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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

Recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation

The Subsidiary Body for Implementation, having concluded its consideration of the review of the Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan on the basis of all submissions received and reports produced thereunder, including the informal note prepared by the co-facilitators of the informal consultations during the fiftieth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation,¹ recommended the following draft decision for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-fifth session:

Draft decision -/CP.25

Enhanced Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 36/CP.7, 1/CP.16, 23/CP.18, 18/CP.20, 1/CP.21, 21/CP.22 and 3/CP.23, the Paris Agreement and the Katowice climate package,

Acknowledging the continuing need for gender mainstreaming through all relevant targets and goals in activities under the Convention as an important contribution to increasing their effectiveness, fairness and sustainability,

Also acknowledging the important role of the Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan in advancing gender equality and women's empowerment in the UNFCCC process, demonstrated by the review by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation,

Noting with appreciation the contributions received from Parties and observers in support of the gender mainstreaming work undertaken to date,

Recognizing with concern that climate change impacts on women and men can often differ owing to historical and current gender inequalities and multidimensional factors and can be more pronounced in developing countries and for local communities and indigenous peoples,

[*Recalling* that Parties should, when taking action to address climate change, respect, promote and consider their respective obligations on human rights as well as gender equality]

[*Recognizing* that climate change is common concern of humankind, Parties should, when taking action to address climate change, respect, promote and consider their respective obligations on the gender equality, empowerment of women and intergenerational equity as well as development in light of their respective national circumstances and socio-economic capabilities]

[*Taking into account* the imperative of a just transition of the workforce when implementing the gender action plan,]

1. *Welcomes* the report on the implementation of the Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan,² and *recognizes* the action taken by Parties, constituted bodies, the secretariat and observers to implement them;

¹ Available at https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/SBI50.IN_i16_1.pdf.

² FCCC/SBI/2019/15 and Add.1.

2. *Takes note of* the report on the gender composition of Party delegations and UNFCCC constituted bodies,³ which highlights the persistent lack of progress in and the urgent need for improving the representation of women in Party delegations and constituted bodies;

3. *Also takes note of* the report on progress in integrating a gender perspective in constituted body processes,⁴ which indicates that an increasing number of constituted bodies are reporting on gender, and *encourages* constituted bodies to continue strengthening their efforts in this area;

[3bis [Urges] [Invites] Parties to enhance their efforts to advance the implementation of the decisions referred to in the preamble;]

4. *Adopts* the enhanced five-year Lima work programme on gender and the gender action plan contained in the annex;

5. *[Acknowledges* that capacity-building, knowledge management and the sharing of experience are essential to supporting relevant actors in designing and implementing gender-responsive climate action and for increasing the effectiveness and scaling up of these measures;

6. *Recognizes* the full, meaningful and equal participation and leadership of women in all aspects of the UNFCCC process and in national- and local-level climate policy and action is vital for achieving long-term climate goals;

7. *Acknowledges* that coherence with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and within national implementation will ensure the efficiency and effectiveness of efforts to integrate gender considerations into climate action;

8. *Notes* that gender-responsive implementation and means of implementation of climate policy and action can enable Parties to accelerate just transition and raise ambition;]

9. *Decides* to undertake a review of the enhanced Lima work programme and its gender action plan at the sixty-third session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (2025) and conduct an intermediate review of the progress of implementation of the activities contained in the gender action plan at the fifty-sixth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (June 2022) to evaluate [progress][their effectiveness, identify any emerging gaps and needs, and inform decisions on improving the effectiveness of the gender action plan, as appropriate];

10. *Encourages* Parties [to continue] to nominate and support national gender and climate change focal points [for climate negotiations, implementation and monitoring];

11. *Requests* all UNFCCC constituted bodies to continue to include in their regular reports information on progress towards integrating a gender perspective into their processes;

12. *[Invites* Parties to submit information on efforts and steps taken to implement the enhanced Lima work programme and its gender action plan in their national reporting [~~under the UNFCCC process, as applicable—including as appropriate, in their adaptation communications, national communications and nationally determined contributions, and to share their experience and best practices to inform the reviews referred to in paragraph 6 above;~~]

13. *[Also] Invites* relevant public and private entities to increase the gender-responsiveness of climate finance, including by [ensuring the enhancement of][enhancing][non-discriminatory][inclusive] access thereto and improving the monitoring and evaluation of its impact on women's lives;

14. *Requests* the secretariat to continue to:

(a) Maintain the position of senior gender focal point to retain relevant expertise and support and monitor the implementation of the enhanced Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan;

³ FCCC/CP/2019/9.

⁴ FCCC/CP/2019/8.

(b) Prepare an annual gender composition report and a biennial synthesis report on progress in integrating a gender perspective into constituted body processes;

(c) Provide capacity-building support to constituted bodies and secretariat staff in integrating a gender perspective into their respective areas of work in collaboration with relevant organizations, as appropriate;

(d) [Facilitate ~~the implementation of the enhanced Lima work programme and its gender action plan~~ coordination with other United Nations entities, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations when supporting the implementation of the enhanced Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan];

(e) Facilitate support for building and strengthening the skills and capacities of national gender and climate change focal points;

(f) Enhance communication and information-sharing through existing UNFCCC web-based resources and communication activities;

(g) Participate in the United Nations System-Wide Action Plan on Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women to strengthen the integration of gender considerations within the organization and work of the secretariat;

15. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraph 11 above and activities ~~x-x~~ in the annex;

16. *Requests* that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

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Annex

Gender action plan

1. The enhanced gender action plan (GAP) sets out objectives and activities under five priority areas that aim to advance knowledge and understanding of gender-responsive climate action and its coherent mainstreaming in the implementation of the UNFCCC and the work of Parties, the secretariat, United Nations entities and all stakeholders at all levels, as well as women's full, equal and meaningful participation in the UNFCCC process.

Priority areas

2. The GAP sets out, in five priority areas, the activities that will drive the achievement of its objectives. The objectives of each priority area follow in paragraphs 3 to 8 below.

A. Capacity-building, knowledge management and communication

3. To enhance the systematic integration of gender considerations into climate policy and action and their application of such understanding and expertise to the actions called for under the Lima work programme and its gender action plan. Facilitate outreach, knowledge-sharing and the communication of activities undertaken to enhance gender-responsive climate action and its impacts in advancing women's leadership, achieving gender equality and ensuring effective climate action.

B. Gender balance, participation and women's leadership

4. To achieve and sustain the full, equal and meaningful participation of women in the UNFCCC process.

C. Coherence

5. To strengthen the integration of gender considerations within the work of UNFCCC bodies, the secretariat and other United Nation entities and stakeholders towards the consistent implementation of gender-related mandates and activities.

D. Gender-responsive implementation and means of implementation

6. To ensure the respect, promotion and consideration of gender equality and the empowerment of women in the implementation of the Convention and the Paris Agreement.

E. Monitoring and reporting

7. To improve tracking of the implementation of and reporting on gender-related mandates under the Lima work programme and its gender action plan.

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Table 1

Priority area A: capacity-building, knowledge management and communication

<i>Activities</i>	<i>Responsible</i>	<i>Timeline</i>	<i>Deliverable(s) / outputs</i>	<i>Level of implementation</i>
A.1 Strengthen capacity-building efforts to mainstream gender in formulating, monitoring and reviewing nationally determined contributions, national adaptation plans, national communications and other national climate change policies, plans, strategies and action	Leading: Parties, relevant organizations Contributing: national gender and climate change focal points, secretariat	By 2025	Capacity-building programmes and plans for developing gender-responsive climate change policy	Regional, national
A.2 Provide capacity-building opportunities, tools and resources through workshops, knowledge exchange, peer-to-peer learning, mentoring and coaching to support and enhance the work of national gender and climate change focal points, including defining the role of national gender and climate change focal points at different levels	Leading: secretariat Contributing: national gender and climate change focal points, relevant organizations	Subsidiary bodies session 52 (June 2020)	In-session workshop Informal report	International
	Leading: relevant organizations Contributing: secretariat, national gender and climate change focal points	By 2025	Capacity-building initiatives	Regional, national
A.3 Provide capacity-building for collecting, analysing and applying sex- and gender-disaggregated data and for including gender indicators in monitoring and evaluation	Leading: relevant organizations Contributing: Parties	By 2025	Training, tools and guidelines	Regional, national, local

A.4 Exchange information on lessons learned among Parties that integrated gender in their first nationally determined contributions (e.g. results, impacts achieved and main challenges) and on the actions that Parties are taking to mainstream gender in their revised nationally determined contributions;	Parties, relevant organizations	31 March 2021	Submissions on lessons learned	International, national
	Leading: secretariat Contributing: national gender and climate change focal points, relevant organizations	Subsidiary bodies session 54 (May–June 2021)	In-session workshop Informal report	International
	Leading: relevant organizations Contributing: secretariat, national gender and climate change focal points	By 2025	Workshops, dialogues, training expert meetings	Regional, national
A.5 Invite the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and the scientific community to strengthen the understanding of differentiated impacts of climate change and the role of women as agents of change	Parties	31 January 2020	Submissions on possible topics on consideration for the twelfth meeting of the research dialogue to be held in conjunction with SBSTA 52 (June 2020)	National
	Chair of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice	Prior to subsidiary bodies session 52	Consider this topic for the research dialogue referred to above	International
	Research community, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change	2024	Consider this topic and the outcomes of the research dialogue	International, national
A.6 Publish a visually engaging and impactful to the public annual update report on progress under the Lima work programme on gender and its GAP that captures key data from UNFCCC reports and other relevant information	Secretariat	Annual	Gender and climate change annual report	International

Table 2

Priority area B: gender balance, participation and women’s leadership

Activities	Responsible	Timeline	Deliverable(s) / outputs	Level of implementation
B.1 Promote and create initiatives for capacity-building in leadership, negotiations, facilitation and chairing for negotiations for women delegates so that they may participate in the UNFCCC process, including through webinars and in-session training	Leading: relevant organizations Contributing: secretariat	By 2025	Workshops, capacity-building initiatives, webinars	International, regional
B.2 Invite the Facilitative Working Group of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform to host a dialogue to discuss advancing the leadership and highlighting the solutions of indigenous women and ways of enhancing their effective participation in climate policy and action	Leading: Facilitative Working Group of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform Contributing: secretariat, Parties, relevant organizations	Subsidiary bodies session 53 (November 2022)	Dialogue Dialogue report	International
B.3 Promote travel funds as a means of supporting the participation of women in national delegations at UNFCCC sessions, as well as funds to support the participation of grass-roots local and indigenous peoples' communities from developing countries, the least developed countries and small island developing States	Leading: Parties Contributing: relevant organizations, secretariat	By 2025	Communication, advocacy materials, training	International, regional, national

Table 3

Priority area C: coherence

Activities	Responsible	Timeline	Deliverable(s) / outputs	Level of implementation
C.1 Develop a standardized approach to introducing constituted body members to gender-related mandates and to the relevance of gender in the context of their work	Leading: secretariat Contributing: relevant organizations	Subsidiary bodies session 52 (2020)	Standardised approach	International

C.2 Facilitate the exchange of views and best practices of the Chairs of constituted bodies on how to strengthen the integration of the gender perspective into their work, taking into account the synthesis reports on progress in integrating a gender perspective into constituted body processes referred to in para 14(b) of this decision	Leading: Chairs of constituted bodies Contributing: secretariat	Subsidiary bodies session 56 (June 2022) Subsidiary bodies session 60 (2024)	Selection of topics for dialogue Dialogue Dialogue report	International
	Leading: secretariat Contributing: relevant organizations	Subsidiary bodies session 56	Guidelines on integrating gender into the work of the constituted bodies	International
C.3 Strengthen linkages between the gender considerations and action plans of the Convention, Paris Agreement, 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity, United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030, the United Nations Climate Action Summit and the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action	Leading: secretariat Contributing: Parties, constituted bodies, relevant organizations	Annual from Conference of the Parties 26 (November 2020)	Event on Gender Day dedicated to discussions on synergies	International
	Parties	2022/2023	Inputs to the global stocktake	National

Table 4

Priority area D: gender-responsive implementation and means of implementation

<i>Activities</i>	<i>Responsible</i>	<i>Timeline</i>	<i>Deliverable(s) / outputs</i>	<i>Level of implementation</i>
D.1 Share experience on gender budgeting, including on the integration of gender-responsive budgeting into national budgets and the distribution of climate finance to advance gender-responsive climate policy and action	Parties, secretariat, relevant organizations	31 July 2022	Submissions	International
	Leading: relevant organizations Contributing: Parties, national gender and climate change focal points, secretariat,	2022	Expert group meeting	International or regional
D.2 Raise awareness of the financial and technical support available for, and promote strengthening of, gender integration in climate policy and action	Leading: secretariat Contributing: Adaptation Fund, Global Environment Facility, Green Climate Fund,	Ongoing to 2025	Webinars, communication materials	International, regional, national

	private sector, philanthropic financial institutions			
D.3 Promote the scaling-up and replication of gender-responsive technological solutions, including local, indigenous and traditional knowledge and practices in different sectors	Leading: Parties, relevant organizations, constituted bodies Contributing: secretariat	Ongoing to 2025	Workshops, capacity-building initiatives, webinars	International, regional, national
D.4 Support the identification of experts on gender and climate change in different sectors and thematic areas	Leading: secretariat Contributing: relevant organizations, Parties	2025	Strengthened existing rosters and databases of experts	International, regional, national
D.5 Engage women's groups, and national gender machineries in the process of developing and implementing nationally determined contributions at all levels	Parties Parties, relevant organizations	Ongoing to 2025 Annual	Workshops, expert group meetings Submissions	National International, national

Table 5

Priority area E: monitoring and reporting

Activities	Responsible	Timeline	Deliverable(s) / outputs	Level of implementation
E.1 Enhance the availability of sex- and gender-disaggregated data and analysis	Leading: Parties Contributing: relevant organizations	By 2025	National systems to manage and make available sex- and gender-disaggregated data and analysis	National
E.2 Strengthen the monitoring and reporting on women's leadership within UNFCCC processes in the context of the gender composition report and via the use of qualitative indicators to measure meaningful participation	Secretariat	Ongoing to 2025	Additional information included in gender composition report	International
E.3 Track and report on the implementation of gender-responsive climate policies and action reported by Parties in regular reports and communications under the UNFCCC processes	Secretariat	COP 28 (November 2022)	Compilation and synthesis report	International

