

Co-facilitators' informal note

on

SBSTA/SBI agenda item 6

Matters relating to the work programme for urgently scaling up mitigation ambition and implementation referred to in paragraph 27 of decision 1/CMA.3

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Guiding principles related to the work programme

- Be based on the principles and provisions of the Convention and the Paris Agreement, including equity and common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities
- Be informed by science
- Align with the objective of the Convention and purpose and goals of the Paris Agreement, with no renegotiation of the Paris Agreement
- Not result in further obligations for [developing country] Parties and not undermine the nationally determined character of nationally determined contributions (NDCs)
- Be led by developed country Parties
- Be led by Parties with larger shares of global emissions and greater capabilities
- Be facilitative, practical, pragmatic, non-punitive and non-prescriptive
- Special circumstances of the least developed countries and small island developing States

Objective

- To urgently scale up mitigation ambition and implementation in this critical decade in a manner that complements the global stocktake [as referred to in decision 1/CMA.3]
- [To close the emissions gap between NDCs and the pathway to the Paris Agreement temperature goal]
- [The emissions gap should be addressed through the global stocktake]

Outcomes

- Ambitious climate action enabled and NDCs implemented
- Capacity of Parties to achieve sustainable development strengthened
- Existing goals and commitments implemented and ambition of goals and commitments increased
- Enhanced support for developing country Parties, including finance, technology transfer and capacity-building
- Shared understanding gained of the meaning of mitigation ambition
- Parties collectively placed on the pathway to achieve the 1.5 °C goal in this decade
- NDCs and concrete actions by major emitters with capabilities

Scope

- Identification of barriers and challenges under thematic areas
- Exchange of best practices and lessons learned related to thematic areas
- Strengthening of the link between mitigation and means of implementation

- Recognition of technology as an enabler of mitigation
- Organization of work under the following potential thematic areas:
 - Thematic areas from the contribution of Working Group III to the Sixth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
 - IPCC sectors
 - Thematic areas that do not duplicate the work of the IPCC
 - Just transition
 - Thematic areas that link with the Sustainable Development Goals
 - Elements in decision 1/CMA.3 (e.g. reduction in emissions of gases other than carbon dioxide, transition towards low-emission energy systems, generation of clean power, implementation of energy efficiency measures, phasedown of unabated coal power, phase-out of inefficient fossil fuel subsidies)
 - Thematic areas arising from findings in the reports on the synthesis of NDCs and long-term low-emission development strategies (LT-LEDS)
 - Aligning NDCs with LT-LEDS
 - Legal and institutional frameworks supporting the implementation of the NDCs and LT-LEDS
 - Institutional mechanisms to strengthen NDCs
 - Circular economy approaches
 - Sustainable lifestyles
 - Carbon pricing
 - Economic diversification
 - Impact of response measures
 - Mitigation co-benefits of adaptation
 - [Real progress of] Glasgow Breakthrough work areas
 - How to bring down the green premium associated with low carbon technologies and facilitate their rapid deployment worldwide (for steel, hydrogen, land transportation, power)
 - Ambition related to means of implementation and fulfilment of obligations on finance by developed countries
 - Pre-2020 achievement and gap
 - Equitable access to the remaining carbon budget
 - [Thematic areas that link mitigation, adaptation, and loss and damage][Thematic areas that do not duplicate topics covered by constituted bodies]
 - Benchmarks to assess mitigation progress (e.g. peak emissions, halving of emissions by 2030)
 - [Sectoral approach with target benchmark][Voluntary sectoral target][No universal sectoral, gas and policy-specific targets]
 - Global study of mitigation potential to identify a menu of actions with flexibility for Parties to decide on specific actions in a nationally determined manner
 - Cosmobiocentric and econocentric approaches

Modalities

- Timeline:
 - Run until 2030
 - Focused plan for next two to three years
 - [Start activities (e.g. discuss findings in the reports on the synthesis of NDCs and LT-LEDS) before COP 27/CMA 4 (November 2022)] [No activity before COP 27/CMA 4 (November 2022)]
- Platform to share experience and knowledge (e.g. success stories, challenges, plans, mitigation policies and measures, technologies), with a focus on implementation of NDCs
- [Four][Several] virtual and/or in-person workshops, regional workshops or intersessional workshops
- Workshops can be held in conjunction with regional climate weeks and/or relevant events such as the IRENA Assembly
- Technical dialogues
- Participation of government officials from relevant line ministries
- Non-Party stakeholder participation

- Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action high-level champions, business community, research community, intergovernmental organizations
- Practitioners to lead technical level discussions
- Stakeholder participation is not to shift responsibility from Parties
- [Midterm] review (e.g. 2024, 2026)
- Monitoring progress of the work programme, to be implemented in line with the best available science

Institutional arrangements

- Independent technical process supported by the subsidiary bodies
- Joint subsidiary body contact group to follow up and manage the work programme
- Chairing arrangements:
 - Appointed Co-Chairs
 - COP Presidency
 - Subsidiary body Chairs
- Define who prepares report and set thematic work areas
- Link to high-level ministerial round table on pre-2030 ambition

Inputs

- Submissions and other inputs from Parties
- Submissions and other inputs from non-Party stakeholders (e.g. Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action, business community, research community, intergovernmental organizations)
- Inputs from Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action high-level champions
- Inputs from the IPCC [Working Group III]
- Reports on the synthesis of NDCs [and LT-LEDS]
- National communications, biennial reports, biennial update reports, biennial transparency reports
- Outcomes of the high-level ministerial round table on pre-2030 ambition
- CMA decisions
- Inputs from other UNFCCC processes
- Inputs from the findings of the global stocktake
- [Activities of voluntary initiatives and partnerships][Not to include inputs from voluntary activities because not all Parties have chosen to participate]

Outputs

- Summary report of the work programme outputs as an input to the high-level ministerial round table on pre-2030 ambition
- Annual summary report of the work programme outputs as an input to the CMA
- Subsidiary body conclusions and/or CMA decision on the work programme
- Technical papers on thematic work areas
- Global carbon budget tracker
- Elaboration of norms and guidance

Advancing the work on the draft decision before CMA 4

- [Intersessional work, including:
 - Call for submissions
 - Summary report of submissions by the secretariat
 - Informal notes
 - Workshop[s]]
- [No intersessional work]