



Katowice Committee of Experts on the Impacts of the implementation of response measures

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Enhancing the work of the Katowice Committee of Experts on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures

A background note

I. Background

1. The Katowice Committee of Experts on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures (KCI), at its 9th meeting, held an initial discussion on how the KCI can enhance its work. At the same meeting, the KCI requested the Co-Chairs to prepare a background note on this matter.

2. The Co-Chairs of the KCI, with the support from the secretariat, worked during intersessional period and prepared the background note for the consideration of the KCI at its 10th meeting.

II. Scope of note

3. This background note provides information on how the KCI has been implementing its work so far and proposals to enhance its work. The note is informed by discussion held by KCI at its 9th meeting, and efforts and techniques that the KCI has been using to implement workplan activities.

III. Techniques used by the KCI to implement workplan activities to date

4. The KCI meets two times in a year. Until 2023, the meetings of the KCI were held for two days in conjunction with the sessions of the subsidiary bodies.¹ From 2024, the first meeting of the KCI will be held over two days in conjunction with the sessions of the subsidiary bodies in the first sessional period of the year and the second meeting will be held intersessionally over three days.²

5. The workplan³ of the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures and its KCI was agreed upon by the Parties, outlining the activities to be undertaken by both the forum and the KCI during 2020 – 2025 and specifying the output for each activity to be delivered by specific SB sessions, using a particular set of modalities.

6. The KCI used the following modalities⁴ in order to carry out its work:

¹ Decision 7/CMA.1.

² Decisions 13/CP.28, 4/CMP.18 and 19/CMA.5, annex, para 5(a).

³ Decisions 4/CP.25, 5/CMP.15 and 4/CMA.2, annex II.

⁴ Decisions 13/CP.28, 4/CMP.18 and 19/CMA.5, annex, para.6.

- (a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices;
- (b) Preparing technical papers, national, regional, and sector specific case studies, concrete examples and guidelines;
- (c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations;
- (d) Organizing workshops.

7. The latest rules of procedure of the Katowice Committee of Experts on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures allows the KCI use electronic means of communication to facilitate intersessional work.⁵

8. To organize its work effectively and meet the specified timeline for delivering outputs, the KCI agrees upon a strategy for executing each activity, utilizing the modality specific to each activity, and establishes a working group to lead on each of the activities.

9. For workplan activities which require the preparation of knowledge products, such as technical papers or concrete examples, the KCI opened calls for input from experts, practitioners and relevant organizations at the beginning. These inputs were integrated in initial drafts of the knowledge products. Subsequent versions of the knowledge products were developed, incorporating feedback from KCI members during the KCI meetings and/or intersessional periods, as well as input from observers during the KCI meeting.

10. Some activities outlined in the workplan involved modalities such as input from experts, practitioners and relevant organizations, as well as exchange and sharing of experience and best practices. To operationalize these modalities, the KCI initiated calls for input from experts, practitioners and relevant organizations. During meetings, a member of the working group presented the received inputs and KCI members engaged in discussions related to the topic of the activities. Occasionally, the KCI also invited specific stakeholders with expertise in the topic to participate in the discussion.

11. For one specific activity, i.e. activity 8⁶ of the workplan, the KCI launched a survey to obtain input and insight from stakeholders, in particular private sector, and utilized the input to prepare a technical paper. In addition to this, taking advantage of its communication and outreach strategy,⁷ the KCI also organized events, specifically inviting private sector as resources and audience, at MENA, LAC and Asia Pacific Regional Climate Weeks 2023, to further obtain information from private sector, in particular pertaining to the result of the survey.

IV. Observations

12. Observers and stakeholders from various backgrounds and covering expertise in different areas have contributed to the work of the KCI. While the KCI has drawn from these contributions, there is scope for the KCI to further utilize the vast expertise available from these observers and stakeholders. Furthermore, the KCI considers that it could benefit from contribution from more observers and stakeholders.

13. While the work of the KCI, to some extent, has reached policy makers, it has not reached wider stakeholders from whom the policy-making process could benefit. The KCI will consider ways to enhance the circulation of its products to ensure a fuller achievement of its intended impacts.

14. Occasionally, the KCI considers the modalities decided in the workplan to implement certain activities have restricted the KCI to optimally implement such activities.

⁵ Decisions 19/CP.26 and 7/CMP.16 and 23/CMA.3, annex II, paras. 38 and 47.

⁶ Identify and exchange experiences and best practices in engaging the private sector, including small and medium-sized enterprises and public-private partnerships, to facilitate the creation of decent work and quality jobs in low greenhouse gas emission sectors.

⁷ KCI Communication and Outreach Strategy 2022 – 2023, document KCI/2022/6/10, annex VII.

V. Potential areas for enhancement

15. In order to increase the visibility of KCI's work and its value proposition among stakeholders, with the aim to boost the impacts of KCI's work, two areas that can contribute to enhancing the work of KCI include:

- (a) Stakeholders' involvement in implementation of its workplan;
- (b) Communication and outreach to wider stakeholders.

A. Expanding stakeholder diversity and collaboration scope

16. As the work programme areas of the forum and its KCI concern a wide range of stakeholders, the KCI is committed to actively involving and engaging with a wide range of stakeholders and fostering diverse partnerships and collaborations. This endeavour will encompass engagement with, inter alia: private sector, including sectoral actors; academia, comprising universities, research institutions, and think tanks; funding partners from both public and private sectors; non-profit entities, such as UN agencies and other pertinent organizations and initiatives operating at national, regional, and global scales; and bodies under the Paris Agreement and the UNFCCC. Additionally and where appropriate, efforts will be made to engage high-level individuals, senior officials, and champions at global, sectoral, and regional levels, including figures associated with UNFCCC COP Presidencies and high-level Climate Champions.

17. Such collaborations will be developed over time and ensure timely and fit-for-purpose adjustments to its approach in the face of emerging priorities and mandates. These collaborations may include:

- (a) Collaboration and partnerships **for purpose of knowledge** to gain practical and policy related insights, to gather good practices and lessons learned, to conduct and use scientific research, gather insights into national and regional level needs, priorities, and actions; to promote coherence and utilize complementarities in the co-development of knowledge products;
- (b) Collaboration and partnerships **for pursuing dissemination and outreach** to capitalize on the role, credibility and network of stakeholders;
- (c) Collaboration and partnership **to mobilize** efforts towards the full implementation of the KCI activities.

B. Stakeholder engagement for implementing workplan activities

18. The KCI may enhance the engagement of stakeholders which can deliver and support the implementation of the workplan activities by:

- (a) Co-developing knowledge products;
- (b) Requesting inputs from specific stakeholders having expertise in the topics of the knowledge product being prepared to provide input;
- (c) Requesting specific experts to review the draft knowledge products prior to publishing the product.
- (d) Collaborating in organizing events or webinars;
- (e) Organizing a webinar with relevant stakeholders to gather early input to prepare the knowledge product;

19. For each knowledge product to be developed, the KCI can agree in advance, the way(s) it wants to engage stakeholders.

C. Strategic collaboration and partnerships to mobilize efforts

20. The KCI may establish collaboration and partnerships with various agencies, entities or organizations to mobilize efforts that can support the work of the KCI in general or specific work programme areas. These can include, among others, partnerships (such as with governments, philanthropic organizations, businesses, and other), provide specific expertise in the areas of the work programme, and support the outreach of KCI work.

21. These collaboration and partnerships can be established through formal or informal agreements such as memorandum of understanding, exchange of letters, or other agreements.

D. Communication and outreach to wider stakeholders

22. The communication and outreach strategy of the KCI lays out activities to be undertaken to communicate the work of the KCI and outreach to stakeholders.

23. Activities from the strategy that the KCI can undertake which can help enhance its work include:

(a) Organization of events, in a consistent manner or frequency, at which it can interact with stakeholders;

(b) Raise the level of events by featuring high-level entities or/and figures in KCI events (e.g. special addresses, keynote roles, convening roles);

(c) Publication of one-pagers of its publications and policy briefs drafted in the language that caters to wider audience or stakeholders, or to specific audience or stakeholders;

(d) While sessions of the subsidiary bodies and Regional Climate Weeks are occasions during which the KCI organizes in-person events, the KCI can also organize events in conjunction with other regional events organized by other intergovernmental organisations, including in hybrid form.

24. KCI can also organise webinars for different purposes such as:

(a) Promoting its publications, including informing stakeholders of the usefulness of publications to them;

(b) Holding discussions on specific topics on the basis of its publications;

(c) Brainstorming with stakeholders on emerging issues or topics and how the KCI can contribute to the discussion of these topics through its existing activities.

VI. Expected action by the Katowice Committee of Experts on the Impacts of the implementation of response measures

25. Considering the information in sections III – V above, the KCI will be invited to provide comments and agree on how it can enhance its work.

26. Further, KCI may revise its communication and engagement strategy, as appropriate to include agreed elements and amend its approach over the course of implementing its upcoming workplan.