

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

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Report of the first meeting of the committee referred to in Article 15, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement

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1. Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting

1.1. Attendance and quorum

1. The members and alternate members of the committee to facilitate implementation of and promote compliance with the Paris Agreement referred to in Article 15, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement agreed to meet virtually for their first meeting, held from 2 to 5 June 2020.

2. The meeting, held virtually, was deemed to have been held in Bonn, at the headquarters of the secretariat.

3. The Secretary to the committee opened the virtual meeting, and confirmed that, in accordance with paragraph 15 of the annex to decision 20/CMA.1 containing the modalities and procedures for the effective operation of the committee referred to in Article 15, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement, sufficient members of the committee were present in the virtual meeting to constitute a quorum.

4. Table 1 presents members and alternate members of the committee. The names of those present at the meeting are in bold.

Group/Constituency	Members	Alternate members
Africa	Selam Kidane-Abebe ^b	Mominata Campaore ^b
Africa	Cornelius Scholtz ^a	Chokri Mezghani ^a
Asia Pacific	Shang Baoxi ^b	Tomonobu Sato ^b
Asia Pacific	Haseeb Gohar ^a	Seung Jick Yoo ^a
EEG	Jana Sobotova ^a	Grzegorz Grobicki ^a
EEG	Iryna Stavchuk⁵	Ivan Narkevitch ^b
GRULAC	Nomination pending ^b	Michai Robertson ^ь
GRULAC	Nomination pending ^a	Nomination pending ^a
WEOG	Jacob Werksman ^b	Johan Lundberg ^b
WEOG	Christina Voigt ^a	Julia Gardiner ^a
SIDS	Rueanna Haynes ^ь	Danielle Yeow ^b
LDC	Ziaul Haque ^a	Edith Kateme-Kasajja ^a

Table 1. Attendance

^a Term of 2 years.

^b Term of 3 years.

1.2. Welcome by the Executive Secretary

5. The Executive Secretary welcomed the 1st meeting of the committee and congratulated its members and alternate members for their election and the holding of their 1st meeting.

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2. Agenda item 2: Organizational matters

2.1. Agenda item 2(a): Adoption of the agenda

6. The committee adopted the short version of the agenda for a virtual meeting, as contained in the annex.¹

3. Agenda item 3: Co-Chairs election

7. The committee elected by consensus Christina Voigt and Haseeb Gohar to be the first Co-Chairs of the committee and to serve until the end of their respective terms.

4. Agenda item 4: Round of introduction of members and alternate members

8. The members and alternate members of the committee introduced themselves and identified their experience and professional background.

5. Agenda item 5: Presentations by the secretariat on the mandate of the committee and the elements to be covered in the draft rules of procedure for the proper and effective functioning of the committee as per paragraphs 17 and 18 of the annex to decision 20/CMA.1 (modalities and procedures)

9. The Co-Chairs delivered presentations on the background to the committee and on the content of the modalities and procedures, in particular section II of the annex to decision 20/CMA.1. The committee discussed its understanding of the provisions therein.

6. Agenda item 6: Committee discussion on the way forward with regard to the development of the draft rules of procedure for the committee and other substantive arrangements

10. The committee discussed the work it would need to do before the third session of the Conference of the Parties serving at the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement to develop the draft rules of procedure of the committee and in relation to other substantive arrangements. The committee worked on draft first interim organizational arrangements to guide its work before it develops draft rules of procedure. The committee discussed the short-term and longer-term aspects of its work that are needed to facilitate implementation of and promote compliance with the Paris Agreement.

11. The committee agreed to continue its work, between the 1st and 2nd meeting, on the draft first interim organizational arrangements for the committee, with the aim of adopting the arrangements at the start of its 2nd meeting.

¹ The short version of the agenda for a virtual meeting contained an annex with the original provisional agenda and provisional annotated agenda. These are not reproduced in this report.

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7. Agenda item 7: Arrangements for the next meeting(s) of the committee

12. The committee agreed to convene its 2nd meeting in Bonn the week after the fiftysecond session of the subsidiary bodies (October 2020), to the extent possible, and requested the secretariat to start planning for that meeting as an in-person meeting. The committee recognized the evolving global situation in relation to travel restrictions resulting from the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic and also requested the secretariat be ready to hold the 2nd meeting virtually in October 2020 (exact dates to be confirmed).

7.1. Agenda item 7(a): Discussions on inter-meeting work by the committee

7.2. Agenda item 7(b): Development by Co-Chairs of a programme of work to progress work until the next meeting

13. Items 7(a) and 7(b) were taken up together.

14. In order to advance work between the 1st and 2nd meetings, the committee agreed to meet informally and virtually before the 2nd meeting to discuss which substantive elements should be worked on, to serve as informal inputs to the 2nd meeting.

8. Agenda item 8: Other matters

15. No other matters were raised by members or alternate members.

9. Agenda item 9: Preparation of the report and closure of the meeting

16. The committee adopted this report on 5 June 2020 and is deemed to have adopted it in Bonn.

17. The committee thanked the secretariat for the excellent support prior to and during the 1st meeting, in particular given the budgetary and staffing constraints faced by the secretariat in relation to its work for this committee.

18. After thanking the members and alternate members of the committee for their participation, and the secretariat for its assistance, the Co-Chairs closed the meeting.

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Annex 1. Agenda for the first meeting

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First Meeting

Bonn, 2 – 4 June 2020 (virtual meeting)

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The first meeting of the Committee was scheduled to take place in Bonn from 16 to 18 March 2020. In light of the evolving situation regarding the Covid-19 pandemic, on the recommendation of the United Nations Secretary General to "balance the UN's critical work and public health concerns", the members of the Committee agreed to postpone the meeting and hold it virtually. The virtual meeting is scheduled from 2 to 4 June 2020. The agenda of the meeting was revised to accommodate a virtual meeting taking place across three days, for two to three hours per day.

Provisional short version of agenda for virtual meeting

Provisional agenda

- 1. Opening of the meeting
- 2. Organizational matters
 - (a) Adoption of the agenda
- 3. Co-Chairs election
- 4. Round of introduction of Members and Alternate Members

5. Presentations by the secretariat on the mandate of the Committee and the elements to be covered in the draft rules of procedure for the proper and effective functioning of the Committee as per paragraphs 17 and 18 of the Annex to decision 20/CMA.1 (the Modalities and Procedures).

6. Committee discussion on the way forward with regard to the development of the draft rules of procedure for the Committee and other substantive arrangements.

- 7. Arrangements for the next meeting(s) of the Committee
 - (a) Discussions on inter-meeting work by the Committee

(b) Development by co-chairs of a programme of work to progress work until the next meeting

8. Other matters

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9. Preparation of the report and closure of the meeting.