Draft conclusions proposed by the Chairs

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) and the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) continued their joint work on addressing issues related to agriculture.\(^1\)

2. The SBI and the SBSTA welcomed the report on the first Koronivia road map in-session workshop, on topic 2(a) (modalities for implementation of the outcomes of the five in-session workshops on issues related to agriculture and other future topics that may arise from this work), which was held in conjunction with SB 49. The SBSTA and the SBI considered the workshop report and agreed to:

   (a) Recognize that information provided during the workshop and in the workshop report\(^2\) and other information provide a mapping of activities and mandates of constituted bodies;

   (b) Encourage the continued involvement of constituted bodies and financing entities in the Koronivia joint work on agriculture (KJWA), highlighting the potential of creating interlinkages that lead to enhanced action and improvements in implementation;

   (c) Recognize that some modalities for implementation already exist and invite Parties to scale up implementation;

   (d) Recognize the importance of the continued involvement of scientific and technical knowledge in transforming the agriculture sector, enabling conditions, the crucial role of farmers, youth, local communities and indigenous peoples, including gender considerations, and of meeting the needs of farmers and the food systems;

   (e) Welcome the presentation made by the Green Climate Fund (GCF) on its work on issues relating to agriculture, and welcome the subsequent clarification from the secretariat on the process for Parties to submit their views to the Standing Committee on Finance, in line with existing procedures,\(^3\) on elements to be taken into account in developing guidance to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism.

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\(^1\) In line with decision 4/CP.23, para. 1.
\(^2\) FCCC/SB/2019/INF.1.
\(^3\) Decision 5/CP.24, paras. 9–10, and decision 2/CP.17, para. 121(c).
3. The SBI and the SBSTA also welcomed the two Koronivia road map workshops held at these sessions, on topic 2(b) (methods and approaches for assessing adaptation, adaptation co-benefits and resilience) and 2(c) (improved soil carbon, soil health and soil fertility under grassland and cropland as well as integrated systems, including water management), and looked forward to considering the reports on the workshops at SB 51 (December 2019). They further welcomed the submissions from Parties and observers that served as input to the workshops.\(^4\)

4. The SBI and the SBSTA welcomed the participation in the workshops of observers and representatives of the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism (Global Environment Facility (GEF) and GCF), the Adaptation Fund, the GEF-administered Least Developed Countries Fund and Special Climate Change Fund, and the constituted bodies under the Convention. They noted with appreciation the work already undertaken on issues related to agriculture by those entities, and recalled inviting them to contribute to the work and participate in the workshops set out in the Koronivia road map.\(^5\)

5. The SBI and the SBSTA requested the secretariat to organize, in addition to the workshops mandated in the Koronivia road map and subject to the availability of supplementary funds, an intersessional workshop between SB 51 and 52 to contribute to delivering the outcomes of the KJWA, taking into consideration the vulnerabilities of agriculture to climate change and approaches to addressing food security, and to prepare a report on the workshop for consideration at SB 52. They took note of the importance of issues, including but not limited to farmers, gender, youth, and local communities and indigenous peoples. They welcomed with appreciation the offer of the Government of New Zealand to host the workshop. They requested the secretariat to take into account the following elements when organizing the workshop:

   (a) Sustainable land and water management, including integrated watershed management strategies, to ensure food security;

   (b) Strategies and modalities to scale up implementation of best practices, innovations and technologies that increase resilience and sustainable production in agricultural systems according to national circumstances.

6. The SBI and the SBSTA recalled their invitation\(^6\) to Parties and observers to submit via the submission portal by 30 September 2019 their views on topic 2(d) of the Koronivia road map (improved nutrient use and manure management towards sustainable and resilient agricultural systems), on which a workshop will be held in conjunction with SB 51.

7. The SBI and the SBSTA agreed to continue consideration of this matter at SB 51.

8. The SBI and the SBSTA took note of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraph 5 above. They requested that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

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\(^4\) Available at https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx.
