



Paris Committee on Capacity-building

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Fifth meeting

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Background note on the synthesis report by the Paris Committee on Capacity-building on the information identified in paragraph 36 of decision 19/CMA.1

Recommended actions by the Paris Committee on Capacity-building

The Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB) will be invited, at its 5th meeting, to consider the information included in this document and agree on next steps, as appropriate.

I. Background

1. As per Article 14, paragraph 1, of the Paris Agreement, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) shall periodically take stock of the implementation of the Paris Agreement to assess the collective progress towards achieving the purpose of the Agreement and its long-term goals, in a comprehensive and facilitative manner, considering mitigation, adaptation and the means of implementation and support, and in the light of equity and the best available science.
2. CMA 1 decided that the global stocktake will consist of the following components:¹
 - (a) **Information collection and preparation**, focusing on gathering, compiling and synthesizing information and preparing for conducting the technical assessment (CMA 2021 to June 2023);
 - (b) **Technical assessment**, focusing on taking stock of the implementation of the Paris Agreement to assess the collective progress towards achieving the purpose and long-term goals of the Paris Agreement, as well as opportunities for enhanced action and support to achieve its purpose and goals (June 2022 to June 2023);
 - (c) **Consideration of outputs**, focusing on discussing the implications of the findings of the technical assessment with a view to achieving the outcome of the global stocktake of informing Parties in updating and enhancing, in a nationally determined manner, their actions and support, in accordance with relevant provisions of the Paris Agreement, as well as in enhancing international cooperation for climate action (CMA 2023).
3. The CMA requested the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies to develop guiding questions for all components of the global stocktake, including specific thematic and cross-cutting questions, one session of the subsidiary bodies prior to the relevant activities under the global stocktake being carried out.²
4. As part of the information collection and preparation component, CMA 1 requested or invited the preparation of 13 synthesis reports³ by February–March 2022, three months prior to the commencement of the technical assessment. The scope of and sources of input for the reports are shown in the table below. In line with the area of expertise of the PCCB, the report the PCCB is invited to prepare is expected to focus on information noted in decision 19/CMA.1, para. 36 (d) and (f).

¹ Decision 19/CMA.1, para. 3.

² Decision 19/CMA.1, para. 7.

³ Decision 19/CMA.1, paras. 23–24.

Synthesis reports to be prepared for the information collection and preparation component of the global stocktake

	<i>Constituted bodies and forums and other institutional arrangements, including the PCCB, with the assistance of the secretariat^{1,2}</i>	<i>Secretariat, under the guidance of the co-facilitators of the technical dialogue</i>			
Mandate	Decision 19/CMA.1, paragraph 24	Decision 19/CMA.1, paragraph 23(a)	Decisions 19/CMA.1, paragraph 23(b), and 11/CMA.1, paragraphs 9 and 31	Decision 19/CMA.1, paragraph 23(c)	Decision 19/CMA.1, paragraph 23(d)
Scope	Synthesis reports on the information identified in decision 19/CMA.1, paragraph 36, in their areas of expertise	A synthesis report on the information identified in decision 19/CMA.1, paragraph 36(a), taking into account previous experience in preparing such reports	A synthesis report on the state of adaptation efforts, experience and priorities, summarizing the most recent information identified in decision 19/CMA.1, paragraph 36(c) Information on the adaptation efforts of developing country Parties An assessment of the support needs for adaptation of developing country Parties	A synthesis report on the overall effect of nationally determined contributions (NDCs) communicated by Parties, summarizing the most recent information identified in decision 19/CMA.1, paragraph 36(b)	A synthesis report on the information identified in decision 19/CMA.1, paragraph 36(d)
Information identified in decision 19/CMA.1, and other sources of input	Paragraph 36 (a) The state of greenhouse gas emissions by sources and removals by sinks and mitigation efforts undertaken by Parties, including the information referred to in Article 13, paragraph 7(a), and Article 4, paragraphs 7, 15 and 19, of the Paris Agreement (b) The overall effect of Parties' NDCs and overall progress made by Parties towards the implementation of	Paragraph 36 (a) The state of greenhouse gas emissions by sources and removals by sinks and mitigation efforts undertaken by Parties,	Paragraph 36 (c) The state of adaptation efforts, support, experience and priorities, including the information referred to in Article 7, paragraphs 2,	Paragraph 36 (b) The overall effect of Parties' NDCs and overall progress made by Parties towards the implementation of their NDCs, including the	Paragraph 36 (d) The finance flows, including the information referred to in Article 2, paragraph 1(c), and means of

	<p>their NDCs, including the information referred to in Article 13, paragraph 7(b), of the Paris Agreement</p> <p>(c) The state of adaptation efforts, support, experience and priorities, including the information referred to in Article 7, paragraphs 2, 10, 11 and 14, of the Paris Agreement, and the reports referred to in Article 13, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement</p> <p>(d) The finance flows, including the information referred to in Article 2, paragraph 1(c), and means of implementation and support and mobilization and provision of support, including the information referred to in Article 9, paragraphs 4 and 6, Article 10, paragraph 6, Article 11, paragraph 3, and Article 13, in particular paragraphs 9–10, of the Paris Agreement. This should include information from the latest biennial assessment and overview of climate finance flows of the Standing Committee on Finance</p> <p>(e) Efforts to enhance understanding, action and support, on a cooperative and facilitative basis, related to averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change</p> <p>(f) Barriers and challenges, including finance, technology and capacity-building gaps, faced by developing countries</p> <p>(g) Good practices, experience and potential opportunities to enhance international cooperation on mitigation and adaptation and to increase support under Article 13, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement</p> <p>(h) Fairness considerations, including equity, as communicated by Parties in their NDCs</p>	<p>including the information referred to in Article 13, paragraph 7(a), and Article 4, paragraphs 7, 15 and 19, of the Paris Agreement</p>	<p>10, 11 and 14, of the Paris Agreement, and the reports referred to in Article 13, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement</p> <p>The most recent documents that may contain adaptation information, which may include adaptation communications, national adaptation plans, national communications, NDCs, other relevant reports prepared under the enhanced transparency framework, reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and other relevant scientific bodies as well as the report referred to in decision 4/CP.24, paragraph 13</p>	<p>information referred to in Article 13, paragraph 7(b), of the Paris Agreement</p>	<p>implementation and support and mobilization and provision of support, including the information referred to in Article 9, paragraphs 4 and 6, Article 10, paragraph 6, Article 11, paragraph 3, and Article 13, in particular paragraphs 9–10, of the Paris Agreement</p> <p>This should include information from the latest biennial assessment and overview of climate finance flows of the Standing Committee on Finance</p>
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¹ Adaptation Committee, the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, the Technology Executive Committee, the Standing Committee on Finance, the Paris Committee on Capacity-building, the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts, the Consultative Group of Experts, the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures, and the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform Facilitative Working Group.

² The text in bold relates the scope of the synthesis reports prepared by constituted bodies working on means of implementation and in of the MOI focused synthesis report to be prepared by the secretariat respectively.

5. The PCCB has the opportunity to organize a webinar prior to the start of the technical assessment to clarify the assumptions and methodology used in preparing its report⁴ and to present its findings at the technical dialogue and respond to any questions that may arise.⁵
6. In addition to the synthesis reports, sources of input to the global stocktake include:
- (a) Reports and communications from Parties, in particular those submitted under the Paris Agreement and the Convention;
 - (b) The latest reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change;
 - (c) Reports of the subsidiary bodies;
 - (d) Reports of constituted bodies, forums and other institutional arrangements under or serving the Paris Agreement and/or the Convention;
 - (e) Relevant reports of United Nations agencies and other international organizations, which should be supportive of the UNFCCC process;
 - (f) Voluntary submissions from Parties, including inputs to inform equity considerations under the global stocktake;
 - (g) Relevant reports from regional groups and institutions;
 - (h) Submissions from non-Party stakeholders and observer organizations.

II. Next steps

7. The PCCB may wish to:
- (a) Consider the scope of its synthesis report;
 - (b) Consider liaising with the other constituted bodies to gather information on what reports they are planning to produce in response to the mandate;
 - (c) Request the secretariat to prepare, under the guidance of the PCCB, an annotated outline of the synthesis report by 15 October 2021 for intersessional consideration with a view to finalizing the report by February 2022.

⁴ See decision 19/CMA.1, para. 21.

⁵ See decision 19/CMA.1, para. 30.