



## **Paris Agreement Implementation and Compliance Committee**

**Document PAICC/2023/M9/4**

**Report of the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Paris Agreement Implementation and Compliance Committee**

**Dates: 18–19 April 2023**

**Venue: secretariat headquarters, Bonn (hybrid)**

## 1. Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting

1. The Co-chairs, Christina Voigt and Haseeb Gohar, opened the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Paris Agreement Implementation and Compliance Committee by welcoming the members and alternate members of the Committee.
2. The members and alternate members of the Committee had agreed to hold the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting in a hybrid format from 18 to 19 April 2023.
3. The meeting was held in Bonn at the headquarters of the secretariat.
4. The secretariat confirmed that, in accordance with paragraph 15 of the modalities and procedures for the effective operation of the Committee as contained in the annex to decision 20/CMA.1, a sufficient number of Committee members were present at the meeting to constitute a quorum.
5. The table below presents the members and alternate members of the Committee. The names of those present at the meeting are in bold.

Group/constituency	Members	Alternate members
African States	<b>Selam Kidane-Abebe</b>	<b>Mominata Compaore</b>
	<b>Happy Khambule</b>	Chokri Mezghani
Asia-Pacific States	<b>Yi Chenxia</b>	<b>Tomonobu Sato</b>
	<b>Haseeb Gohar</b>	<b>Seung Jick Yoo</b>
Eastern European States	<b>Eva Šalplachtová</b>	<b>Grzegorz Grobicki</b>
	Grigory Yulkin	Ivan Narkevitch
Latin American and Caribbean States	<b>José Félix Pinto-Bazurco Barandiarán</b>	Michai Robertson
	<b>Jimena Nieto</b>	<b>Édgar Fernández Fernández</b>
Western European and other States	<b>Jacob Werksman</b>	<b>Johan Pettersson</b>
	<b>Christina Voigt</b>	<b>Andrew Neustaetter</b>
Small island developing States	<b>Diane Tan</b>	<b>Rueanna Haynes</b>
Least developed countries	<b>Ziaul Haque</b>	Eunice Asinguza

## 2. Agenda item 2: Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

6. The Committee adopted the agenda of the meeting, as contained in annex 1 to this report.
7. In accordance with rule 12 of the rules of procedure of the Committee as contained in the annex to decision 24/CMA.4, the meeting was open to Parties and admitted non-Party observers, except for part of agenda item 3, and agenda item 9, as per paragraph 13 of the modalities and procedures of the Committee.

**3. Agenda item 3: Information from the secretariat in relation to the submission of reports and communications from Parties to guide the Committee in its function in accordance with its modalities and procedures and enhancement of knowledge regarding relevant reporting processes under the Paris Agreement**

8. The secretariat presented information to the Committee relating to the communication and maintenance of nationally determined contributions by Parties in the public registry referred to in article 4, paragraph 12, of the Paris Agreement, on the preparations for the biennial transparency reports (BTRs) reviews and on the submissions of mandatory biennial communications of information under article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement submitted via the online portal referred to in decision 12/CMA.1, paragraph 6.
9. The Committee took note of the information provided by the secretariat, commented on the presentations and requested that for future meetings, the secretariat provides information on communication and maintenance of nationally determined contributions by Parties in tabular format, with one row for each Contracting Party of the Paris Agreement and columns displaying, inter alia, date of submission of its nationally determined contributions and their updates.
10. On the basis of this information made available by the secretariat, the Committee found that a Party has not communicated a nationally determined contribution, as per article 4, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement and taking into account paragraph 22 of decision 1/CP.21 and decided to initiate a consideration of issues pursuant to rule 18.2 (a) of its rules of procedure. The Committee will proceed to notify the Party concerned in accordance with rule 20 of its rules of procedure.
11. On the basis of the information made available by the secretariat, the Committee found that a Party has not submitted a mandatory biennial communication under article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement, and decided to initiate a consideration of issues in accordance with rule 18.2 (d) of its rules of procedure. The Committee will proceed to notify the Party concerned in accordance with rule 20 of its rules of procedure. Although members and alternate members expressed different views on the term “developed country Parties”, under article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement, the Committee reached consensus that initiation of a consideration of issues with respect to that Party was appropriate.
12. Following the notification of the Parties concerned, as referred to in paragraphs 10 and 11 above, the Committee will provide an update on the status of its consideration of each issue, including referencing the Parties concerned, and information on the responses of the Parties, as part of its annual report to the CMA.
13. The committee recognized that mandatory biennial communications of information under article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement were submitted via the online portal referred to in decision 12/CMA.1, paragraph 6, by three Parties, after the deadline established in paragraph 12 of decision 14/CMA.3.

**4. Agenda item 4: Draft 2023-2024 Workplan of the Committee**

14. The Committee discussed its draft Workplan for the 2023-2024 biennium (document PAICC/2023/M9/3) and adopted it as contained in annex 2 to this report.

**5. Agenda item 5: Dates and duration of the tenth meeting of the Committee**

15. The Committee agreed to convene its 10<sup>th</sup> meeting on 11 and 12 September 2023.
16. The Committee requested the secretariat to start planning the 10<sup>th</sup> formal meeting as an in-person/hybrid meeting and recognized the need to ensure the inclusive participation of all members and alternate members in its meetings.

**6. Agenda item 6: Consideration of Action for Climate Empowerment (ACE) and Youth matters**

17. The Committee took note of a presentation made by the Action for Climate Empowerment (ACE) Unit of the secretariat, and considered how it could further the goal of ACE through education, training and public awareness, public participation, public access to information, and international cooperation in its work programme.
18. The Committee agreed to continue discussions on the matter to identify possible ways to mainstream gender issues and enhance the participation of observers in its work.

**7. Agenda item 7: Budgetary and financial matters**

19. The Committee took note of an update on the budgetary and financial matters for the current biennium.

**8. Agenda item 8: Other matters**

20. No other matters were raised

**9. Agenda item 9: Adoption of the report on the 9th meeting of the Committee**

21. The Committee adopted this report on 19 April 2023.

**10. Agenda item 10: Closure of the meeting**

22. After thanking the members and alternate members of the Committee for their participation and the secretariat for its support, the Co-Chairs closed the meeting.

## **Annex 1 – Agenda as adopted**

### **Committee to facilitate implementation and promote compliance referred to in Article 15, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement**

#### **Ninth meeting**

**Bonn, 18-19 April 2023 (Hybrid meeting)**

**Document no. PAICC/2023/M9/1**

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
3. Information from the secretariat in relation to the submission of reports and communications from Parties to guide the Committee in its functions in accordance with its rules of procedure and enhancement of knowledge regarding relevant reporting processes under the Paris Agreement
4. Draft 2023-2024 Workplan of the Committee
5. Dates and duration of the tenth meeting of the Committee
6. Consideration of Action for Climate Empowerment (ACE) and Youth matters
7. Budgetary and financial matters
8. Other matters
9. Adoption of the report on the ninth meeting of the Committee
10. Closure of the meeting

## Annex 2 - 2023-2024 Workplan of the Committee to facilitate implementation and promote compliance referred to in Article 15, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement

<i>Activity *</i>	<i>Outcomes/results</i>	<i>Time frame</i>
<b>Modes of Initiation</b>		
<b>1: Considering any submission from Parties with respect to their own implementation of and/or compliance with any provision of the Paris Agreement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decision 20/CMA.1. Annex, paragraphs 20-21</li> <li>Decision 24/CMA.4, Annex, Rule 17</li> </ul>	If any submission, to conduct a preliminary examination, decide whether to initiate a consideration of issues and, if so, to identify the appropriate measures, findings and recommendations  Template for written submissions from Parties with respect to their own implementation of and/or compliance with any provision of the Paris Agreement	2023-2024 PAICC meetings
<b>2: Considering the most up-to-date information from the secretariat on communication and maintenance of nationally determined contributions (NDCs) by Parties in the public registry referred to in Article 4.12 of the Paris Agreement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decision 20/CMA.1. Annex, paragraph 22(a)(i)</li> <li>Decision 24/CMA.4, Annex, Rule 6.2.(g) and Rule 18</li> </ul>	After considering the information provided by the secretariat, decide whether to initiate a consideration of issues and, if so, to identify the appropriate measures, findings and recommendations	2023-2024 PAICC meetings <sup>1</sup>

\* Activities highlighted in grey correspond to those with time frames other than the 2023-2024 biennium and are included for the purposes of providing a comprehensive view of the work of the Committee beyond the 2023-2024 biennium.

<sup>1</sup> On the timeline for submitting nationally determined contributions (NDCs), see:

- decision 1/CP.21, paragraphs 23 and 24.

“23. Requests those Parties whose intended nationally determined contribution pursuant to decision 1/CP.20 contains a time frame up to 2025 to communicate by 2020 a new nationally determined contribution and to do so every five years thereafter pursuant to Article 4, paragraph 9, of the Agreement;

24. Also requests those Parties whose intended nationally determined contribution pursuant to decision 1/CP.20 contains a time frame up to 2030 to communicate or update by 2020 these contributions and to do so every five years thereafter pursuant to Article 4, paragraph 9, of the Agreement;”

- decision 6/CMA.3, paragraph 2.

“2. Encourages Parties to communicate in 2025 a nationally determined contribution with an end date of 2035, in 2030 a nationally determined contribution with an end date of 2040, and so forth every five years thereafter.”

**3: Considering the most up-to-date information from the secretariat on submissions of mandatory reports or communications of information by Parties under:**

- (1) **Article 13, paragraph 7(a), of the Paris Agreement: Communication of the national GHG inventory report**
- (2) **Article 13, paragraph 7(b), of the Paris Agreement: Tracking progress towards NDCs**
- (3) **Article 13, paragraph 9 and Article 9, paragraph 7 of the Paris Agreement: Financial, technology transfer and capacity-building support provided and mobilized**

- Decision 20/CMA.1. Annex, paragraph 22(a)(ii)
- Decision 24/CMA.4, Annex, Rule 6.2. (g) and Rule 18

After considering the information provided by the secretariat, decide whether to initiate a consideration of issues and if so, to identify the appropriate measures, findings and recommendations

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**4: Considering the most up-to-date information from the secretariat on participation by Parties in the facilitative, multilateral consideration of progress (FMCP) under Article 13, paragraph 11 of the Paris Agreement**

- Decision 20/CMA.1. Annex, paragraph 22(a)(iii)
- Decision 24/CMA.4, Annex, Rule 6.2 (g) and Rule 18

After considering the information provided by the secretariat, decide whether to initiate a consideration of issues and, if so, to identify the appropriate measures, findings and recommendations

*The first FMCP will take place in 2026-2027<sup>3</sup>*

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<sup>2</sup> On the timeline for submitting the first biennial transparency report (1BTR), see decision 18/CMA. 1, paragraphs 3-4.

“3. Decides that Parties shall submit their first biennial transparency report and national inventory report, if submitted as a stand-alone report, in accordance with the modalities, procedures and guidelines, at the latest by 31 December 2024;

4. Also decides that the least developed country Parties and small island developing States may submit the information referred to in Article 13, paragraphs 7, 8, 9 and 10, of the Paris Agreement at their discretion;”

<sup>3</sup> On the timeline for conducting the first facilitative, multilateral consideration of progress (1FMCP), see decision 18/CMA. 1, paragraphs 197-198.

“197. A facilitative, multilateral consideration of progress will take place as soon as possible following the publication of biennial transparency report, the secretariat will make arrangements for the Party to participate in a facilitative, multilateral consideration of progress at the next available opportunity. “

“198. If a Party does not submit a biennial transparency report within 12 months of the due date identified in decision 18/CMA.1, the secretariat, in consultation with the Party concerned, will make arrangements for the Party to participate in a facilitative, multilateral consideration of progress at the next available opportunity.”

**5: Considering the most up-to-date information from the secretariat on submissions of mandatory biennial communications of the information under Article 9, paragraph 5 of the Paris Agreement**

- Decision 20/CMA.1, Annex, paragraph 22(a)(iv)
- Decision 24/CMA.4, Annex, Rule 6.2 (g) and Rule 18

After considering the information provided by the secretariat, decide whether to initiate a consideration of issues and, if so, to identify the appropriate measures, findings and recommendations

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**6: Considering the recommendations of the final technical expert review reports (TERs) prepared under Article 13, paragraphs 11-12 of the Paris Agreement and identifying cases of significant and persistent inconsistencies**

- Decision 20/CMA.1, Annex, paragraph 22(b)
- Decision 24/CMA.4, Annex, Rule 19

After considering the TERs recommendations and identifying cases of significant and persistent inconsistencies, with the consent of the Party concerned to engage in a consideration of issues and identify the appropriate measures, findings and recommendations

*TER1 will be conducted in 2025-2026*

**6.1. Considering the need to further develop working arrangements on the facilitative consideration of issues under paragraph 22 (b) of the modalities and procedures, taking into account the information contained in the TERs and the experience gained in identifying cases of significant and persistent inconsistencies**

- Decision 24/CMA.4, Annex, Rule 19.6

Interaction with TERs

2023-2024

**7: Considering systemic issues**

- Decision 20/CMA.1, Annex, paragraphs 32-34
- Decision 24/CMA.4, Annex, Rule 23

Identify the appropriate measures, findings and recommendations

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<sup>4</sup> On the timeline for submitting biennial communications under Article 9.5 of the Paris Agreement, see decision 12/CMA.1, paragraphs 2-5.

“2. Reiterates that developed country Parties shall biennially communicate indicative quantitative and qualitative information related to Article 9, paragraphs 1 and 3, of the Paris Agreement, as applicable, including, as available, projected levels of public financial resources to be provided to developing country Parties, and that other Parties providing resources are encouraged to communicate biennially such information on a voluntary basis;

3. Underlines the importance of Article 9, paragraphs 1 and 3, of the Paris Agreement on this matter;

4. Requests developed country Parties to submit the biennial communications referred to in paragraph 2 above and as specified in the annex starting in 2020;

5. Encourages other Parties providing resources to communicate biennially, as referred to in paragraph 2 above, on a voluntary basis;”



**7.1 The Committee may further develop working arrangements for the consideration of systemic issues based on experience gained in its work**

- Decision 24/CMA.4, Annex, Rule 23.2

**Awareness raising, outreach and educational information sharing - external**

**8: Development of capacity-building and awareness-raising activities**

- Report of the 7<sup>th</sup> PAICC meeting (PAICC/2022/M7/3)

Maintain and update the PAICC webpage on the UNFCCC website and social media accounts 2023-2024

Promote PAICC online capacity-building course by the preparation and dissemination of visualization materials (e.g. e-leaflet, info-graphics, workbook)

Regular updates of the work of the PAICC in the news section of the UNFCCC website

Video explainer on PAICC

Regional workshop(s), events, and webinars.

Engagement with international organizations/initiatives/programmes

**Annual reports to the CMA**

**9: Development of annual reports to the CMA**

- Decision 20/CMA.1. Annex, paragraph 36

Reports to the CMA 2023-2024 PAICC meetings

**PAICC Capacity building activities-internal**

**10: Enhanced PAICC knowledge of linkages with relevant workstreams under the Paris Agreement**

Activities to enhance linkages with relevant workstreams (e.g. enhance transparency framework, mitigation, art. 6.2 reporting, and finance) 2023-2024 PAICC meetings

**Engagement in Paris Agreement processes-possible submissions**

<b>11: Strengthen engagement with relevant bodies or arrangements under or serving the Paris Agreement</b>	Enhanced linkages with the subsidiary bodies (SBs) and the constituted bodies (CBs) under the Paris Agreement on a case-by-case and based on the nature of the submission	2023-2024
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**Action for Climate Empowerment (ACE) and Youth**

<b>12: Strengthen the coordination of work by identifying possible synergies.</b>	Identification of entry points for integrating ACE as well as youth engagement into the Committee’s work	2023-2024 PAICC meetings
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**Modalities and Procedures**

<b>13. Recommendation to the CMA to undertake the first review of the modalities and procedures in 2024, noting that CMA7 was postponed to 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decision 20/CMA.1, paragraph 2</li> </ul>	Annual report to the CMA in 2023
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