

Seventeenth meeting of the Adaptation Committee Bonn, Germany, 24 to 27 March 2020

Synthesis report by the Adaptation Committee on the information identified in paragraph 36 of decision 19/CMA.1: Overview of mandates and context

Recommended action by the Adaptation Committee

The Adaptation Committee (AC), at its 17th meeting, may wish to consider the information included in this document and agree on next steps, as appropriate. The AC is invited to take into account the information contained in the documents prepared for AC 17 agenda items 6a. Global Goal on Adaptation, 6b Adaptation Communications, and 6.d Modalities for recognizing the adaptation efforts of developing country Parties when considering this note.

1. Adaptation in the Global Stocktake

1. As per Article 14, paragraph 1, of the Paris Agreement, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) shall periodically take stock of the implementation of the Paris Agreement to assess the collective progress towards achieving the purpose of the Agreement and its long-term goals, and shall do so in a comprehensive and facilitative manner, considering mitigation, adaptation and the means of implementation and support, and in the light of equity and the best available science.
2. Article 7, paragraph 14 further stipulates that the global stocktake shall, inter alia:
 - a) Recognize adaptation efforts of developing country Parties;
 - b) Enhance the implementation of adaptation action taking into account the adaptation communication referred to in Article 7, paragraph 10;
 - c) Review the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support provided for adaptation; and
 - d) Review the overall progress made in achieving the global goal on adaptation referred to in Article 7, paragraph 1.
3. The CMA in its decision 19/CMA.1 decided that the global stocktake will consist of the following components:
 - a) **Information collection and preparation**, focusing on gathering, compiling and synthesizing information and preparing for conducting the technical assessment (CMA 2021 to June 2023);
 - b) **Technical assessment**, focusing on taking stock of the implementation of the Paris Agreement to assess the collective progress towards achieving the purpose and long-term goals of the Paris Agreement, as well as opportunities for enhanced action and support to achieve its purpose and goals (June 2022 to June 2023);
 - c) **Consideration of outputs**, focusing on discussing the implications of the findings of the technical assessment with a view to achieving the outcome of the global stocktake of informing Parties in updating and enhancing, in a nationally determined manner, their actions and support, in

accordance with relevant provisions of the Paris Agreement, as well as in enhancing international cooperation for climate action (CMA 2023).

4. The CMA requested the Chairs of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to develop guiding questions for all components of the global stocktake, including specific thematic and cross-cutting questions, one session of the subsidiary bodies prior to the relevant activities under the global stocktake being carried out.

5. As part of the information collection and preparation, the CMA is requesting the preparation of a number of synthesis reports, including on adaptation by the secretariat, the Adaptation Committee and other constituted bodies¹ to be completed in February/March 2022, three months prior to the commencement of the technical assessment. The scope and sources of input for each report are shown in the table below:

Author	<i>Secretariat, under the guidance of the co-facilitators</i>	<i>Adaptation Committee, with the assistance of the secretariat</i>
Mandate for report	Decisions 19/CMA.1, para 23(b) and 36(b) as well as 11/CMA.1, paras 9 and 31	Decision 19/CMA.1, para 24 and 36
Scope of report	Synthesis report on: The state of adaptation efforts, experience, priorities; Adaptation efforts of developing country Parties; An assessment of the support needs for adaptation of developing country Parties.	Synthesis report on the information identified in paragraph 36 in its area of expertise
Sources of input for report	Most recent information identified in para 36(b): 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 Most recent documents that may contain adaptation information, which may include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adaptation communications, • National adaptation plans, • National communications, • Nationally determined contributions, 	Para 36 (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; (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;

¹ Including the Least Developed Country Expert Group, the Technology Executive Committee, the Standing Committee on Finance, the Paris Committee on Capacity-building, the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts, the Consultative Group of Experts, the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures, and the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform Facilitative Working Group.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other relevant reports prepared under the transparency framework; • Reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and other relevant scientific bodies; • Report by the Standing Committee on Finance every four years starting in 2020 on the the determination of the needs of developing country Parties related to implementing the Convention and the Paris Agreement 	(h) Fairness considerations, including equity, as communicated by Parties in their nationally determined contributions.
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6. The Adaptation Committee is also given the opportunity to organize a webinar, as author of synthesis report, prior to the start of the technical assessment to clarify assumptions and methodology used when preparing its report (para 21) and to present its findings at the technical dialogues and respond to any questions that may ensue (para 30).
7. In addition to the above synthesis reports, sources of input for the global stocktake include:
- a) Reports and communications from Parties, in particular those submitted under the Paris Agreement and the Convention;
 - b) The latest reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change;
 - c) Reports of the subsidiary bodies;
 - d) Reports from relevant constituted bodies and forums and other institutional arrangements under or serving the Paris Agreement and/or the Convention;
 - e) Relevant reports from United Nations agencies and other international organizations, which should be supportive of the UNFCCC process;
 - f) Voluntary submissions from Parties, including on inputs to inform equity considerations under the global stocktake;
 - g) Relevant reports from regional groups and institutions;
 - h) Submissions from non-Party stakeholders and UNFCCC observer organizations.

2. Next steps

8. The AC may wish to:
- a) Consider the scope of its synthesis report;
 - b) Consider liaising with the LEG, the ExCom, LCIPP, SCF, TEC and PCCB to ensure complementarity of its synthesis report;
 - c) Request the secretariat to prepare, under the guidance of the AC, an annotated outline by AC 18 (August/September 2020), a first draft by AC 19 (spring 2021), a second draft by AC 20 (fall 2021) and a final draft by February 2022.