

14<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Adaptation Committee

Agenda item 8.b

# Workshop to advance the engagement of the private sector in adaptation

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## I: Introduction and background

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- ❖ The AC agreed to advance activities on the engagement of the private sector
- ❖ As agreed at AC11, a mapping of actors was undertaken, entailing preparation of a review of relevant literature , together with an open survey of private sector adaptation action and motivations
- ❖ Reports on these activities, as well as an overview report presenting key findings as well as possible next steps were considered at AC12
- ❖ As a follow-up to this work, the AC agreed to convene a workshop in 2018 and agreed on the scope and guiding questions, the flow and format of the sessions and potential partner organizations at AC13



## II: Scope and programme

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- ❖ Based on the outcomes of AC13, the title of the workshop is “Fostering the engagement of the agri-food sector in resilience to climate change”;
- ❖ The workshop will take place on 29-31 October in Geneva, Switzerland and will be hosted by the International Trade Centre (ITC);
- ❖ Three main topics:
  1. Assessing climate risks for enterprises in the agri-food sector and designing adaptation strategies;
  2. Implementing climate change adaptation strategies;
  3. Designing policies to scale up private sector adaptation action.



### III: Programme

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- ❖ Organizations were asked to contribute to the workshop through a call for contribution;
- ❖ This resulted in the organization of 15 workshop and open lab sessions by 24 partner organizations;
- ❖ In terms of participation, 96 participants were registered as of 19 October
- ❖ Participation is balanced in terms of developed and developing country experts as well as gender and type of organization.



### III: Outreach and follow-up

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- ❖ Outreach via the International Trade Centre's social media channels and supported through the UNFCCC secretariat's channels;
- ❖ Comprehensive news article to be distributed after the meeting;
- ❖ Building up a network of private sector contacts;
- ❖ Draft report prior to COP24.

