

Co-facilitator's elements paper

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Draft conclusions

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) took note of the submissions from Parties and organizations on institutional arrangements of the Santiago network under the Warsaw International Mechanism for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change.¹
2. The SBSTA and the SBI welcomed the technical workshop on institutional arrangements of the Santiago network, held from 4 to 6 May 2022,² at which participants discussed the submissions referred to in paragraph 1 above.
3. The SBSTA and the SBI also welcomed the informal information note,³ prepared jointly by their Chairs, on the technical workshop referred to in paragraph 2 above.
4. The SBSTA and the SBI expressed their appreciation for the logistical and financial assistance provided by the Government of Denmark in hosting the technical workshop.
5. The SBSTA and the SBI recommended a draft decision on institutional arrangements of the Santiago network for consideration and adoption by the appropriate governing body or bodies at its/their next session(s) (November 2022) (for the text of the draft decision, see document FCCC/SB/2022/L.X/Add.X).⁴

Draft decision elements

Preamble

1. Recalling Article 8 of the Paris Agreement and relevant decisions;
2. Noting the urgency based on the best available science;
3. Recalling that the Santiago network was established to catalyse the technical assistance of relevant organizations, bodies, networks and experts, for the implementation of relevant approaches for averting, minimize and addressing loss and damage at the local, national and regional level, in developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change;⁵
4. Recalling the functions of the Santiago network referred to in decisions 19/CMA.3, paragraph 9, and 17/CP.26, paragraph 9.

Main text

1. Agreement on the operation of the Santiago network, including:

¹ Available at <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>. (in the search field, type "Santiago network").

² As per decisions 19/CMA.3, para. 10(c), and 17/CP.26, para. 10(c).

³ Available at <https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/Informal%20information%20note%20by%20the%20Chairs%20of%20the%20Subsidiary%20Bodies.pdf>.

⁴ Nothing in these conclusions or the annex prejudices Parties' views or prejudices outcomes on matters related to the governance of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts.

⁵ See decision 2/CMA.2, para. 43.

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- a) Should be efficient, demand-driven and responsive to nationally- and locally-led needs, with a focus on the most vulnerable, with a view to complementing existing structures and striving to maximize coherence and synergies, while avoiding additional burdens on developing countries in terms of reporting and other obligations;
 - b) Should be guided by the best available science and, as appropriate, traditional and indigenous knowledge, and follow a gender-based approach;
 - c) Should be open, broad and inclusive, facilitating effective engagement of a wide range of organizations and others at the regional, national and local level, including those in developing countries;
 - d) ...
2. Agreement on the broad components of the Santiago network:
 - a) A secretariat serving as the convening/coordinating body of the Santiago network;
 - b) Providers of technical assistance comprising a broad range of organizations, bodies, networks and experts from all regions, working at the local, subnational, national, regional and international level, including those in developing countries;
 - c) Developing country Parties that may be represented, as appropriate, by loss and damage contact points or others nominated by respective national climate change focal points, who will, inter alia:
 - i) Identify and prioritize technical assistance needs and communicate the requests to the secretariat of the network;
 - ii) Receive technical assistance from providers of support, as coordinated through the Santiago Network secretariat or other appropriate entry points at the national, subnational or local level in a country.
 3. Agreement to adopt the terms of reference of the secretariat that would serve as the convening/coordinating body of the Santiago network, as contained in the annex to this decision.
 4. Request to the convening/coordinating body of the Santiago network, once it is operational, to elaborate its modalities and procedures on the basis of the terms of reference contained in the annex, taking into account decisions 2/CMA.2, paragraph 43, decision 19/CMA.3, paragraph 9, and decision 1/CMA.1, paragraph 67.
 5. Placeholder for the potential roles of the WIM Executive Committee and its expert groups, thematic expert group and task forces in supporting the work of the Santiago network.
 6. Placeholder to include provisions for appointing the convening/coordinating body that provides the secretarial services to the Santiago network or for launching a process to finalize the selection of such body, or another process, as appropriate.
 7. Reference to the urging to developed country Parties to provide funds for the operation of the Santiago network in accordance with decision 1/CMA.3, paragraph 70.

Annex to the draft decision

Elements for the terms of reference of the coordinating or convening body of the Santiago network

- I. Objective/mission
 - The coordinating or convening body to provide secretarial services to the operation of the Santiago network (Santiago network secretariat).
 - II. Organizational structure of the Santiago network secretariat
 - A secretariat to be hosted under one or several organizations that are able to support the functions of the secretariat as laid out in paragraph III below.
 - ...
 - ...
 - III. Role and responsibilities of the Santiago network secretariat
 - To provide all necessary secretarial services for the network, including:
 - Receiving and collating requests for technical assistance from developing countries with a view to...;
 - Facilitating arrangements for the preparation of project proposals for technical assistance;
 - Identifying entities that could provide the requested technical assistance;
 - Administering funds in accordance with decision 1/CMA.3, paragraphs 67–69, and providing annual financial reports;
 - ...
 - IV. Reporting
 - Be accountable to, and under the guidance of, ...
 - Provide an annual report on its activities to ...
 - Provide financial reports to those providing funds in accordance with decision 1/CMA 3, paragraphs 67–68.
 - V. Terms of agreement
 - The terms of agreement to host the Santiago network secretariat will be for x years;
 - The renewal of agreement is subject to the host organization fulfilling its functions as laid out in paragraph III above and the findings of the review as per paragraph x in the decision.
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