## Mandates for the ExCom as contained in COP/CMA decisions

## **ExCom's overarching mandate**

Also establishes an executive committee of the Warsaw international mechanism, which shall function under the guidance of, and be accountable to, the Conference of the Parties, to guide the implementation of functions referred to under paragraph 5 below:

Decision 2/CP.19, para 2

- 5. Also decides that the Warsaw international mechanism shall fulfil the role under the Convention of promoting the implementation of approaches to address loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change, pursuant to decision 3/CP.18, in a comprehensive, integrated and coherent manner by undertaking, inter alia, the following functions:
  - a. Enhancing knowledge and understanding of comprehensive risk management approaches to address loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change, including slow onset impacts, by facilitating and promoting:
    - (i) Action to address gaps in the understanding of and expertise in approaches to address loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change, including, inter alia, the areas outlined in decision 3/CP.18, paragraph 7(a);
    - (ii) Collection, sharing, management and use of relevant data and information, including gender-disaggregated data;
    - (iii) Provision of overviews of best practices, challenges, experiences and lessons learned in undertaking approaches to address loss and damage;
  - b. Strengthening dialogue, coordination, coherence and synergies among relevant stakeholders by:
    - (i) Providing leadership and coordination and, as and where appropriate, oversight under the Convention, on the assessment and implementation of approaches to address loss and damage associated with the impacts of climate change from extreme events and slow onset events associated with the adverse effects of climate change;
    - (ii) Fostering dialogue, coordination, coherence and synergies among all relevant stakeholders, institutions, bodies, processes and initiatives outside the Convention, with a view to promoting cooperation and collaboration across relevant work and activities at all levels;<sup>1</sup>
  - c. Enhancing action and support, including finance, technology and capacity-building, to address loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change, so as to enable countries to undertake actions pursuant to decision 3/CP.18, paragraph 6, including by:
    - (i) Providing technical support and guidance on approaches to address loss and damage associated with climate change impacts, including extreme events and slow onset events;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All levels refer to national, regional and international levels.

(ii)	Providing information and recommendations for consideration by the Conference of the Parties when providing guidance relevant to reducing the risks of loss and damage and, where necessary, addressing loss and damage, including to the operating entities of the financial mechanism of the Convention, as appropriate; Facilitating the mobilization and securing of expertise, and enhancement of support, including finance, technology and capacity-building, to strengthen existing approaches and, where necessary, facilitate the development and implementation of additional approaches to address loss and damage associated with climate change impacts, including extreme weather events and slow onset events;	
	Mandates related to interfacing with the governing body/bodies (reporting)	
Requests the executive committee to report annually to the Conference of the Parties through the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation and make recommendations, as appropriate;		Decision 2/CP.19, para 3
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 report  (Para 44 referred to contains provision regarding OBNEs providing information on their progress in providing technical assistance under the Santiago network)		Decision 2/CMA.2, para 45

Requests the Executive Committee, in collaboration with the Green Climate Fund, as an operating entity of the Financial Mechanism,	Decision 2/CMA.2,
to clarify how developing country Parties may access funding from the Green Climate Fund for the development of funding proposals	para 39
related to the strategic workstreams of the five-year rolling workplan of the Executive Committee, consistently with paragraph 38	
above, and to include information thereon in its annual reports	

Decision 3/CP.25,

para 12

Requests all constituted bodies to continue to include in their regular reports information on progress towards integrating a gender

perspective into their processes

Provisions relevant to updating of the 5YRWP	
Encourages the Executive Committee to take into account when updating its five-year rolling workplan areas of work that may require	Decision 2/CMA.2,
short-, medium- and long-term consideration and efforts, including in relation to sustainable development and transformative change,	para 16
in the context of the work of each of its thematic expert groups	

Encourages the Executive Committee:  (a) To seek ways to continue enhancing its responsiveness, effectiveness and performance in implementing activities in its five-year rolling workplan, particularly those under workstream (e);  (b) To continue its work on human mobility under strategic workstream (d) of its five-year rolling workplan, including by considering the activities set out in paragraphs 38 and 39 of its report referred to in paragraph 1(a) above;	Decision 10/CP.24, para 5 (a), (b),	
Encourages the Executive Committee  (c) To draw upon the work, information and expertise of bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, as well as international processes, such as the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030, including when executing its work through the technical expert group on comprehensive risk management established under workstream (c) of the five-year rolling workplan;   (e) To increase its consideration of groups vulnerable to the adverse impacts of climate change when implementing its five-year rolling workplan;	Decision 10/CP.24, para 5 (c) and (e)	
Requests the Executive Committee to include in its five-year rolling workplan relevant work for advancing the operationalization of the mandates ensuing from decision 1/CP.21, paragraphs 48 and 49:  48. Requests the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism to establish a clearing house for risk transfer that serves as a repository for information on insurance and risk transfer, in order to facilitate the efforts of Parties to develop and implement comprehensive risk management strategies;  49. Also requests the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism to establish, according to its procedures and mandate, a task force to complement, draw upon the work of and involve, as appropriate, existing bodies and expert groups under the Convention including the Adaptation Committee and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, as well as relevant organizations and expert bodies outside the Convention, to develop recommendations for integrated approaches to avert, minimize and address displacement related to the adverse impacts of climate change	Decision 3/CP.22, para 6	
Notes that the Executive Committee will evaluate progress towards implementing its five-year rolling workplan on an interim basis, as appropriate	Decision 3/CP.22, para 6	
Mandates concerning Science-policy interface		

Encourage the Executive Committee: d) To continue consideration of scientific information needs and knowledge gaps with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and other scientific organizations;	Decision 10/CP.24, para 5 (d)
Recommends that the following may advance the work of the Executive Committee: c) Improving access to, and interaction with, relevant scientific and technical panels, bodies and expertise available to the Warsaw International Mechanism, its Executive Committee and substructures over time, including by, inter alia, inviting relevant organizations at all levels and scientific research organizations with expertise in science relevant to loss and damage to ensure that the best available science is highlighted in the work of the Warsaw International Mechanism;	Decision 4/CP.22, para 4 (c)
Mandate concerning the Glasgow Dialogue	
Requests the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to organize the Glasgow Dialogue in cooperation with the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts	Decision 1/CMA.3 para 74
Mandates from the most recent COP/CMA	
Encourages, recognizing the urgent need for scaling-up of action and support, as appropriate, including finance, technology and capacity-building, for the implementation of relevant approaches to averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage in developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change, the Executive Committee, on the basis of its recommendation, to:  (a) Continue engaging and strengthening its dialogue with the Standing Committee on Finance, including by providing input to the Standing Committee on Finance when, in accordance with its mandate, it provides information, recommendations and draft guidance relating to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, as appropriate;  (b) Commence, continue and/or explore potential ways to enhance, as appropriate, collaboration with the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism to inform the work of the Executive Committee and its expert group on action and support	Decisions 19/CMA.3 and 17/CP.26, para 12 (a) and (b)
Other mandate arising from the 2 <sup>nd</sup> review of the WIM	
Encourages the Executive Committee to communicate its outputs in formats that are easy to translate, adapt and access in different contexts and by different users	Decision 2/CMA.2, para 11

Requests the Executive Committee to identify modalities for fostering the sharing of relevant knowledge and experience among practitioners and vulnerable countries in an interactive and practical manner	Decision 2/CMA.2 para 12
Requests the Executive Committee and its thematic expert groups, in undertaking their work, to draw upon the work of and involve, as appropriate, relevant constituted bodies, networks and work programmes, as appropriate	Decision 2/CMA.2 para 21
Encourages the Executive Committee to draw upon the work, information and expertise of bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, as well as on international processes, such as the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030	Decision 2/CMA.2 para 22
Invites the Executive Committee, acknowledging the need to strengthen risk assessment, to engage relevant experts and collect and disseminate information on methodologies available for integrating long-term assessment, including those associated with the quantification of risks, into comprehensive climate risk management approaches, including national and subnational assessment and planning processes	Decision 2/CMA.2 para 23
Also requests the Executive Committee and its thematic expert groups to develop technical guides within their work on their respective thematic areas, avoiding duplication of work across workstreams, which include sections on the following:  (a) Risk assessments, including long-term risk assessments, of climate change impacts;  (b) Approaches to averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the risk assessments referred to in (a) above;  (c) Resources available for supporting such approaches;  (d) Monitoring systems for assessing the effectiveness of these approaches	Decision 2/CMA.2 para 26
Encourages the Executive Committee, Parties, relevant constituted bodies and organizations under and outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement and other relevant stakeholders to facilitate or enhance research on, and share good practices for, averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage, including long-term risk assessment and risk communication	Decision 2/CMA.2 para 28
Requests the Executive Committee, in collaboration with relevant organizations, to foster public education and awareness-raising efforts at the regional, national and local level, including efforts with a capacity-building component	Decision 2/CMA.2 para 29

Requests the Executive Committee to further engage and strengthen its dialogue with the Standing Committee on Finance by providing input in line with decision 2/CP.19, paragraph 5(c)(ii), to the Standing Committee on Finance when, in accordance with its mandate, it provides information, recommendations and draft guidance relating to the operating entities of the financial mechanisms under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, as appropriate	Decision 2/CMA.2, para 37
Other mandates from the 1 <sup>st</sup> review of the WIM	
Recommends that the following may advance the work of the Executive Committee:  (a) Enhancing collaboration, cooperation and partnerships with bodies, entities and work programmes, including the Paris Committee on Capacity-building, within and outside the Convention;  (b) Considering the establishment of, as appropriate, additional expert groups, subcommittees, panels, thematic advisory groups or focused working groups to assist it in conducting its work and supporting its efforts to enhance action and support for loss and damage as provided for in decision 2/CP.19, paragraph 5(c)(i–iii);  (c) Improving access to, and interaction with, relevant scientific and technical panels, bodies and expertise available to the Warsaw International Mechanism, its Executive Committee and substructures over time, including by, inter alia, inviting relevant organizations at all levels and scientific research organizations with expertise in science relevant to loss and damage to ensure that the best available science is highlighted in the work of the Warsaw International Mechanism;  (d) Inviting interested Parties to establish a loss and damage contact point through their respective UNFCCC national focal point, with a view to enhancing the implementation of approaches to address loss and damage associated with the adverse impacts of climate change at the national level;	Decision 4/CP.22, para 4 (a), (b), (c), (d)
Other mandates pre-date 1 <sup>st</sup> review of the WIM	
Encourages the Executive Committee to seek further ways to enhance its responsiveness, effectiveness and performance by improving the planning and organization of its work, including in the context of the operations of its expert groups, subcommittees, panels, thematic advisory groups and task-focused ad hoc working groups, such as appropriate balanced representation, expertise of membership in accordance with the tasks, and the duration of the mandates of those expert groups, subcommittees, panels, thematic advisory groups and task-focused ad hoc working groups;	Decision 5/CP.23. para 18
Requests the Executive Committee, in accordance with its mandate <sup>2</sup> and the report referred to in paragraph 1 above:	Decision 5/CP.23. para 19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Decision 2/CP.19, paragraphs 2 and 5.

(a) To consider, when updating its five-year rolling workplan, cross-cutting issues and current, urgent and emerging needs related to extreme weather events and slow onset events, including but not limited to drought and floods, in developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change, vulnerable populations and the ecosystems that they depend on; (b) To enhance its efforts in ensuring that information generated from its work is converted into user-friendly products, such as tools and methods, and material for training modules, with a view to enhancing the coherence and effectiveness of relevant efforts undertaken at the regional and national level, as appropriate; (c) To consider, through collaboration and partnerships, the development and the dissemination at all levels of user-friendly information and communication products on averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage issues of relevance to the regional and national context; Encourages the Executive Committee to collaborate with other bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement Decision 5/CP.23. within the scope of their respective mandates and to continue considering ways of facilitating the mobilization and para 20 securing of expertise, and the enhancement of support, including finance, technology and capacity-building, including its work on enhancing action and support, and when considering the composition and mandates of its expert groups and those it may establish;