

**Fifteenth meeting of the Adaptation Committee  
Bonn, Germany, 19 to 21 March 2019**

**Draft updated workplan of the Adaptation Committee 2019-2021**

**Recommended action by the Adaptation Committee**

The Adaptation Committee (AC), at its 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, will be invited to consider and adopt its updated workplan covering the years 2019-2021, now including the mandated tasks from COP24/CMA1.

## **1. Introduction and background**

1. The AC, at its 14<sup>th</sup> meeting, agreed on its flexible workplan for 2019-2021, which was subsequently welcomed by COP 24. COP 24 and CMA 1 decided on a range of new mandates for the AC, which the secretariat has tentatively included in the workplan. The draft updated workplan is contained in the annex, and for ease of reference these newly mandated activities are highlighted in yellow.
2. During its discussion of agenda items 5c) (Guidance to the Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change (NWP) and 7a) (Work of the NAP Taskforce) the AC will be invited to, inter alia, consider activities that could be led or supported by the NWP or the NAP Taskforce. This is also tentatively marked in the annex.

## **2. Next steps**

3. The AC will be invited to consider and adopt its updated flexible workplan.

## Annex: Flexible workplan of the Adaptation Committee for 2019-2021 with mandated tasks from COP24/CMA1 added (placement notional)

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### Activities

Objective	First half of 2019	Lead <sup>a</sup> / collaboration <sup>b</sup>	Second half of 2019	Lead/ collaboration	2020	Lead/ collaboration	2021	Lead/ collaboration
<i>Promoting overarching coherence</i>								
To promote the implementation of enhanced action on adaptation in a coherent manner under the Convention	Update map of mandates, workplans and decisions with adaptation relevance under the Convention and compare and analyse them to consider what actions may need to be, are being or will be undertaken by the AC or other constituted bodies under the Convention	Secretariat	Prepare the annual report of the AC to the COP through the subsidiary bodies	Secretariat	Update map of mandates, workplans and decisions with adaptation relevance under the Convention and compare and analyse them to consider what actions may need to be, are being or will be undertaken by the AC or other constituted bodies under the Convention	Secretariat	Update map of mandates, workplans and decisions with adaptation relevance under the Convention and compare and analyse them to consider what actions may need to be, are being or will be undertaken by the AC or other constituted bodies under the Convention	Secretariat
					Prepare the annual report of the AC to the COP through the subsidiary bodies		Prepare the annual report of the AC to the COP through the subsidiary bodies	
	Participate, as mandated or if invited and prioritized, in events of other constituted bodies or workstreams under the Convention	AC	Participate, as mandated or if invited and prioritized, in events of other constituted bodies or workstreams under the Convention	AC	Participate, as mandated or if invited and prioritized, in events of other constituted bodies or workstreams under the Convention	AC	Participate, as mandated or if invited and prioritized, in events of other constituted bodies or workstreams under the Convention	AC
	<b>COP 24</b> outcomes:							



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(10/CP.24, para 3 and annex para 1(e))			recommendations in its annual report on enhancing collaboration and promoting coherence and synergies with a view to addressing Parties' evolving adaptation-related needs  (11/CMA.1, para 6)		for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support;  (11/CMA.1, paras 35 and 36)		(9/CMA.1, para 15)  CMA1 invited the relevant constituted bodies and forums and other institutional arrangements under or serving the Paris Agreement and/or the Convention (footnote including the Adaptation Committee) to prepare for the technical assessment, with the assistance of the secretariat, synthesis reports on the information identified in paragraph 36 below* in their areas of expertise;  (19/CMA.1, para 24)	AC, Secretariat

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	First half of 2019	Lead <sup>a</sup> / collaboration <sup>b</sup>	Second half of 2019	Lead/ collaboration	2020	Lead/ collaboration	2021	Lead/ collaboration
To provide advice on the delivery of NWP mandates that relate to the work programmes of constituted bodies under the Convention, and on opportunities to align efforts with relevant bodies, workstreams and institutional arrangements <sup>c, d</sup>	Provide advice on themes for the NWP Focal Point Forum that will contribute to the priority activities	AC, secretariat, NWP			Provide advice on themes for the NWP Focal Point Forum that will contribute to the priority activities	AC, secretariat, NWP	Provide advice on themes for the NWP Focal Point Forum that will contribute to the priority activities	AC, secretariat, NWP
To incorporate gender as a cross-cutting consideration into all AC activities <sup>e</sup>	Prepare a concept note assessing how best to incorporate gender considerations into adaptation action and the AC workplan activities	AC, secretariat, women and gender constituency, <b>NAP TF to contribute</b>	Develop a plan for enhancing consideration of gender in adaptation action and the AC workplan activities	AC, secretariat, women and gender constituency			Evaluate progress in incorporating gender considerations into adaptation action and the AC workplan activities	AC, secretariat, women and gender constituency <b>NAP TF to contribute</b>
To continue to explore the linkages between climate change adaptation under the Convention, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk	Consider undertaking additional activities related to the linkages between climate change adaptation under the Convention, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sendai Framework	AC, UNISDR, UNSD						

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Reduction 2015–2030								
<i>Workstream A: Providing technical support and guidance to Parties on adaptation action</i>								
To provide guidance to Parties on planning and implementing adaptation action			Prepare a technical paper on countries' needs and solutions in relation to accessing, developing and using data systems for planning and implementing adaptation action	AC, secretariat, LEG, NWP, NAP Global Network, GCOS, WMO, GFCS, IPCC, WCRP	Prepare a technical paper on connecting short-, medium- and long-term adaptation planning at the national and subnational level	AC, secretariat, LEG, NWP, others		
				NAP TF to contribute		NAP TF to contribute		
	Develop interessionally (before AC 15) the 2019–2021 workplan for the NAP task force	NAP task force, secretariat						
	COP24 requested the AC, through its task force on national adaptation plans and within its existing mandate and workplan, to consider gaps and needs that have been identified through relevant work of the LEG and the Adaptation Committee and how to address them, and	NAP TF						

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	include relevant information thereon in its annual report for 2019; (8/CP.24, para. 18)							
To share experience and lessons learned from developing and implementing monitoring and evaluation systems			Organize an event for sharing existing knowledge on and tools for monitoring and evaluation	NWP AC, secretariat, Input NAP TF	Prepare a technical paper featuring case studies on the development and application of monitoring and evaluation systems at the national and subnational level, including consideration of the value of monitoring and evaluation systems, existing barriers and opportunities to overcome them	NWP AC, secretariat NAP TF to contribute		
							Prepare a technical paper on useful information and methodologies for assessing progress in enhancing adaptive capacity, strengthening resilience and reducing vulnerability to climate change <sup>f</sup>	
To enhance the provision of technical support to developing country Parties for	Prepare a scoping note for the information document to be prepared later in 2019	AC, secretariat	Prepare an information document on linkages between	Secretariat			Prepare an information document on existing reporting guidelines and opportunities for	AC, LEG, NAP Global Network, others

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adaptation action in a coherent manner			mitigation and adaptation				enhancing coherence of reporting	
	COP 24 outcomes:				CMA 1 requests the AC, in collaboration with the LEG, partner organizations of the Nairobi work programme, users and developers of relevant methodologies, including academia and the private sector, to develop by June 2020 and to regularly update an inventory of relevant methodologies for assessing adaptation needs, including needs related to action, finance, capacity-building and to make the information available on the	NWP Input NAP TF	CMA 1 requests the AC, with the engagement of the IPCC WG II, as appropriate, to prepare, drawing on the inventory and the February 2021 submissions, a technical paper on methodologies for assessing adaptation needs and their application, as well as on the related gaps, good practices, lessons learned and guidelines, for consideration and further guidance by the SBSTA at its fifty-seventh session (November 2022) in the context of its	AC and NWP



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					adaptation knowledge portal (11/CMA1, para.15)		consideration of the report of the AC (11/CMA1, para.17)	
<i>Workstream B: Providing technical support and guidance to Parties on means of implementation</i>								
To provide guidance with a view to enhancing the provision of financial support for adaptation action, including for the process to formulate and implement NAPs			Provide input to the SCF for the preparation of the draft decisions on guidance to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism	AC, secretariat, SCF	Provide input to the SCF for the preparation of the draft decisions on guidance to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism	AC, secretariat, SCF	Provide input to the SCF for the preparation of the draft decisions on guidance to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism	AC, secretariat, SCF
	Explore opportunities for enhanced interaction with the SCF						Update the 2015 thematic report on navigating the landscape of support for the process to formulate and implement NAPs	AC, secretariat NAP TF to contribute
To strengthen engagement with the GCF and other financing institutions under the Convention in order to more effectively support the implementation of adaptation			Prepare a scoping note for the technical paper to be produced in 2020	AC, secretariat	Prepare a technical paper on national experience in implementing adaptation action as a result of accessing financial flows, in particular from the GCF and other financial	GCF, GEF, AF, others Input NAP TF	Disseminate the findings of the technical paper prepared in 2020 at relevant events and online in a user-friendly format	Secretariat

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action, plans and strategies					institutions under the Convention			
To strengthen engagement with the private sector on mobilizing financial resources for adaptation action			Follow up on the private sector workshop	AC, secretariat, organizations				
To provide guidance with a view to enhancing the provision of technological support for adaptation action	Explore opportunities for enhanced interaction with the TEC and the CTCN	AC, secretariat, TEC, CTCN			Prepare a scoping note for the technical paper to be produced in 2021	AC, secretariat, NWP, TEC, CTCN	Prepare a technical paper on the application of technologies for an adaptation priority topic to be determined	AC, secretariat, NWP, TEC, CTCN, <b>NAP TF to contribute</b>
To provide guidance with a view to enhancing capacity-building for adaptation action	Explore opportunities for enhanced interaction with the PCCB	AC, secretariat, PCCB	Prepare a joint concept note on the event to take place in 2020	AC, secretariat, PCCB, women and gender constituency	Organize and hold an event on identifying gaps and solutions related to incorporating gender considerations into adaptation planning and implementation	AC, secretariat, PCCB, women and gender constituency		
	Invite submissions from Parties on their capacity gaps in accessing adaptation funding, including their experience, successes and remaining challenges	<b>AC, secretariat, NAP TF input to guiding questions</b>	Prepare an information document on Parties' capacity gaps in accessing adaptation funding and on their successes and challenges in	<b>AC, secretariat, NAP TF input</b>				

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			building in-country capacity					
<i>Workstream C: Awareness-raising, outreach and information-sharing</i>								
11 of 16	To raise awareness among all relevant stakeholders and increase policy support for adaptation, particularly the NAP process	Produce biannually, following each session of the subsidiary bodies, the Adaptation Finance Bulletin	Secretariat, GCF, AF, GEF, LDCF, Convention bodies, organizations outside the Convention		Produce biannually, following each negotiating session, an Adaptation Finance Bulletin	Secretariat, GCF, AF, GEF, LDCF, Convention bodies, organizations outside the Convention	Produce biannually, following each negotiating session, an Adaptation Finance Bulletin	Secretariat, GCF, AF, GEF, LDCF, Convention bodies, organizations outside the Convention
		Contribute to the NWP newsletter, including by suggesting topics such as North–South and South–South cooperation, use of indigenous and local knowledge, capacity-building, etc.	Secretariat, GCF, AF, GEF, LDCF, Convention bodies, organizations outside the Convention		Contribute to the NWP newsletter, including by suggesting topics such as North–South and South–South cooperation, use of indigenous and local knowledge, capacity-building, etc.	Secretariat, GCF, AF, GEF, LDCF, Convention bodies, organizations outside the Convention	Contribute to the NWP newsletter, including by suggesting topics such as North–South and South–South cooperation, use of indigenous and local knowledge, capacity-building, etc.	Secretariat, GCF, AF, GEF, LDCF, Convention bodies, organizations outside the Convention
		Consider collaborative work with the Global Commission on Adaptation	Global Commission on Adaptation					
		Participate, if invited and prioritized, in events organized by other organizations, particularly events that provide access to new audiences	AC volunteers	Participate, if invited and prioritized, in events organized by other organizations, particularly events	AC volunteers	Participate, if invited and prioritized, in events organized by other organizations, particularly events that provide access to new audiences	AC volunteers	Participate, if invited and prioritized, in events organized by other organizations, particularly events that provide access to new audiences

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			that provide access to new audiences					
	Prepare a scoping note for the report to be prepared later in 2019	Secretariat, Convention bodies and mechanisms, partners outside the Convention, others	Prepare a report on the state of adaptation under the Convention	Secretariat, Convention bodies and mechanisms, partners outside the Convention, others				
To promote exchange of information, particularly in relation to the most vulnerable people, sectors and regions, and strengthen interaction between Parties and stakeholders at all levels by organizing focused events	Organize once a year an Adaptation Forum in conjunction with other adaptation-related events	Forum working group, NWP, partners outside the Convention			Organize once a year an Adaptation Forum in conjunction with other adaptation-related events	Forum working group, NWP, partners outside the Convention	Organize once a year an Adaptation Forum in conjunction with other adaptation-related events	Forum working group, NWP, partners outside the Convention
	Contribute to the organization and delivery of the annual NAP Expo <sup>c</sup>	NAP task force, LEG, others			Contribute to the organization and delivery of the annual NAP Expo	NAP task force, LEG, others	Contribute to the organization and delivery of the annual NAP Expo	NAP task force, LEG, others
To improve the publication and dissemination of	Review and update the communications plan to also include a social	AC, secretariat					Evaluate the communication plan and the media strategy	AC, secretariat

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results, good practices and lessons learned	media strategy and integrate it into the existing AC workplan							
	Provide advice in relation to the publication of AC products on the adaptation knowledge portal <sup>h</sup>	AC, secretariat, NWP		Provide advice in relation to the publication of AC products on the adaptation knowledge portal	AC, secretariat, NWP	Provide advice in relation to the publication of AC products on the adaptation knowledge portal	AC, secretariat, NWP	
	Produce a calendar of adaptation-related events and invite adaptation stakeholders to share their events with the AC on an ongoing basis	NWP, AC, other stakeholders		Produce a calendar of adaptation-related events and invite adaptation stakeholders to share their events with the AC on an ongoing basis	NWP, AC, other stakeholders	Produce a calendar of adaptation-related events and invite adaptation stakeholders to share their events with the AC on an ongoing basis	NWP, AC, other stakeholders	
	<i>Placeholder for activities in response to COP 24 outcomes</i>							
	COP24 outcomes			CMA 1 requested the secretariat, under the guidance of the AC and the LEG and in collaboration with relevant stakeholders, to prepare synthesis reports every two years starting in 2020 on specific	NWP			

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					adaptation themes, focusing on relevant lessons learned and good practices in developing country Parties (11 CMA.1, para 13)			
<i>Workstream D: Technical examination process on adaptation</i>								
To identify concrete opportunities for strengthening resilience, reducing vulnerability and enhancing understanding and implementation of adaptation action	Conduct the 2019 TEP-A, including associated TEMs, and prepare a concept note, <sup>i</sup> including the process of identifying follow-up actions and building ownership	TEP-A working group, expert organizations	Prepare a technical paper on opportunities to enhance adaptation action, on the basis of the results of the TEM-As, <sup>j</sup> to identify short-term opportunities to enhance adaptation action and support their implementation	Secretariat	Conduct the 2020 TEP-A, including associated TEMs, and prepare a concept note and a technical paper	TEP-A working group, expert organizations		
	Arrange the technology needed for virtual participation in TEMs	Secretariat						
	Participate, as invited and feasible, in regional TEMs organized by other organizations	AC volunteers, organizations	Participate, as invited and feasible, in regional TEMs	AC volunteers, organizations	Participate, as invited and feasible, in regional TEMs organized by other organizations	AC volunteers, organizations		

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		outside the Convention	organized by other organizations	outside the Convention		outside the Convention		

*Abbreviations:* AC = Adaptation Committee, COP = Conference of the Parties, CTCN = Climate Technology Centre and Network, GCF = Green Climate Fund, GCOS = Global Climate Observing System, GEF = Global Environment Facility, GFCS = Global Framework for Climate Services, IPCC = Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, LDCF = Least Developed Countries Fund, LEG = Least Developed Countries Expert Group, NAP = national adaptation plan, NWP = Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change, PCCB = Paris Committee on Capacity-building, SCF = Standing Committee on Finance, TEC = Technology Executive Committee, TEM = technical expert meeting, TEM-A = technical expert meeting on adaptation, TEP-A = technical examination process on adaptation, UNISDR = United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction, UNSD = United Nations Statistical Division, WCRP = World Climate Research Programme, WMO = World Meteorological Organization.

<sup>a</sup> Leading the implementation of activities **as considered and agreed for consideration and agreement** by the AC.

<sup>b</sup> In developing each of the workstreams and associated activities in its workplan, the AC is aiming to strengthen engagement and collaboration with institutions, organizations, frameworks, networks and centres under and outside the Convention, including those at the intergovernmental, regional and national level, and through them, the subnational level, where appropriate, and relevant international agreements, with respect to their distinct mandate, tasks, goals and ways of work, in order to enhance implementation of adaptation action and the provision of support to developing country Parties.

<sup>c</sup> See document FCCC/SBSTA/2018/4, paragraph 19.

<sup>d</sup> Pending COP approval.

<sup>e</sup> See decision 3/CP.23.

<sup>f</sup> As may be requested by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and subject to its relevant decisions and guidance.

<sup>g</sup> See document FCCC/SBI/2017/19, paragraph 73.

<sup>h</sup> See document FCCC/SBSTA/2018/4, paragraph 19.

<sup>i</sup> As per decision 13/CP.23, this activity should be conducted on the basis of the assessment of the TEP-A in November 2017 towards improving its effectiveness.

<sup>j</sup> As per decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 129(b).

4. Paragraph 36. *Also decides* that the sources of input for the global stocktake will consider information at a collective level on:

- a) The state of greenhouse gas emissions by sources and removals by sinks and mitigation efforts undertaken by Parties, including the information referred to in Article 13, paragraph 7(a), and Article 4, paragraphs 7, 15 and 19, of the Paris Agreement;
  - b) The overall effect of their nationally determined contributions and overall progress made by Parties towards the implementation of their nationally determined contributions, including the information referred to in Article 13, paragraph 7(b), of the Paris Agreement;
  - c) The state of adaptation efforts, support, experience and priorities, including the information referred to in Article 7, paragraphs 2, 10, 11 and 14, of the Paris Agreement, and the reports referred to in Article 13, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement;
  - d) The finance flows, including the information referred to in Article 2, paragraph 1(c), and means of implementation and support and mobilization and provision of support, including the information referred to in Article 9, paragraphs 4 and 6, Article 10, paragraph 6, Article 11, paragraph 3, and Article 13, in particular paragraphs 9 and 10, of the Paris Agreement. This should include information from the latest biennial assessment and overview of climate finance flows of the Standing Committee on Finance;
  - e) Efforts to enhance understanding, action and support, on a cooperative and facilitative basis, related to averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change;
  - f) Barriers and challenges, including finance, technology and capacity-building gaps faced by developing countries;
  - g) Good practices, experience and potential opportunities to enhance international cooperation on mitigation and adaptation and to increase support under Article 13, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement;
  - h) Fairness considerations, including equity, as communicated by Parties in their nationally determined contributions.
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