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Agenda item 4: Mandates from COP 29 and CMA 6 and updated workplan of the Standing Committee on Finance for 2025.

The SCF agrees to adopt the updated SCF workplan in 2025 and undertake the following activities as part of the workplan in 2025:

- SCF Co-Chairs to produce a dissemination plan during the intersessional period and with support of members, organise outreach webinars on 2024 reports and explore dissemination and outreach events, including during the June sessions in Bonn;
- SCF Co-Chairs to explore organising a technical expert session on information and data sources, availability and gaps in relation to the elements of the NCQG decision during SCF 37;
- SCF Co-Chairs and members to engage in relevant meetings and events with a view to enhance outreach with a wide range of stakeholders;
- SCF members are invited to provide suggested topics for its Forum in 2026 and 2027 for consideration at SCF 37.



Agenda item 5: 2025 Forum of the Standing Committee on Finance

SCF agreed:

- a) To appoint Elena Pereira and Brittany Young as co-facilitators of the 2025 SCF Forum;
- b) To request the co-facilitators to develop a draft Forum programme for consideration at SCF 37, taking into account views expressed by SCF members and observers on the draft programme outline at SCF 36.

Next steps:

- SCF members engage in fundraising activities for the Forum;
- The secretariat will continue legal and organizational arrangements for hosting the Forum in the FAO headquarters in Rome, Italy;
- The secretariat will update the synthesis of submissions.



Agenda item 6: Draft guidance to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism

SCF agreed:

- a) To appoint Ali Waqas and Karima Oustadi as co-facilitators of the draft guidance to the operating entities;
- b) To the activities to prepare the draft guidance in 2025.



Activities for preparing draft guidance

- Co-facilitators will convene informal consultations with Parties to gather views on the draft guidance regarding the policies, programming priorities and eligibility criteria of the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, during the intersessional period, prior to SCF 37.
- Building on the outcomes of the informal consultations, the SCF will initiate substantive work at SCF 37 to identify elements of draft guidance.
- 3. The co-facilitators will engage with the co-chairs of the governing bodies of the operating entities and explore opportunities to align timeline of their annual reports with the SCF's timeline for preparing the draft guidance.
- 4. The co-facilitators will continue to engage with other constituted bodies (such as the AC, TEC, and ExCom) to share their activities for preparing the draft guidance and provide guidance on preparing the submissions.
- 5. Taking into account the elements of draft guidance identified at SCF 37 and the submissions received, the co-facilitators will prepare a pre-final draft guidance for consideration at SCF 38.

Agenda item 7a: Seventh biennial assessment and overview of climate finance flows

SCF agreed:

- a) To appoint Vicky Noens and Diann Black-Layne as co-facilitators for the preparation of the seventh BA;
- b) To request co-facilitators, with the support of the secretariat, to develop a draft annotated outline and draft workplan taking into consideration comments by SCF members at SCF 36, for consideration at SCF 37.

Next steps

Co-facilitators, with the support of the secretariat, to explore ways how the technical work can be improved for better dissemination and impact, including overcoming challenges and limitations in data gaps, and issues with timing of the BA with data availability.



Agenda item 7b: The third report on progress towards achieving the goal of mobilizing jointly USD 100 billion per year to address the needs of developing countries in the context of meaningful mitigation actions and transparency on implementation

SCF agreed:

- a) To appoint Gabriela Blatter and Richard Muyungi as co-facilitators for the preparation of the third USD 100 billion report;
- b) To request co-facilitators, with the support of the secretariat, to develop a draft annotated outline and draft workplan taking into consideration comments by SCF members at SCF 36, for consideration at SCF 37.

Next steps

Co-facilitators, with the support of the secretariat, to develop a work plan and draft outline with a view to improving awareness on data gaps, different accounting methods used, lessons learned and effectiveness of climate finance.



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Agenda item 8: Linkages with constituted bodies of the Convention and the Paris Agreement.

Constituted bodies and thematic areas	Focal points
Adaptation-related matters, the AC and the LEG	Apollonia Miola Chandni Raina
Capacity-building-related matters, including the PCCB	Apollonia Miola Hendrikje Reich
Indigenous People-related matters, the FWG and the LCIPP	Brittany Young Diego Pary
Loss and damage-related matters, including the WIM ExCom	Brittany Young Elena Pereira
Response measures-related matters, including the KCI	Apollonia Miola Diann Black-Layne
Transparency-related matters, including the CGE	Vicky Noens Karima Oustadi
Technology-related matters, including the TEC and the CTCN	Clara Schultz Diann Black-Layne
Mitigation-related matters, including the work of Article 6.4 SB, CDM and JI	Gabriela Blatter Diann Black-Layne
Gender and youth-related matters	Brittany Young Hendrikje Reich

