

CONCEPT NOTE

Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security

Workshop on topic 2: Progress, challenges and opportunities related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security, including sharing of best practices

The [second workshop](#) under the ‘Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security’ (SJWA) is convened at the Sixty-Fourth Session of the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies (SB64) in June 2026.

The topic of this workshop is: “Progress, challenges and opportunities related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security, including sharing of best practices”.

Mandate and background

[Decision 3/CP.27](#) requested the SBSTA and SBI to establish the SJWA, including implementation of outcomes of the Koronivia joint work on agriculture and previous activities addressing issues related to agriculture,¹ as well as future topics, recognizing that solutions are context-specific and take into account national circumstances, with the following objectives:

(a) Promoting a holistic approach to addressing issues related to agriculture and food security, taking into consideration regional, national and local circumstances, in order to deliver a range of multiple benefits, where applicable, such as adaptation, adaptation co-benefits and mitigation, recognizing that adaptation is a priority for vulnerable groups, including women, indigenous peoples and small-scale farmers;

(b) Enhancing coherence, synergies, coordination, communication and interaction between Parties, constituted bodies and workstreams, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, the Adaptation Fund, the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund in order to facilitate the implementation of action to address issues related to agriculture and food security;

(c) Promoting synergies and strengthening engagement, collaboration and partnerships among national, regional and international organizations and other relevant stakeholders, as well as under relevant processes and initiatives, in order to enhance the implementation of climate action to address issues related to agriculture and food security;

(d) Providing support and technical advice to Parties, constituted bodies and the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism on climate action to address issues related

¹ See documents FCCC/SBSTA/2014/INF.2, FCCC/SBSTA/2015/INF.6, FCCC/SBSTA/2015/INF.7, FCCC/SBSTA/2016/INF.5 and FCCC/SBSTA/2016/INF.6.

to agriculture and food security, respecting the Party-driven approach and in accordance with their respective procedures and mandates;

(e) Enhancing research and development on issues related to agriculture and food security and consolidating and sharing related scientific, technological and other information, knowledge (including local and indigenous knowledge), experience, innovations and best practices;

(f) Evaluating progress in implementing and cooperating on climate action to address issues related to agriculture and food security;

(g) Sharing information and knowledge on developing and implementing national policies, plans and strategies related to climate change, while recognizing country-specific needs and contexts.

Parties set out a road map of work under the SJWA, as contained in annex II of [FCCC/SBI/2024/13](#) and [FCCC/SBSTA/2024/7](#), including two in-session workshops in hybrid format, facilitating both virtual and in-person participation, to be held sequentially at SB62 (June 2025) and SB64 (June 2026).

The SBSTA and the SBI invited Parties and observers to submit views on the subject, of the second workshop, options for its format and suggested speakers by 1 March 2026.² This concept note was prepared taking into account these submissions.

Organization of SJWA Workshops

The COP requested the Secretariat to invite to the workshops representatives of the Constituted Bodies under the Convention, and Operating Entities of the Financial Mechanism, the Adaptation Fund, the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, as well as observers. Time should be dedicated during the workshops to coordinate in relation to the joint work.

At SB62, the SBI and the SBSTA invited relevant international organizations to participate in the workshop and requested the secretariat to design it to be interactive, incorporating formats such as world café and breakout sessions, and to ensure that sufficient time is allocated for exchange of views and interaction among participants.

The time to coordinate in relation to the joint work should be structured in such a way as to facilitate the sharing of best practices related to climate action on agriculture and food security for interlinkages, synergies, collaboration and partnerships used for effective implementation of the objectives of the SJWA ([FCCC/SBI/2025/11](#), paragraphs. 69-71, and [FCCC/SBSTA/2025/4](#), paragraphs 107-109).

² The submissions are available at <https://submissions.unfccc.int/?cfsid=1475>.

Objectives and proposed approach

General objectives of the workshop

The workshop is expected to allow Parties to:

- Take stock of progress on identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security;
- Exchange about challenges and opportunities in identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security, including sharing of best practices;
- Be informed about the scope of the work and activities of the invited constituted bodies, operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, the Adaptation Fund, the Least Developed Countries Fund, the Special Climate Change Fund and observers in relation to agriculture, relevant to identifying and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security;
- Coordinate in relation to the joint work, including on its contribution to supporting progress, addressing challenges and harnessing opportunities to identify needs and access means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security.

The outcomes of the workshop are expected to help Parties advance consideration of progress, challenges and opportunities related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security and to share best practices.

General approach to the workshop

The workshop is organized in seven main segments.

- **Plenary segment 1:** Keynote presentation;
- **Plenary segment 2:** Party presentations;
- **Plenary segment 3:** Perspectives from observer organizations;
- **Plenary segment 4:** Panel gathering perspectives from international organizations followed by a plenary discussion;
- **World Café:** Interactive exchange of views, guided by diverse perspectives from constituted bodies, financing entities and observer organizations;
- **Plenary segment 5:** Presentation from the Green Climate Fund, followed by reporting back from rapporteurs of the World Café tables and an interactive exchange of views among all Parties and observers, guided by the co-facilitators of the workshop;
- **Plenary segment 6:** Time to coordinate in relation to the joint work.

The workshop also includes a short opening and closing session. The co-facilitators of the workshop are to provide an initial reflection and the key points raised in the discussions at the end of the workshop. A workshop report will be prepared after the session.

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8-10 June 2026

Bonn, Germany

AGENDA

First session: Monday, 8 June 2026, 15.00 – 18.00 CEST

15.00: Opening (20 minutes)

- Opening remarks by Julia Gardiner, SBI Chair
- Introduction and organization of work by the workshop co-facilitators

15.20: Keynote presentation (20 minutes)

Liva Kaugure, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

**Title: Overview of progress, challenges and opportunities related to identifying
needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and
food security**

15.40: Party presentations (30 minutes)

Guiding questions for presentations:

1. *What is your experience with identifying needs and/or accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security?*
2. *What is your assessment of progress, challenges and opportunities related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security?*
3. *Are there any best practices related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security that you wish to share?*

Countries:

- *Brazil;*
- *The European Union;*
- *Ghana on behalf of the African Group of Negotiators;*
- *New Zealand;*
- *Uganda on behalf of the Least Developed Countries Group.*

16.10: Perspectives from observer organizations (40 minutes)

Guiding questions for interventions:

1. *What is your experience with identifying needs and/or accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security?*

2. *What is your assessment of progress, challenges and opportunities related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security?*
3. *Are there any best practices related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security that you wish to share?*

The nine observer constituencies were invited to nominate a representative to make short oral statements to address the guiding questions above.

Confirmed speakers include representatives from:

- *Business and industry NGOs (BINGO);*
- *Environmental NGOs (ENGO);*
- *Farmers and agricultural NGOs (Farmers);*
- *Indigenous People organizations (IPO);*
- *Research and independent NGOs (RINGO);*
- *Women and Gender Constituency (WGC);*
- *Children and youth NGOs (YOUNGO).*

16.50 Panel involving different international organizations (30 minutes)

Guiding questions for interventions by panelists:

1. *What is your experience with identifying needs and/or providing access to means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security?*
2. *What is your assessment of progress, challenges and opportunities related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security?*
3. *Are there any best practices related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security that you wish to share?*

The panel is composed of representatives of the following international organizations:

- *The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations FAO;*
- *The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD);*
- *The World Bank.*

17.20 Plenary discussion (30 minutes)

Co-facilitators to facilitate discussions among workshop participants on the workshop topic, based on the presentations so far.

17.50: Closing of first session by co-facilitators (10 minutes)

- Closing remarks by the co-facilitators
- Brief introduction of the modalities of the World-Café scheduled on Tuesday

18.00: End of first session

Second session, World café: Tuesday, 9 June 2026, 15.00 – 18.00 CEST

Overview of the World Café stations:

The World Café stations facilitate interactive discussions to gather and highlight a range of good/best practices to address challenges related to the identification of needs and the access to means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security and gives the opportunity to participants to exchange with representatives of Constituted Bodies, financing and other entities under the Convention, as well as observer organizations.

A first set of tables allows to collectively identify good/best practices relevant to the identification of needs and the access to climate finance, technology transfer and capacity building related to agriculture and food security, while the second set of tables focusses on addressing more specifically the needs of a wide range of vulnerable groups.

Table	Topic	Expert	Facilitator / Rapporteur
Station 1 Climate finance for agriculture and food security / Enhancing adaptive capacities and improving access to means of implementation of vulnerable groups			
1A	The role of the Financial Mechanism: identifying needs and accessing climate finance	GEF (<i>Olusola Uchenna Ikuforiji</i>)	FAO (<i>Martial Bernoux</i>)
1B	Enhancing adaptive capacities and improving access to means of implementation of vulnerable groups, with a focus on smallholders, family farmers and pastoralists	FARMERS (<i>Cristian Barraqueta</i>)	COP30 Presidency (<i>Adriana Gabinio</i>)
Station 2 Climate Finance for adaptation and loss and damage in agriculture and food security			
2A	Accessing climate finance for adaptation	Adaptation Fund (<i>Timileyin Oyebade</i>)	BINGO (<i>Justin Perrettson</i>)
2B	Addressing loss and damage from climate change	FARMERS (<i>Estrella Penunia Banzuela</i>)	WIM ExCom (<i>Jonathan Mai</i>)

Table	Topic	Expert	Facilitator / Rapporteur
Station 3 Innovations in financing climate action for agriculture and food security and repurposing agricultural support			
3A	Financing climate action	BINGO (Marcela Chacon)	ENGO (Marie Cosquer)
3B	Support subsidy reform	ENGO (Elodie Guillon)	YOUNGO (Bruna Santos de Almeida)
Station 4 Technology development and transfer for agriculture and food security			
4A	Technology development and transfer	UNEP (Gregory Kohler)	CTCN AB (Hortense Traoré Kagambèga)
4B	Connecting vulnerable developing countries with providers of technical assistance	Santiago Network (Corey Fortin)	FAO (Liva Kaugure)
Station 5 Capacity Building for agriculture and food security			
5A	Capacity building for agriculture and food security	FAO (Evetta Zenina)	RINGO (Glindys Virginia Luciano)
5B	Addressing the capacity-building needs of Least Developed Countries	LEG (John Payai Manyok)	YOUNGO (Isabel Vander Molen)
Station 6 Enhancing adaptive capacities and improving access to means of implementation of vulnerable groups, with a focus on...			
6A	Indigenous Peoples and local communities	IPO (Taily Terena)	LCIPP FWG (Angela Ebeleke)
6B	Women and youth	Women and Gender (Ndivile Colia Mokoena)	COP31 Presidency Youth Climate Champion (Sally Higgins)

15.00: Opening *(10 minutes)*

Welcome and organization of the afternoon by the workshop co-facilitators, and ask participants to distribute themselves evenly among tables

15:10: (3 rounds of discussions, with rotation every 25 minutes)

15:10 Table 1

15:35 Table 2

16:00 Table 3

16.25: Short Break *(15 minutes)*

16:40: Pursuit of the rotation (3 rounds of discussion, with rotation every 25 minutes)

16:40 Table 4

17:05 Table 5

17:30 Table 6

17.55: Closing *(5 minutes)*

18.00: End of the World Café

Third session: Wednesday, 10 June 2026, 14.00 – 17.30 CEST

14.00: Opening (15 minutes)

Welcome, state of play and organization of the afternoon by the workshop co-facilitators

14.15: Presentation of the Green Climate Fund (GCF) of its support for climate action in agriculture and food security (20 minutes)

14.35: Reporting back from the World Café (45 minutes)

Rapporteurs of each of the tables of the World-Café session to report back on key highlights from discussions at their respective tables.

15.20: Plenary discussions (40 minutes)

Open discussion building on key messages highlighted by the rapporteurs of the different tables of the World-Café

16.00: Short Break (20 minutes)

16.20: Time to coordinate in relation to the joint work (60 minutes)

Open discussion on the following guiding questions:

- 1. What are examples of best practices related to climate action on agriculture and food security for interlinkages, synergies, collaboration and partnerships used for effective implementation of the objectives of the Sharm el-Sheikh joint work?*
- 2. How can the joint work contribute to support progress, address challenges and harness opportunities related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security?*

17.20: Closing remarks (10 minutes)

- Closing remarks by the co-facilitators
- Closing remarks by Carol Franco, SBSTA Vice-Chair

17.30: End of workshop