

## **February 23-24 Consultations - Adaptation**

### **Introduction**

The UK (incoming COP26 Presidency) and Chile (COP25 Presidency) are pleased to invite you to this Head of Delegation meeting to discuss adaptation; how we can make progress on the topic this year and what Parties' expectations are for discussions at COP26.

As you know, this is the second of a regular series of multilateral meetings convened by the presidencies throughout 2021, as stepping stones towards reaching an ambitious, comprehensive and balanced negotiated outcome in Glasgow. Future topics will include Article 6 (in March), finance and loss & damage, which we invite you to bear in mind when engaging in this adaptation discussion.

These consultations form part of broader planning developed together with the Subsidiary Body Chairs and the UNFCCC Secretariat; all of which is guided by the shining stars of progress, transparency and inclusivity, as set out by Archie at the January consultations.

### **Discussion Questions**

The questions below are intended as guides for our discussion. Given time constraints, Heads of Delegation are encouraged to address them in the round in their interventions, focusing on elements of greatest importance to them.

- **What outcomes from COP26 will be most effective in enabling practical progress on the global goal on adaptation of enhancing adaptive capacity, strengthening resilience and reducing vulnerability to climate change? What steps should be taken ahead of and at COP26 to facilitate that practical progress?**
- **What can be done ahead of and at COP26 to improve the quantity, quality, accessibility, predictability and effectiveness of adaptation finance?**
- **How can the expected outcomes from the technical work by relevant constituted bodies, including the Adaptation Committee, best contribute towards a successful adaptation outcome at COP26, in the context of their mandates?**

### **Timing**

**The consultations will be a single conversation involving all Parties, split across two days, in an effort to enhance inclusivity.** Timings are as follows:

- 1900 - 2100 (GMT) on Tuesday 23rd February
- 12:30 - 14:30 (GMT) on Wednesday 24th February

### **Attendees**

Heads of Delegation from all Parties are invited and able to participate. SBI Chair Marianne Karlsen and SBSTA Chair Tosi Mpanu Mpanu will also attend and address Parties early in the first part of the meeting.

## **Meeting Structure**

The consultations will be co-chaired by the UK and Chile. All Parties are eligible to intervene, subject to time constraints.

The meeting will follow similar etiquette to a UNFCCC plenary, with group chairs given priority over individual Parties. Emphasis will be placed on engaging in a constructive manner, working towards shared solutions.

Next steps will be discussed at the meeting, and the presidencies will share a note with Parties afterwards for transparency.

## **Etiquette & Technical Information**

A note with further information on meeting etiquette, the technological platform used and wider logistical matters has been shared with Parties alongside this note.