

**Informal note by co-facilitators
on**

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**Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme referred to in
decision 4/CMA.4**

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This informal note is aimed at facilitating discussions among Parties on the joint SBI–SBSTA agenda item on the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme referred to in decision 4/CMA.4. It has been prepared by the co-facilitators under their own responsibility and thus has no formal status. It aims to capture views and ideas on the work programme expressed by Parties, noting that views relating to broader mitigation aspects may be discussed under the global stocktake. The content is not exhaustive and additional views of Parties may be added.

Mandate

- Recalling the Paris Agreement
- Recalling decision 1/CMA.3
- Recalling decision 1/CMA.4
- Recalling decision 4/CMA.4
- Recognizing the importance of the best available science for effective climate action and policymaking
- Noting the assessment of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change that the impacts of climate change will be much lower at a temperature increase of 1.5 °C compared with 2 °C, and the resolve to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5 °C
- Also noting that this requires immediate, deep and sustained reductions in global greenhouse gas emissions
- Emphasizing the urgent need for Parties to increase their efforts to collectively reduce emissions through accelerated action and implementation of domestic mitigation measures in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement
- Reaffirming that the objective of the work programme for urgently scaling up mitigation ambition and implementation referred to in paragraph 27 of decision 1/CMA.3 shall be to urgently scale up mitigation ambition and implementation in this critical decade in a manner that complements the global stocktake, as confirmed in decision 4/CMA.4, paragraph 1
- Reaffirming that the work programme shall be operationalized through focused exchanges of views, information and ideas, noting that the outcomes of the work programme will be non-prescriptive, non-punitive, facilitative, respectful of national sovereignty and national circumstances, will take into account the nationally determined nature of nationally determined contributions and will not impose new targets or goals, as mandated in decision 4/CMA.4, paragraph 2

Reflection of the work program this year

- Welcomes the appointment of Amr Osama Abdel-Aziz and Lola Vallejo as the co-chairs of the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme for 2023–2024

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- Welcomes the outcomes of the two global dialogues and investment-focused events held under the work programme in 2023
 - Commends the choice of accelerating the just energy transition as the topic of the work programme in 2023
 - Expresses appreciation to the co-chairs of the work programme and the secretariat for organizing the global dialogues and investment-focused events, and to the facilitators of the breakout groups and world café sessions, experts, Parties and non-Party stakeholders for their contributions and engagement therein
 - Expresses appreciation to the Government of the United Arab Emirates for hosting the second global dialogue and investment-focused event under the work programme in 2023
 - Welcomes the focused exchange of views, information and ideas among participants during the global dialogues under the work programme in 2023 on the topic of accelerating the just energy transition
 - Highlights the importance of accelerating the just energy transition to hold the increase in the global average temperature to well below 2 °C above pre-industrial levels and pursuing efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels
 - Welcomes the annual report for 2023 under the work programme¹
 - Notes the key findings, opportunities, barriers and actionable solutions relevant to the topic of accelerating the just energy transition summarized in the annual report [placeholder: including]
 - Encourages Parties to consider the key findings, opportunities, barriers and actionable solutions related to accelerating the just energy transition contained in the annual report with a view to urgently scaling up mitigation ambition and implementation in this critical decade [placeholder: including by]

Improvement of the work programme

- Encourages Parties, observers and other non-Party stakeholders to submit via the submission portal² by 1 February 2024 suggested topics in line with the scope of the work programme, to be discussed under the global dialogues held in 2024³
- Reiterates the request to the co-chairs of the work programme to decide on and communicate by 1 March 2024 the topics to be discussed at each dialogue held in 2024⁴
- Encourages Parties, observers and other non-Party stakeholders to submit their views on opportunities, best practices, actionable solutions, challenges and barriers relevant to the topics of each dialogue via the submission portal four weeks before each dialogue⁵
- Requests the secretariat to ensure, under the guidance of the co-chairs of the work programme, linkages of sub-topics between the global dialogues and investment-focused events
- Requests the secretariat to organize, under the guidance of the co-chairs of the work programme, future global dialogues and investment-focused events in a manner that enables effective engagement of participants, including by:

¹ FCCC/SB/2023/8.

² <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>.

³ Decision 4/CMA.4, para. 12.

⁴ Decision 4/CMA.4, para. 13.

⁵ Decision 4/CMA.4, para. 14.

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- o Announcing the date and venue and sharing the agenda well in advance
 - o Enhancing participation of relevant experts, policymakers, local governments and other non-Party stakeholders, particularly from developing countries, including by expanding virtual participation opportunities and involving the high-level champions
 - o Holding virtual meetings to follow up on the topic and sub-topics of the previous global dialogues and investment-focused events as necessary
 - Recalls decision 4/CMA.4, paragraph 9, in which it was decided that additional in-person or hybrid dialogues may be held each year in conjunction with existing events such as the regional climate weeks at the discretion of the co-chairs of the work programme with a view to ensuring inclusive and balanced geographical representation at the dialogues
 - Requests the secretariat to include investment-focused events, under the guidance of the co-chairs of the work programme, in the reports on each of the global dialogues referred to in decision 4/CMA.4, paragraph 15
 - Invites the subsidiary bodies to consider progress, including key findings, opportunities and barriers, in implementing the work programme at each session, starting at their sixtieth sessions (June 2024)

Some Parties expressed the views that discussions under this agenda item should not duplicate deliberations under the GST agenda item, while other Parties mentioned messages on mitigation ambition and implementation with the understanding that many are currently being discussed under the GST.