

Information note by the Chairs of the Subsidiary Bodies on the Baku Adaptation Road Map

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I. Introduction and Mandate

1. In 2024, CMA 6¹ launched the Baku Adaptation Road Map (BAR) with the aim of advancing progress in line with Article 7, paragraph 1, of the Paris Agreement and supporting the implementation of the elements outlined in paragraph 38 of decision 2/CMA.5 and requested the subsidiary bodies to develop modalities for work under the Road Map.
2. In 2025, CMA 7² decided that the first phase of the BAR, covering 2026–2028, shall focus on initial implementation of activities under the Road Map, consisting of two workshops per year organized by the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies with the support of the secretariat, one to be held in session and one intersessionally, and the preparation of a technical paper by the secretariat, aimed at enhancing adaptive capacity, strengthening cooperation and facilitating adaptation planning and implementation in line with different national circumstances and in the context of Article 2, paragraph 1(a), of the Paris Agreement.
3. CMA 7³ agreed that work under the BAR should include consideration of the elements outlined in paragraph 38 of decision 2/CMA.5, focus on implementation of the global goal on adaptation in line with Article 7, paragraph 1, of the Paris Agreement and be responsive to the impacts of the temperature goal referred to in Article 2, paragraph 1(a), of the Paris Agreement.
4. CMA 7⁴ also decided that the work under the BAR shall be guided by the following:
 - (a) Aligning adaptation action with adequate adaptation responses in the context of the temperature goal of the Paris Agreement, ensuring that national and global adaptation strategies and actions reflect the risks and needs arising from different warming increments within the temperature goal;
 - (b) Strengthening implementation of the targets outlined in paragraphs 9–10 of decision 2/CMA.5;
 - (c) Enhancing knowledge-sharing;
 - (d) Ensuring access to means of implementation for adaptation, for adequate, predictable and accessible financial, technology transfer and capacity-building support, including from developed country Parties to developing country Parties, in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 1, and Articles 10–11, of the Paris Agreement.
5. CMA 7⁵ emphasized that work under the BAR should bring coherence to the UNFCCC adaptation architecture and avoid duplication of work by leveraging the mandates of and outputs of work under constituted bodies and work programmes, including the Adaptation Committee (AC), the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG) and the Nairobi work programme (NWP), and also emphasized the need for cooperation with regional adaptation networks, the private sector and research institutions in recognition of the important roles played by diverse actors in implementing the United Arab Emirates Framework for Global Climate Resilience.

¹ Decision 3/CMA.6, paragraph 29.

² Decision 12/CMA.7, paragraph 29.

³ Decision 12/CMA.7, paragraph 27.

⁴ Decision 12/CMA.7, paragraph 28.

⁵ Decision 12/CMA.7, paragraph 26

6. CMA 7 also invited Parties to submit their views on the focus of the workshops and the technical paper. As of May 2026, 18 submissions were received from Parties, which are available on the UNFCCC submission portal.⁶

7. Given the breadth of the mandate, it would not be feasible to comprehensively address all relevant issues within each workshop. The topic for the second workshop in 2026, and the proposed roadmap for the 2027–2028 workshop series, are therefore intended to provide a structured and inclusive approach, with subsequent workshops addressing complementary aspects of the mandate.

II. Topic and approach for the second workshop

8. The second workshop will take place on 7-8 September 2026 in Baku, Azerbaijan, as part of the UNFCCC Climate Week.

9. The topic of the second workshop under BAR will be: **“Strengthening implementation of the Global Goal on Adaptation, in line with Article 7, paragraph 1 of the Paris Agreement, and the UAE Framework for Global Climate Resilience: Focusing on targets 10(a)–(d)”**.⁷

10. The Chairs have selected this topic after careful review of the submissions and considering the decisions related to the BAR.

11. The workshop will be guided by the elements of decision 12/CMA.7, paragraph 28⁸, as follows:

- Consideration of how adaptation planning and implementation are informed by climate risk and impact assessments under different warming scenarios that reflect national and regional circumstances.
- An exchange of views and information on the current state of implementation of targets 10(a)–10(d) and opportunities and challenges for enhancing implementation.
- Knowledge-sharing will remain a standing feature across all workshops under the Baku Adaptation Road Map. Participants will have the space to exchange views on progress towards achieving targets, experiences in strengthening adaptation implementation, cross-cutting considerations relevant to implementation, solutions and good practices, enabling factors for implementation, and challenges, and barriers and opportunities for enhanced action and cooperation.
- Access to means of implementation for the implementation of targets 10a-d and a broader discussion on the role of technology development and transfer in advancing progress towards the global goal, mirroring the discussion on access to finance in the first workshop. Means of implementation will continue to be addressed as a cross-cutting topic throughout the workshop series.

12. The workshop will also include consideration of the elements outlined in paragraph 38 of decision 2/CMA.5 (knowledge sharing, potential input to future GSTs, enhancing understanding of the risks and impacts associated with different temperature increases across different regions, and the opportunities for building on best available science).

13. The workshop will promote coherence across the UNFCCC adaptation architecture by drawing on the mandates, expertise and outputs of relevant constituted bodies, work programmes and other relevant actors consistent with paragraph 26 of decision 12/CMA.7.

⁶ <https://submissions.unfccc.int/> (search global goal on adaptation)

⁷ Decision 2/CMA.5, paragraph 10.

⁸ Decision 12/CMA.7, paragraph 28.

14. The concept note and agenda will be published prior to the workshop.

III. Overall framing and indicative workshop topics for 2027-2028

15. In addition to identifying the topic for the second workshop, the Chairs wish to outline indicative topics for the remaining workshops. This is intended to provide an overarching context, support a structured and coherent approach across the 2027–2028 workshop series, and offer a roadmap for future discussions, while allowing flexibility for further consultations and refinement by the SB Chairs in consultation with Parties, as appropriate.

Indicative workshop topics
3rd Baku Adaptation Roadmap Workshop (June 2027) Strengthening implementation of the GGA in line with Article 7.1 of the Paris Agreement and UAE framework targets: focusing on targets 9(a)–(c). This workshop will follow the approach taken for the second workshop, as outlined in the paragraphs above
4th Baku Adaptation Roadmap Workshop (Sept/Oct 2027) Strengthening implementation of the GGA in line with Article 7.1 of the Paris Agreement and UAE framework targets: focusing on target 9(d)–(g) and issues relevant to the second GST - This workshop will follow the approach taken for the second workshop, as outlined in the paragraphs above. - It will also have a focus on GGA information inputs to GST-2, recognising that the technical dialogue will be underway.
5th Baku Adaptation Roadmap Workshop (June 2028) Strengthening implementation of the GGA in line with Article 7.1 of the Paris Agreement: Bringing it all together and cross-cutting considerations This workshop will provide an opportunity to reflect on the key issues addressed in the first four workshops and address cross-cutting considerations such as equity, justice including Intergenerational Justice, ethical engagement with indigenous knowledge systems and science and other aspects that may not have been fully addressed in previous workshops.
6th Baku Adaptation Roadmap Workshop (Sept/Oct 2028) Strengthening implementation of the GGA in line with Article 7.1 of the Paris Agreement: Consolidating insights: emerging solutions, remaining gaps, and the way forward This workshop will build on the 5th workshop with a view to presenting a comprehensive picture of emerging solutions, identifying remaining gaps, and highlighting areas requiring further action to advance adaptation implementation.

IV. Topic of the technical paper under the Baku Adaptation Road Map

16. The technical paper is a mandated outcome of the first phase of the Road Map. The Chairs considered the technical paper's theme should align closely with the mandate. Initial discussions reflected broad agreement that the paper should focus on adaptation implementation, but views differed on how this should be further narrowed. The Chairs

consider the most inclusive approach would be to align the technical paper with the overall aim of the Road Map, namely looking at opportunities and barriers and existing and emerging solutions to enhancing adaptive capacity, strengthening cooperation, and facilitating adaptation planning and implementation in line with different national circumstances and in the context of Article 2, paragraph 1(a), of the Paris Agreement, as referred to in paragraph 29 of decision 12/CMA.7.