

## **Revised draft elements of the modalities, work programme and functions of the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures under the Paris Agreement**

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### **I. Preamble<sup>1</sup>**

#### **Option 1**

*Pp1* Recalling the objective of the Convention set out in its Article 2 and the aim of the Paris Agreement set out in its Article 2 and Article 4.1,

*Pp2* Also recalling decisions 5/CP.7, 1/CP.10, 1/CP.13, 1/CP.16, 2/CP.17, 8/CP.17, 1/CP.18 and 31/CMP.1; relevant principles and provisions set out in Article 3, paragraphs 1, 4 and 5, and Article 4, paragraphs 1(g) and (h), 3, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10, of the Convention; and Article 2, paragraph 3, and Article 3, paragraph 14, of the Kyoto Protocol,

*Pp3* Further recalling the purpose of the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures set out in decision 1/CP.21, paragraphs 33 and 34, and decision 11/CP.21,

*Pp4* Recalling Article 4, paragraph 15, of the Paris Agreement, which states that Parties shall take into consideration in the implementation of the Agreement the concerns of Parties with economies most affected by the impacts of response measures, particularly developing country Parties,

*Pp5* Acknowledging that the response measures at the origin of impact could be implemented by developed or developing countries, that the response measures could affect both developed and developing countries and that response the measures could have both domestic and cross-border impacts,

{end of option 1}

#### **Option 2**

{no preamble section}

{end of option 2}

### **II. Principles**

#### **Option 1**

1. The following cross-cutting and overarching considerations are to guide the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures (hereinafter referred to as the forum) under the Paris Agreement with its work to be:

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<sup>1</sup> Headings and subheadings used herein are provisional and intended to orientate readers.

- (a) Action oriented – moving from technical discussion towards actions with concrete outcomes;
- (b) Permanent – providing institutional arrangements to address relevant policy and technical issues;
- (c) Facilitative – assisting Parties in addressing the impacts of the implementation of response measures;
- (d) Inclusive – allowing for the participation of Parties, observers and external experts;
- (e) Ensuring continuity –by building on lessons learned from the improved forum;
- (f) Coherent – minimizing overlaps with existing work in relevant intergovernmental and international organizations, including institutional arrangements under the Convention;
- (g) Promoting cooperation among Parties and dialogue among stakeholders;
- (h) Transparent – openness of meeting and documents;
- (i) Facilitating mitigation measures and increasing mitigation ambition towards the aim under Article 4, paragraph 1, of the Paris Agreement;
- (j) Guided by the principle of equity and common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities, in the light of different national circumstances,
- (k) Taking into account the rights of indigenous peoples, local communities, migrants, persons with disabilities and youth, as well as health, gender equality, empowerment of women and intergenerational equity.

*{end of option 1}*

#### **Option2**

*{no principles section}*

*{end of option 2}*

### **III. Functions**

#### **Option 1**

2. The functions of the forum are as follows:

- (a) Serving as an enabler for action in the context of implementing domestic mitigation actions;
- (b) Providing a platform for Parties to consult and share, in an interactive manner, lessons learned, information, experience, case studies, best practices and views;
- (c) Showcasing national approaches to implementing climate action and sustainable development;
- (d) Monitoring the implementation of measures to address adverse impacts of response measures;
- (e) Implementing measures to address adverse impacts of response measures;
- (f) Building synergies, linkages and cooperation with mechanisms and organizations both under and outside the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement, international organizations, multinational organizations and external experts;
- (g) Informing the global stocktake;
- (h) Recommending specific actions to the Conference of the Parties, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and/or the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol;
- (i) Promoting understanding of the domestic and cross-border impact of the implementation of response measures on a sustainable transition in developing country Parties;

(j) Raising awareness and enhancing the capacity of Parties to assess, address, manage, monitor and report on the impacts of the implementation of response measures;

(k) Identifying, developing and promoting the methodologies, frameworks and tools needed to assess and address the impacts of the implementation of response measures.

*{end of option 1}*

**Option 2**

3. The functions of the forum are to address the effects of the implementation of response measures under the Paris Agreement by enhancing cooperation among Parties on understanding the impacts of mitigation actions under the Paris Agreement and the exchange of information, experience and best practices among Parties to raise their resilience to such impacts, in accordance with decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 34.

*{end of option 2}*

**Option 3**

4. The functions of the forum to include the provisions stated in decision 11/CP.21 and as elaborated in decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 34.

*{end of option 3}*

## **IV. Work programme**

5. The work programme to be flexible and take a dynamic approach;

6. In the work programme, the forum will recognize the different needs, stages of economic development and levels of current and potential economic diversification of Parties;

**Option 1**

7. The work programme to address the needs of all Parties, in particular developing country Parties, and comprise the following areas of work:

(a) Economic diversification and transformation;

(b) Just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs.

*{end of option 1}*

**Option 2**

8. The work programme to address the needs of all Parties, in particular developing country Parties, and to comprise the following areas of work:

(a) Economic diversification and transformation;

(b) Just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs;

(c) International trade and investment, value chain integration, inclusive growth and poverty reduction;

(d) Study or assessment of the impacts of implementation of response measures, taking into consideration all relevant policy issues of concern;

(e) Any other areas identified in line with the functions above

*{end of option 2}*

**Option 3**

9. The work programme to address the needs of all Parties, in particular developing country Parties, and to comprise the following areas of work:

(a) Economic diversification and transformation;

(b) Just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs;

(c) Study or assessments of the impacts, taking into consideration all relevant policy issues of concern;

- (d) Any other areas identified in line with the functions above

*{end of option 3}*

10. The workplan of activities under the work programme include *{further development is required. The annex provides the list included in the SB Chairs'informal document of 16 March 2018 and the submission by Parties on 6 May 2018}*.

## V. Modalities

11. The forum to be inclusive, interactive and transparent.

12. Governance

### Option 1 (Governance)

(a) The forum to be convened under a joint agenda item of the SBI and the SBSTA and report to the COP, the CMP and the CMA;

(b) The forum to operate in accordance with the procedures applicable to a contact group under the SBI and the SBSTA;

*Frequency of meetings*

(c) The forum to meet

#### Option 1 (frequency of meetings)

in conjunction with the sessions of the SBI and the SBSTA;

#### Option 2 (frequency of meetings)

in conjunction with the sessions of the SBI and the SBSTA, with additional meetings taking place between sessions, as appropriate;

*TEG*

(d) The forum to constitute

#### Option 1 (TEG)

a TEG on an ad hoc basis;

#### Option 2 (TEG)

a permanent TEG;

#### Option 3 (TEG)

more than one TEG operating in parallel on an ad hoc basis, as considered necessary;

#### Option 4 (TEG)

no TEG;

(e) The forum will determine five-year workplans with a review every three years, in line with its work programme and functions.

*{end of option 1 Governance}*

### Option 2 (Governance)

(a) to operate as a permanent executive committee on response measures under the CMA with a negotiating arm (forum under the Paris Agreement) and a permanent technical arm (group of experts);

(b) The committee and its arms to meet

*Frequency of meetings*

#### Option 1 (frequency of meetings)

in conjunction with the sessions of the SBI and the SBSTA;

#### Option 2 (frequency of meetings)

in conjunction with the sessions of the SBI and the SBSTA, with additional meetings taking place between sessions, as appropriate;

(c) The forum will determine five-year workplans with a review every three years, in line with its work programme and functions.

*{End of option 2 Governance}*

13. The modalities to be used by the forum to implement its work programme to include:

**Option 1**

- (a) Technical studies and reports;
- (b) Sharing of experience, best practices and views;
- (c) Reviews;
- (d) Technical expert groups;
- (e) Guidelines;
- (f) Case studies, concrete examples and best practices;
- (g) Pilot projects;
- (h) Intersessional workshops;
- (i) Joint work with external organizations;
- (j) Regional training workshops;
- (k) In-session workshops;
- (l) External input.

*{end of option 1}*

**Option 2**

*{option 1 without reference to TEGs (i.e. without item (d) above)}*

*{end of option 2}*

14. The secretariat is requested to support the work of the forum, subject to the availability of financial resources.

## Annex

1. The activities for workplan below comes from two sources: G77 and China submission on 6 May 2018 and SB Chairs' informal document of 16 March 2018

### **G77 and China submission**

- (a) Carrying out systematic and comprehensive assessments or analysis to understand cross-border impacts of response measures on developing countries and to identify types of measure of significance requiring urgent action to address, especially ways to minimize the adverse impacts of response measures.
- (b) Understanding how the impact of response measures relates to sustainable transition to a low-emission society;
- (c) Conducting qualitative assessments and analysis of adverse impacts of response measures, including unilateral ones, in terms of their consequences for, inter alia, trade, investment, employment, income, economic growth rates and living standards in developing countries, and exploring ways to minimize the adverse impacts of response measures;
- (d) Developing methodologies and modelling tools (computable general equilibrium or hybrid) for assessing and analysing adverse impacts of response measures, including unilateral measures, in terms of their consequences for, inter alia, trade, investment, employment, income, economic growth rates and living standards in developing countries
- (e) Developing sector-specific case studies aimed at sharing success stories and lessons learned and addressing the barriers to implementing diversification strategies for sectors and industries vulnerable to or affected by response measures;
- (f) Capacity-building through regional training programmes to enable countries to use existing methodologies and tools and/or the tools developed by the forum, including modelling tools;
- (g) Capacity-building to assist developing country Parties in addressing the negative economic and social consequences of response measures
- (h) Capacity-building to assist developing country Parties in maximizing the positive impacts of response measures
- (i) Developing specific guidelines for developed countries on how to report on actions and impacts related to the implementation of response measures in such a way as to promote actions to minimize adverse impacts
- (j) Examining and reviewing the impacts of response measures comparatively (domestic versus cross-border impacts);
- (k) Developing guidelines for monitoring and reporting impacts and measures undertaken to address or minimize negative impacts of the implementation of response measures

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- (a) Building awareness, capacity and resilience;
- (b) Promoting and developing guidelines, inventories, methodologies and tools;
- (c) Developing case studies;
- (d) Collaborating and coordinating with other organizations;
- (e) Reporting and providing information on response measures;
- (f) Promoting collaboration, coordination and dialogue;
- (g) Building (through financial, technology and capacity-building support) economic and social resilience and supporting the sustainable development of developing countries in the face of negative impacts of response measures;
- (h) Exchanging experience, information and assessments on national, regional and international impacts (cross-border impacts);

- (i) Enhancing information-sharing on the impacts of the implementation of response measures.

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