of the Co-Chairs 17. Status of resources 18. Report on the first meeting of the Board	8. Financial instruments, modalities and facilities 9. Resource allocation system 10. Long-term fundraising and resource mobilization strategy and plan for the Fund to guide its mobilization of new, additional, predictable and adequate financial resources from all sources of funding 11. Additional thematic substructures 12. Mechanism to ensure the activities financed by the Fund are implemented in line with best practice environmental and social safeguards and fiduciary principles and standards that promote a high level of integrity 13. Accountability framework for funding approvals 14. First report to the COP and the CMA 15. Status of resources 16. Report of the interim secretariat 17. Report of the Co-Chairs 18. Report on the second meeting of the Board 19. Election of Co-Chairs	

Abbreviations: COP = Conference of the Parties, CMP = Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement, FIF = financial intermediary fund.

Annex II

Deadlines for delivery of mandates

Mandate	*Deadline*	*Relevant paragraph(s) of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5*	*Links to and possible implications for other mandates contained in decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5*
1. Select the Executive Director of the Fund through a merit-based, open and transparent process	Promptly	Paragraph 11 Annex I, paragraphs 22(q) and 33	Paragraphs 21–22: Dependent on whether the Fund is a World Bank-hosted FIF or an independent stand-alone institution Staff selection of the new, dedicated and independent secretariat to be managed by the Executive Director; secretariat will be headed by the Executive Director
2. Approve the job description and required qualifications for the Executive Director		Annex I, paragraph 33	Paragraphs 21–22: Dependent on whether the Fund is a World Bank-hosted FIF or an independent stand-alone institution
3. Select the host country of the Board through an open, transparent and competitive process, with the host country to confer on the Board legal personality and the legal capacity necessary for discharging its roles and functions		Paragraphs 15–16	Paragraph 19: Board discharging its roles and functions through conferral of legal personality and legal capacity to the Board, as necessary, including a hosting agreement between the Board of the Fund and the World Bank
4. If the World Bank has not confirmed that it is willing and able to meet the conditions set out in paragraph 20 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5, the Board will launch the selection process for the host country of the Fund and will seek approval of the necessary amendments to the Governing Instrument of the Fund from COP 29 and CMA 6	Within six months after the conclusion of COP 28 (12 June 2024) or from the moment the World Bank confirms that it is not willing and able to meet the conditions Amendments to the Governing Instrument of the Fund will be made at COP 29	Paragraph 21	

Mandate	*Deadline*	*Relevant paragraph(s) of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5*	*Links to and possible implications for other mandates contained in decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5*
5. Determine whether the FIF documentation ensures that the conditions can be met during the interim period. If not, the Board will: • Recommend that the COP and the CMA take the necessary steps to operationalize the Fund as an independent stand-alone institution • Propose necessary amendments to the Governing Instrument for the Fund	By COP 29 and CMA 6 From the moment the Board receives the relevant FIF documentation from the World Bank, as per paragraph 19 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 (not later than 13 August 2024) up until COP 29	Paragraph 22	If the conditions cannot be met, operationalization of the Fund as an independent stand-alone institution
6. Before the end of the interim period, undertake an independent assessment of the performance of the World Bank as host of the Fund's secretariat, to determine whether the conditions have been met If the conditions have not been met: • Recommend that the COP and the CMA take the necessary steps at the end of the interim period to establish the Fund as an independent stand-alone institution • Propose necessary amendments to the Governing Instrument of the Fund If the conditions have been met, recommend to the COP and the CMA that the World Bank be invited to continue operationalizing the Fund as an FIF, with or without conditions, as appropriate	Before the end of interim period (i.e. four years starting from the sessions of the COP and the CMA at which the Board confirms that the conditions can be met)	Paragraphs 23–24	The time frame for the independent assessment will have to ensure that the results will be available before the end of the interim period The Board's recommendations will have to be forwarded at COP 33 The results of the assessment should be available well before COP 33 to allow sufficient time for the Board to determine whether the conditions have been met and make recommendations to COP 33
7. Prior to the establishment of the FIF, provide guidance to the World Bank as it takes the necessary steps to establish the FIF	Prior to FIF establishment (starting from the sessions of the COP and the CMA at which the Board confirms that the conditions have been met)	Paragraph 25	
8. Submit annual reports to the COP and the CMA for their consideration	Prior to COP 29	Annex I, paragraph 13(c)	Board confirmation that the conditions referred to in paragraph 20 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 can be met Operationalization of the Fund as a World Bank-hosted FIF for an interim period of four years

Mandate	*Deadline*	*Relevant paragraph(s) of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5*	*Links to and possible implications for other mandates contained in decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5*
9. Develop and approve operational modalities, access modalities, financial instruments and funding structures		Annex I, paragraph 22(b)	
10. Approve a policy for the provision of grants, concessional resources and other financial instruments, modalities and facilities, taking into account access to other financial resources and debt sustainability		Annex I, paragraphs 22(d) and 57	
11. Approve specific operational policies and frameworks, including for the programme and project cycle		Annex I, paragraph 22(e)	
12. Develop a mechanism that will help ensure the activities financed by the Fund are implemented in line with environmental and social safeguards and fiduciary principles and standards that promote a high level of integrity		Annex I, paragraph 22(f)	
13. Develop, approve and periodically review the Fund's results measurement framework		Annex I, paragraphs 22(g) and 63	
14. Establish subcommittees, panels and expert bodies, as appropriate, and define their terms of reference		Annex I, paragraph 22(h)	
15. Develop an accountability framework for funding approvals		Annex I, paragraph 22(i)	
16. Develop a system for allocating resources		Annex I, paragraphs 22(j) and 60	
17. Develop relevant indicators and triggers to clarify access to different sources of support provided through the Fund		Annex I, paragraph 22(l)	
18. Establish, as appropriate, procedures for the monitoring and evaluation of performance and the financial accountability of activities financed by the Fund, and for any necessary external audits		Annex I, paragraph 22(m)	
19. Review and approve the administrative budget and work programme of the Fund and arrange for performance reviews and audits		Annex I, paragraph 22(n)	
20. Prepare a long-term fundraising and resource mobilization strategy and plan for the Fund		Annex I, paragraphs 22(p) and 56	
21. Provide recommendations to the COP and the CMA, including information on means to enhance consistency, coordination and coherence with other sources, funds,		Annex I, paragraph 22(s)	

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initiatives and processes under and outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement			
22. Elect two Co-Chairs from within its membership		Annex I, paragraph 23	
23. Develop procedures for determining when all efforts at reaching consensus have been exhausted		Annex I, paragraph 26	Development of additional rules of procedure
24. Adopt procedures for taking decisions between meetings		Annex I, paragraph 26	Development of additional rules of procedure
25. Make arrangements to allow for the effective participation of observers in its meetings, including developing and carrying out an observer accreditation process		Annex I, paragraph 27	
26. Establish consultative forums to engage and communicate with stakeholders		Annex I, paragraph 28	
27. Develop mechanisms to promote the input and participation of stakeholders		Annex I, paragraph 29	
28. Develop additional rules of procedure		Annex I, paragraph 31	
29. Develop various modalities to facilitate access to the Fund's resources		Annex I, paragraph 49	
30. Develop simplified procedures and criteria for fast-tracked screening to determine functional equivalency with internationally recognized standards of national and/or regional funding entities' safeguards and standards to manage funded programmes and projects in country, as appropriate		Annex I, paragraph 50	
31. Create an approach to developing partnerships with other entities that form part of the funding arrangements		Annex II, paragraph 9	
32. Develop standard procedures informed, inter alia, by the work of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts to identify sources, funds, processes and initiatives under and outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement that are assisting developing countries in responding to loss and damage		Annex II, paragraph 10	
33. Co-convene with the United Nations Secretary-General the annual high-level dialogue on coordination and complementarity		Annex II, paragraphs 8 and 13	

Mandate	*Deadline*	*Relevant paragraph(s) of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5*	*Links to and possible implications for other mandates contained in decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5*
34. Report on the dialogue through its annual report to the COP and the CMA, including information on actions to implement the recommendations arising from the dialogue, as well as recommendations on new funding arrangements	Prior to COP 29	Annex II, paragraph 12	
35. Develop methods to enhance complementarity between its activities and the activities of other relevant bilateral, regional and global funding mechanisms and institutions in order to better utilize the full range of financial and technical capacities and promote coherence in programming at the national level		Annex I, paragraphs 52–53	
36. Form partnerships with other funding arrangements to address priority gaps in their activities		Annex I, paragraph 53	

Abbreviations: CMA = Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement, COP = Conference of the Parties, FIF = financial intermediary fund.

Annex III

Key events in 2024

Dates	Event	Location
June		
3–13	Bonn Climate Change Conference (SB 60)	Bonn, Germany
10–14	Climate Investment Funds Trust Fund Committee Meetings	Washington, D.C., United States
17	Eid al-Adha	
17–19	Group of Seven Summit	Putignano, Italy
17–21	67th meeting of the Council of the Global Environment Facility and related meetings	Washington, D.C., United States
18–21	Third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries	Kigali, Rwanda
July		
2–5	*Option for second meeting of the Board*	
8–18	High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development	New York, United States
15–18	39th meeting of the Green Climate Fund Board	Songdo, Republic of Korea
August		
September		
11–12	Yom Kippur	
10–24	United Nations General Assembly 79	New York, United States
22–29	Climate Week NYC	New York, United States
(30) to 4 October	*Option for third meeting of the Board*	
October		
8–11	43rd Adaptation Fund Board meeting	Bonn, Germany
21 to 1 November	Sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity	Cali, Colombia
21–24	40th meeting of the Green Climate Fund Board	Songdo, Republic of Korea
24	Group of 20 finance ministerial	Washington, D.C., United States
25–27	World Bank Group/International Monetary Fund fall meetings	Washington, D.C., United States
November		
1	Diwali	
11–22	United National Climate Change Conference and related meetings	Baku, Azerbaijan
18–19	Group of 20 Leaders’ Summit 2024	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
December		
2–5	*Option for Fourth meeting of the Board*	

Dates	Event	Location
2–13	Sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention to Combat Desertification	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
16–20	68th meeting of the Council of the Global Environment Facility and related meetings	
24–25	Christmas holidays	

Abbreviation: SB = sessions of the subsidiary bodies.