Input of the Executive Committee of the WIM to the third Glasgow Dialogue

Background and mandate

COP 26 established the Glasgow Dialogue (GD) between Parties, relevant organizations and stakeholders to discuss the arrangements for the funding of activities to avert, minimize and address loss and damage associated with the adverse impacts of climate change. The Glasgow Dialogue takes place in the first sessional period of each year of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), starting at its 56th session and concluding at its 60th session (June 2024). The SBI was requested to organize the Glasgow Dialogue in cooperation with the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts (WIM ExCom).

The WIM ExCom provided input and supported the SBI Chair in the organization of the first two Glasgow Dialogues and wishes to also put forward its suggestions for the third GD for the consideration of the SBI Chair. The ExCom further encourages the SBI chair to seek inputs on the third GD from the Santiago network advisory board and the Fund for climate impact response board.

Proposed approach

The first and second GDs provided opportunities for Parties and non-party stakeholders to contribute to deliberations on funding arrangements in the context of averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage in an open, inclusive and non-prescriptive manner and managed to bring together a broad range of stakeholders with a variety of perspective and experiences.

The ExCom suggests that the third GD:

- Include both plenary and breakout groups that enable in-depth dialogue between Parties and stakeholders focused on solutions. Participants should be encouraged to avoid prepared statements from groups and rather provide targeted interventions. The run of show for the third GD could be:
 - A short opening plenary (1 hour) with presentations from the co-chairs of the Fund board, the Santiago network advisory board, and the ExCom as well as directions for breakout groups;
 - Breakout groups immediately following the opening plenary, with each breakout group discussing the same guiding questions proposed below;
 - A closing plenary for participants to reflect on the breakout group discussions and further respond to the guiding questions.
- Continue to be open, transparent and inclusive also for observers from outside Bonn who do not attend the SB session. In this regard, consider a GD that is easy to follow online and take appropriate steps for online participation in interactive sessions.
- Be solution-oriented and informative. The dialogue should reflect the new landscape of loss and damage support and what is needed to set it up for success. A key focus could be coordination, coherence and complementarity and inputs that could feed into ongoing processes under the Warsaw International Mechanism Executive Committee, the Santiago network, and Fund for climate impact response.

- Be co-facilitated by the ExCom Co-Chairs, with breakouts and interactive sessions facilitated by members of the ExCom, Santiago Network advisory board, and Fund board and representatives from the funding arrangements listed in decision 5/CMA.5 and 1/CP.28.
- Have a shorter format. With plenary and breakout groups over 2 days (compared to 3 days in GD 1 and 2).

Proposed participants

To advance inclusivity and help connect the Glasgow Dialogue to ongoing work on loss and damage, the ExCom encourages proactive outreach to a broad range of participants. Particularly:

- All members of the expert groups of the ExCom, who are encouraged to share ongoing work on technical guides and knowledge products
- Organizations, bodies, networks and experts (OBNEs) of the Santiago network
- Representatives of the funding arrangements listed in decisions 5/CMA.5 and 1/CP.28, who are encouraged to share progress and updates in relation to the recommendations in 5/CMA.5 and 1/CP.28 Annex II

Proposed speakers

To enable in-depth dialogue, the ExCom suggests limiting the number of presentations and invited speakers. ExCom proposes presentations from:

- Co-chairs of the Fund for climate impact response board Co-chairs of the Santiago network advisory board
- Co-chairs of the ExCom

These speakers could provide an update on the work of their respective bodies, share their perspectives on how to enhance coherence and coordination, and pose questions to participants to help shape the dialogue to inform their work.

Proposed themes and Topics:

- Enhance coherence of and coordination across the loss and damage support architecture and the role of the funding arrangements in this context
- Progress and further recommendations on scaling up or enhancing existing and initiating a few funding arrangements for responding to loss and damage

Guiding Questions:

- What experiences have countries had to enhance coherence and coordination of activities relevant to loss and damage? What are lessons learned from these experiences?
- What type of technical support and capacity building would help build coherence and coordination at the national level? What technical assistance is needed to support the development of programmatic approaches to responding to loss and damage and access to the Fund for climate impact response?
- What are the roles of the different loss and damage bodies under the Paris Agreement and UNFCCC? How can these bodies effectively work together to ensure complementarity?

- What progress has been made since Dubai on the funding arrangements to assist developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change in responding to loss and damage? What further recommendations could enhance the implementation of the objectives of the new funding arrangements?
- Based on this discussion, what topics and questions should be addressed in the high-level dialogue (5/CMA.5 and 1/CP.28)?