

INFORMAL NOTE

on

SBI 61 agenda item 5b Modalities of the United Arab Emirates dialogue on implementing the global stocktake outcomes, referred to in paragraph 97 of decision 1/CMA.5

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Informal note by the co-facilitators

The purpose of this informal note is to organize the views of Parties, presented during meetings of the informal consultations and submissions made by Parties on the modalities of the United Arab Emirates dialogue on implementing the global stocktake outcomes. The informal note includes divergent views on modalities and has been prepared by the co-facilitators for this agenda item under their own responsibility. The informal note has not been agreed upon, is not exhaustive, and has no formal status. It is intended to assist Parties in their discussions and does not prejudice further work or prevent Parties from expressing any further views

Based on deliberations by Parties, modalities for the United Arab Emirates Dialogue on implementing the outcomes of the global stocktake may include the following:

Preamble

- *Relevant articles of the Paris Agreement*
- *Recall decision 1/CMA.5, including paras. 97 and 98*

Scope

- The United Arab Emirates dialogue will foster a focused and interactive exchange of views, information, and ideas on
 - **Option 1:** tracking progress in the delivery of the new collective quantified goal for climate finance, in accordance with the timelines and outcomes of the Paris Agreement to facilitate the revision of the NCQG as well as feed into the second global stocktake process;
 - Dialogue will enable developing countries to enhance their action in their diverse national plans;
 - Opportunity for Parties to assess provision of finance for NDC implementation and reporting (BTRs) in light of the needs of developing country Parties as outlined in plans (NDCs and NAPs) and progress on support commitments (NCQG) in a manner that can inform review in the context of the GST and the NCQG;
 - Discussions on challenges faced by developing countries in accessing finance;
 - Discussions on progress on doubling adaptation finance;
 - **Option 2:** ensuring collective and balanced implementation of all outcomes of the first global stocktake, with a focus on those outcomes that are not already covered by existing mandates or activities by constituted bodies or work programmes under the Convention and the Paris Agreement;
 - Update on collective progress in implementing all of the actionable, forward-looking outcomes of the first global stocktake, with focus on areas not taken up by constituted bodies, work programmes, or other agenda items, including paragraphs 28 to 36, and paragraph 51 of decision 1/CMA.5, with a dedicated space to discuss energy transition in accordance with paragraph 28 of decision 1/CMA.5;
 - Full range of these actionable outcomes to be taken up throughout the Dialogue;
 - Discussion on opportunities to enhance collective progress in implementing the outcomes of the first global stocktake in these areas; steps taken to implement the global stocktake outcome domestically and globally; barriers to implementation, including means of implementation and support; further decisions needed to implement the global stocktake outcomes;
 - **Option 3:** the implementation of all outcomes of the first global stocktake, with a particular focus on means of implementation;

- Raising ambition for adaptation, mitigation, means of implementation and support, and addressing loss and damage;
- Cover same thematic areas as first global stocktake, addressing both action and support. Loss and damage treated as fully distinct and standalone theme for implementation;
- Relevant work programmes and constituted bodies under or serving the Paris Agreement will have to integrate relevant outcomes of the first GST in planning their future works, in line with their mandates as referred to paragraph 186 of outcome of first GST;
- Accountability and follow-up to track progress, address gaps, and enhance implementation, ensuring that climate actions are aligned to 1.5°C, for the full implementation of GST outcomes and for supporting developing countries, particularly for LDCs and SIDS;
- **Option 4:** financing the implementation of nationally determined contributions and national adaptation plans and the agreed climate goals and relevant outcomes of CMA 3, CMA 4, and CMA 5;
 - Discussions on scale of finance, fairness and responsiveness of instruments, predictability of finance, accessibility, and equitable distribution of finance in facilitating implementation;

Governance

- The United Arab Emirates dialogue will be organized with the support of the secretariat
 - **Option 1:** under the guidance of the Chairs of the SBSTA and the SBI;
 - **Option 2:** under the guidance of the COP/CMA Presidency and the Chairs of the SBSTA and the SBI.
- The United Arab Emirates dialogue will be facilitated by two co-facilitators, one from a developed country Party and one from a developing country Party, to be selected by
 - **Option 1:** the COP/CMA Presidency;
 - **Option 2:** the Chairs of the SBSTA and the SBI;
 - **Option 3:** Parties;

Format

- The United Arab Emirates dialogue will:
 - Be party-driven and include the participation of Parties and non-Party stakeholders, including Indigenous Peoples, youth, women, workers, local experts, people with disabilities and representatives of UNFCCC constituencies;
 - Facilitate the sharing of experiences, barriers, challenges, best practices, and lessons learned;
 - Include diverse, creative, facilitative interactive formats such as plenary discussions, roundtables, presentations by Parties and non-Party experts, breakout sessions, and World Café sessions, as well as webcasts and options for virtual participation, to support equitable and effective engagement;
 - Maintain the transparent and inclusive nature of the first global stocktake, underscoring the importance of maintaining a balanced representation from developing Party countries and all regional groups, with active participation from vulnerable communities including the LDCs and SIDS;

Agenda

- Agenda for each session of the dialogue to be published
 - **Option 1:** At least four weeks in advance of the dialogue;
 - **Option 2:** At least six weeks in advance;

Guiding questions

- Guiding questions to be
 - **Option 1:** as follows:
 - What collective progress has been made in implementing the calls and commitments of the global stocktake?

- What barriers and challenges—particularly regarding financing and other means of implementation—are hindering the fulfilment of these calls and commitments?
- What additional calls and commitments are necessary to close the identified gaps?
- **Option 2:** to be made available by the co-facilitators of the dialogue no later than four months in advance of each dialogue;

High-level components

- **Option 1:** Ministerial dialogues held in 2028 and 2029;
- **Option 2:** High-level ministerial segments to be convened by SB Chairs as part of each dialogue;
- **Option 3:** High-level events may be conducted at the end of each dialogue or intersessionally;
- **Option 4:** Outcomes should be discussed at high-level events;

Other aspects

- Co-facilitators to develop annual workplan for each year of the dialogue on the basis of the submissions;

Timing

Frequency

- The United Arab Emirates dialogue will be held
 - **Option 1:** twice annually, once in conjunction with the sessions of the subsidiary bodies in May/June and once well in advance of the CMA;
 - **Option 2:** twice annually in conjunction with the sessions of the subsidiary bodies in May/June and the CMA;
 - **Option 3:** annually in conjunction with the CMA;
 - **Option 4:** annually in conjunction with the first sessions of the subsidiary bodies in May/June;

Conclusion of the dialogue

- **Option 1:** concludes in 2029/CMA 11;
- **Option 2:** concludes in 2028/CMA 10;
- **Option 3:** held in conjunction with CMA 7 and CMA 8, and concludes in 2028/CMA 10;
- **Option 4:** concludes in 2026/CMA 8;

Length of each dialogue

- **Option 1:** at least two half-day sessions;
- **Option 2:** two days;

Agenda item

- Agenda item at each session SBs and CMA

Inputs

Possible inputs include:

- Information and sources related to finance, including:
 - Information from NDCs on needs of financial support for developing countries (including on mitigation, adaptation, non-market based approaches);
 - Information from BTRs on climate finance provided and mobilized by developed country Parties, and climate finance needed and received by developing country Parties;

- Relevant reports from the Standing Committee on Finance on the progress of the delivery of the USD 100 billion per year commitment and progress of the NCQG itself;
 - BTR sections on climate finance with a particular emphasis on the assessment of assumptions utilized in reporting on finance;
 - Information on challenges faced by developing countries in accessing climate finance;
 - Reporting under Article 9.5 of the Paris Agreement;
- Further information sources:
 - Parties, observers, constituted bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement and other non-Party stakeholders to submit views and information in response to guiding questions;
 - Secretariat to prepare a synthesis of the submissions in advance of each dialogue;
 - Relevant reports and communications by Parties, including NAPs, NDCs and BTRs;
 - Relevant synthesis and summary reports prepared by the UNFCCC secretariat, including the NDC synthesis reports, BTR synthesis reports, summary reports in connection with paragraphs 181, 182 and 187 of decision 1/CMA.5;
 - The synthesis report of the technical dialogue of the first global stocktake;
 - Reports and outputs of United Nations agencies and other international organizations, such as the IPCC, IEA, IRENA, FAO, UNDP, UNEP, NDC Partnership, international financial institutions;
 - Reports and outputs of constituted bodies, forums and work programmes under or serving Convention and the Paris Agreement;
 - Other inputs to the GST referred to in paragraph 36 and 37 of decision 19/CMA.1;
 - Inputs informed by work of the High-Level Champions on the Marrakesh Partnership for Global Climate Action, Action, NGO Constituencies and other relevant Non-Party Stakeholders, including cities, regions, businesses and investors, and relevant coalitions and initiatives;
 - Report on the follow-up of GST outcomes in the work of the constituted bodies serving the Paris Agreement, in line with their respective mandates and work programmes, and information on relevant decisions taken after CMA 5;
 - Experts to hold presentations on collective progress in implementing the first GST at the United Arab Emirates dialogue;
 - Outputs from preceding dialogues;

Outputs

Possible outputs include:

Outputs of the process for determining the modalities of the dialogue

- Preparation of initial synthesis report by the secretariat in response to guiding questions adopted at CMA 6;

Outputs of the dialogue

- Summary report of each United Arab Emirates dialogue reflecting
 - **Option 1:** Progress estimates in relation to outlined needs and the NCQG commitment; accounting methodologies and practices, including underlying definitions and assumptions utilized in reporting of climate finance provided and mobilized;
 - **Option 2:** Discussions and findings including collective progress achieved towards implementation of the outcome of the global stocktake, including gaps and challenges, identifying potential information gaps and requests for additional input;
 - **Option 3:** A factual summary of the dialogue;
- Summary report of each United Arab Emirates dialogue for consideration by the CMA to be prepared by
 - **Option 1:** the secretariat;
 - **Option 2:** the SB Chairs with the assistance of the secretariat;
 - **Option 3:** the co-facilitators of the dialogue with the assistance of the secretariat;
 - **Option 4:** the CMA Presidency and the SB Chairs;
- Secretariat to prepare a synthesis report, based on the summary reports

- **Option 1:** for the technical assessment of the second global stocktake in 2028 and for the revision of the NCQG in 2029;
- **Option 2:** for the technical assessment of the second global stocktake in 2028;
- **Option 3:** in advance of CMA 8.
- Secretariat to develop a mapping of which bodies, agenda items or processes are working on each call and recommendation of the global stocktake to be made available in advance of CMA 7;
- Secretariat, with the support of relevant organizations, to produce a report to keep track of progress on all the global stocktake calls at the global level in advance of CMA 7;
- All work programmes and constituted bodies under or serving the Paris Agreement, to include consideration of the global stocktake in their work in 2025 and to report on the consideration of this matter by CMA 7 in connection with paragraph 186 of decision 1/CMA.5;
- Recommendations on how to take forward the implementation of the GST, specifically operational calls of the GST contained in paragraph 28 and 33;

Decisions

- **Option 1:** Draft of the CMA to be developed based on the annual synthesis report;
- **Option 2:** Decisions at COP 30/CMA 7 and COP 31/CMA 8;
- **Option 3:** Decisions at CMA 6, CMA 7, and CMA 8;
- **Option 4:** Decision at CMA 8;
- **Option 5:** Decision as outcome of each round of the UAE dialogue;
