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Oral report by the Chair of the Technology Executive Committee

Thank you, Madam Chair,
**Distinguished delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,**

On behalf of the TEC, I am pleased to report to you on the achievements of the TEC in **2020 and 2021**.

Despite the challenges posed by the **pandemic**, the TEC **fully implemented** its rolling work plan for these 2 years, holding meetings and events in **virtual format**.

Allow me to **highlight** some key achievements.

1. The TEC and CTCN began their **first-ever joint activities**, on the topics of technology and NDCs, and technology and gender. We have just published our **first joint publication**, on stimulating technology uptake to support countries in implementing their NDCs.
2. The TEC made significant progress in **mainstreaming gender** into its work. **Today I can report** that in 2021, for the 1st time in its history, the TEC achieved gender balance in its events this year, with more women participating than men. This **sets a benchmark** for TEC's future work and also for other constituted bodies.
3. The TEC has held events and released publications on a range topics across the key themes of the Technology Framework, resulting in **key messages and recommendations** to Parties on:
 - technology needs assessments,
 - technologies for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage in coastal zones,
 - international collaborative RD&D,
 - innovative approaches to stimulating uptake of existing technologies, and
 - endogenous capacities and technologies.
4. The TEC has engaged with **existing partners** and has **developed new collaborations**, including recently with IUCN, the Nairobi Work Programme Expert Group on Oceans and FEBA on the **Technology Day** series of events, **which continues** here in Glasgow.

Madam Chair, distinguished delegates,

Allow me to express my sincere gratitude to all members of the TEC, its observers, resource persons and the Secretariat for their valuable contributions in advancing the work of the TEC in an unprecedented situation.

Thank you.