

Glasgow Dialogue

Concept note by the Chair of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation

Background

COP 26 established the Glasgow Dialogue between Parties, relevant organizations and stakeholders 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.¹ The Glasgow Dialogue will take place in the first sessional period of each year of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), starting at its 56th session and concluding at its 60th session (June 2024). The SBI was requested to organize the Glasgow Dialogue in cooperation with the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts (WIM ExCom).

Overall approach

The Glasgow Dialogues will provide opportunities for Parties and non-party stakeholders to contribute to deliberations on funding arrangements in the context of averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage in an open, inclusive and non-prescriptive manner.

The Glasgow Dialogue will strive to bring together a broad range of stakeholders in a pragmatic discussion on the arrangements for the financing of activities to avert, minimize and address loss and damage, giving visibility to the frontline communities and those most vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change.

The 1st Glasgow Dialogue

The 1st Glasgow Dialogue will be held over three half-days during the 56th Session of the SBI at the World Convention Center, Bonn, Germany, as follows (time in CEST):

- Day 1, Tuesday 7 June, 16:00–19:00;
- Day 2, Wednesday 8 June, 16:00–19:00;
- Day 3, Saturday 11 June, 11:00–14:00.

The 1st Glasgow Dialogue will deliberate on and explore the landscape of how the implementation of approaches for averting, minimizing, and addressing loss and damage associated with climate change impacts are and can be funded under and outside the UNFCCC process. The discussions will be structured around guiding questions prepared by the SBI Chair in cooperation with the WIM ExCom, to facilitate Parties and non-party stakeholders to reflect on financial support for the breadth of topics addressed in the five workstreams of the WIM ExCom.

Parties and non-party stakeholders will be invited to share experiences, good practices, challenges and lessons learned through the existing finance to better understand and analyze how support is and can be responsive to the implementation of approaches to avert, minimize and address loss and damage in developing countries. There will be a virtual platform, and the proceedings will be live-streamed.

Presentations and other relevant materials from the workshop will be archived on the event page at <https://unfccc.int/event/glasgow-dialogue>. No formal report is mandated. The SBI Chair will use the views exchanged during the first Dialogue to guide arrangements for subsequent Dialogues.

Participants

The 1st Glasgow Dialogue will be open to all participants registered for the 56th sessions of the subsidiary bodies.

The outline of the 1st Glasgow Dialogue

Day 1 is in a plenary setting with scene-setting remarks, reflecting on the experience in utilizing/accessing/providing financial support for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with climate change impacts.

Day 2 will follow in a breakout group setting around guiding questions to allow interactive dialogue across diverse stakeholders.

¹ Decision 1/CMA3, para 73; endorsed by decision 1/CP.26, para 43.

Day 3 will bring back key points and reflections from the focused dialogues on day 2 for shared learning/understanding by all in the plenary setting and pave collective ways towards the 2nd Dialogue.

Guiding questions

- a) What are the arrangements for the funding of activities to avert, minimize and address loss and damage associated with the adverse impacts of climate change?
- b) What support has been effective at averting, minimizing, and addressing loss and damage? What lessons learned could improve funding, and what practices should be replicated or scaled up?
- c) What are the barriers and challenges countries face in accessing these arrangements for funding?
- d) What can be done to improve and utilise synergies and complementarities among the arrangements for the funding of activities to avert, minimize, and address loss and damage?
- e) How should our discussions this year inform the dialogue in 2023?

Draft agenda

Tuesday 7 June	16:00 – 16:15	Opening remarks by the Chair of the SBI, Ms. Marianne Karlsen Opening remarks by the Executive Secretary, Ms. Patricia Espinosa Opening remarks by the ExCom co-chairs Introduction to the 1 st Glasgow Dialogue by the co-facilitators
	16:15 – 16:30	Scene-setting: (context) IPCC
	16:30 – 17:45	Scene-setting: (experiences) Programmes and initiatives in countries and communities
	17:45 – 18:50	Scene-setting: (finance landscape)
	18:50 – 19:00	Introduction to Day 2
Wednesday 8 June	16:00 – 19:00	Breakout groups addressing guiding questions (a) – (d) a) What are the arrangements for the funding of activities to avert, minimize and address loss and damage associated with the adverse impacts of climate change? b) What support has been effective at averting, minimizing, and addressing loss and damage? What lessons learned could improve funding, and what practices should be replicated or scaled up? c) What are the barriers and challenges countries face in accessing these arrangements for funding? d) What can be done to improve and utilise synergies and complementarities among the arrangements for the funding of activities to avert, minimize, and address loss and damage?
Saturday 11 June	11:00 – 12:00	Report back and ensuing discussion
	12:00 – 13:45	Way forward towards the 2 nd Glasgow Dialogue e) How should our discussions this year inform the dialogue in 2023?
	13:45 – 14:00	Closing Remarks by the Chair of the SBI, Ms. Marianne Karlsen