



**Twentieth meeting of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage
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About this document

This document provides information on guidance provided by the COP and CMA that might be of relevance to the ExCom in its consideration of collaboration with the Advisory Board of the Santiago network and engagement in the work under the Santiago network. The ExCom will be invited to consider any action as needed.

1. CMA 2 established, as part of the WIM, the Santiago network for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change to catalyse technical assistance for implementing relevant approaches at the local, national and regional level in developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change.
2. The table below provides relevant excerpts from COP and CMA decisions that might be of relevance to the ExCom in its collaboration with the Advisory Board of the Santiago network and engagement in the work under the Santiago network, and suggestions for possible approaches for each provision.

Relevant provisions from COP and CMA containing guidance of relevance to the ExCom in its collaboration with the Advisory Board of the Santiago network and engagement in the work under the Santiago network

<i>Mandate</i>	<i>Possible approach</i>
Decision 6/CMA.5 endorsed by decision 2/CP.28 Report of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts	
<i>Para 7 (b)</i> [Requests the Executive Committee, in implementing its functions, to:] Engage actively in the work under the Santiago network and collaborate with the Advisory Board of the Santiago network through the representation of the Executive Committee on the Board as provided for in decision 12/CMA.4 and endorsed in decision 11/CP.27;	ExCom designated two of its members as members of the Advisory board at ExCom 19
<i>Para 7 (c)</i> Promote the use of the technical guides and knowledge products developed by the Executive Committee and its thematic expert groups, at the regional and national level, including for undertaking activities under the Santiago network and during dedicated virtual meetings, as appropriate;	Linkages with Activities of the five-year rolling workplan #3, #14, #15, #22, #27, #29, #36. ExCom may wish to take note of the guidance in undertaking these activities.
Decision 12/CMA.4 endorsed by decision 11/CP.27 Santiago network for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage under the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts	
<i>Annex I para 6 (b)</i> [The Santiago network secretariat shall manage day-to-day operations of the Santiago network, including:] Ensuring the coordination and collaboration of the work of the Santiago network with relevant UNFCCC constituted bodies, in particular the Executive Committee, as well as exploring synergies with other initiatives and networks;	ExCom may wish to explore ways to share information related to the implementation of relevant activities its five-year rolling workplan and the plans of action of its expert groups, task force and technical expert group. Linkages with Activities of the five-year rolling workplan #3, #4, #13, #14, #15, #16, #17
<i>Annex I para 6 (d)</i> [The Santiago network secretariat shall manage day-to-day operations of the Santiago network, including:] Developing and executing the work programme approved by the Advisory Board, building on synergies with the five-year rolling workplan of the Executive Committee;	ExCom may wish to explore ways to share information related to the implementation of its five-year rolling workplan and the plans of action of its expert groups, task force and technical expert group.
<i>Annex I para 7 (e)</i> [The Advisory Board will:] Approve the work programme of the Santiago network, ensuring, as much as possible, coherence and synergies with the five-year rolling workplan of the Executive Committee and the plans of action of the expert groups, task force and technical expert group of the Warsaw International Mechanism;	ExCom may wish to explore ways to share information related to the adoption and implementation of its five-year rolling workplan and the plans of action of its expert groups, task force and technical expert group to facilitate the

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Annex I para 8 [The Advisory Board, with the aim of achieving fair and balanced representation, shall be composed of the following:]
(c) (c) Two members of the Executive Committee, nominated by the Executive Committee from among its members.

Advisory Board in ensuring coherence and synergies with its work programme.

ExCom nominated its representatives at ExCom 19.

Annex I para 19 The Santiago network secretariat will prepare an annual report and submit it to the Advisory Board for its consideration and approval. The approved report will be forwarded to the secretariat to be included in a joint annual report of the Santiago network and the Executive Committee submitted to the governing body or bodies through their subsidiary bodies.

Decision 2/CMA.2 noted by decision 2/CP.25 Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage and its 2019 review

Para 45 Requests the Executive Committee to include relevant information from the organizations, bodies, networks and experts that have reported on their progress, as referred to in paragraph 44 above, in its annual reports

Mandate implemented annually through the annual report of the ExCom. See [Addendum 1](#) of the 2023 report. This is now superseded by above arrangement.
