

GST RT Adaptation 8/6

Norway welcome and consider that the summary report and the emerging messages captures the rich exchange on adaptation and loss and damage in the GST in a good way. Having said that, there are room for improvements. Several speakers have for example highlighted the importance of the GGA to the GST and Norway would add its voice to the call for this be better reflected in the summary report. On structure we are drawn to the adaptation cycle idea suggested by US, and we need to make sure that we address the way forward in a comprehensive roadmap to strengthen adaptation across all aspects and elements of adaptation.

Norway would like to highlight a couple of areas which we would have liked to see better reflected – which you have in your note has called “missing areas”.

The first area that needs a stronger focus is the importance of nature-based adaptation as also mentioned by the EU. The IPCC highlights the need to protect nature as well as our dependence of functional ecosystems. **Our lack of protecting nature is a recipe for failing to protect ourselves.** The IPCC provides many options for solutions and we encourage that this be drawn upon in the next iteration.

IPCC also highlights that nature-based solutions rely on and will be more effective when **based on cooperation and inclusive decision making with indigenous peoples, recognising their inherent rights, as well as with local communities.** We expect this be reflected in the next version of the summary report.

The second area we would like to see better reflected is the importance that we look beyond what we are doing under UNFCCC. In all our efforts to address the impacts of climate change we must connect the dots in the wider landscape. This will not only contribute to efficiency but ensure that we are comprehensive in our support to affected countries and communities. On loss and damage related to this we would like to highlight the importance of the building bridges or the so-called nexus between humanitarian assistance and long-term development support. This is key for the reconstruction phase after an extreme event and we would like to see this reflected in the summary report.

Turning to the emerging messages we believe the four points made are all important but need to be more concrete and actionable. We have heard several good proposals today, including what was proposed from Canada on indigenous people.

On point 4 highlighting the urgency of scaling up funding for adaptation and LD, Norway strongly agree that expanded and innovative sources of finance is essential. However, many such solutions require time to deliver with scale, quality and efficiency. We hope this be reflected in the next version.