

18th meeting of the Adaptation Committee

Agenda item 5a

Revised draft technical paper on approaches to reviewing the overall progress made in achieving the global goal on adaptation

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I. Introduction and background

- ❖ **2015 Paris Agreement, Art.7.1:** global goal on adaptation of enhancing adaptive capacity, strengthening resilience and reducing vulnerability to climate change, with a view to contributing to sustainable development and ensuring an adequate response in the context of the goal of limiting temperature increase
- ❖ **CMA Madrid 2019:** Request to AC to consider approaches to reviewing the overall progress made in achieving the global goal on adaptation and to reflect the outcome of this consideration in its 2021 annual report
- ❖ **2019-2021 AC workplan:** Preparation of a technical paper on useful information and methodologies for assessing progress in enhancing adaptive capacity, strengthening resilience and reducing vulnerability to climate change, initially planned for 2021



II. Overview

❖ Revised draft technical paper responds to AC workplan and the CMA request and includes:

1. Analysis of the **scientific literature**, including of approaches for assessing collective progress on adaptation
2. Overview of **national approaches**
3. **Summary of spectrum of approaches**

- Basic quantitative indicators (e.g. number of NAPs submitted, number of countries reporting on vulnerability assessments)
- Using existing data and indicators from the SDGs, Sendai Framework, or other relevant international sources
- Qualitative synthesis of Party inputs
- Informal knowledge exchange
- Modifying existing data and indicators from the SDGs, Sendai Framework, or other relevant international sources
- Creating, distributing, and analyzing voluntary questionnaires or self-assessments
- Defining, negotiating, and/or implementing a standardized suite of indicators
- Conducting and aggregating in-depth evaluative proximity-to-target analyses for each country



Current challenges
(methodological,
empirical, political, and
other)



III. Next steps

- ❖ The AC may wish to:
 - ❖ Further reflect on:
 - ❖ The **merits and limitations of the various potential approaches** to assessing the global goal on adaptation under the global stocktake;
 - ❖ The **types of data and information** that countries will need to collect in order to assess and report on adaptation progress
 - ❖ Discuss **ways to reflect the outcome of its consideration** of approaches to reviewing the overall progress made in achieving the global goal on adaptation **in its 2021 annual report.**

