

18th meeting of the Adaptation Committee

Agenda item 5(b)

Adaptation Communications: Draft supplementary guidance for voluntary use by Parties in communicating adaptation information

9-12 November 2020



I: Approach

❖ **Overview of:**

- Adaptation Communications guidelines
- Other existing related guidance
- Information and knowledge tools that can facilitate Adaptation Communications preparation

❖ **Suggestions for:**

- How to find and apply the guidance for Adaptation Communications
How to navigate linkages between Adaptation Communications vis-à-vis other arrangements
- Where to find further information when preparing information

❖ **Value-added:**

- Enhance quality of information
- Reduce duplications and burdens
- Benefit from synergies between Adaptation Communications and other processes



II: Structure

Section	Content and purpose
1. Introduction	
PART I: GUIDANCE RELEVANT FOR THE ADAPTATION COMMUNICATIONS	
2. Existing guidance for the ADCOM in the Paris Agreement and CMA decisions	Overview of all provisions of Paris Agreement and CMA decisions referring to ADCOMs; helps reader understand the entirety of the guidance and find source documents
3. Guidelines and considerations when submitting an ADCOM as a component of, or in conjunction with, other communications and/or documents	Shows how “as appropriate, as a component of or in conjunction with” can be translated into practice vis-à-vis existing guidance
3.1. Submitting the ADCOM „as appropriate, as a component of, or in conjunction with, other communications and/or documents“	Helps reader understand the three possibilities for submitting an ADCOM ('conjunction', 'component', or independent)
3.2. Scope of, and synergies with, existing guidelines for the main vehicle documents	Provides a summary of existing guidance for NAPs, NDCs, NCs and BTRs ; describes implications, synergies and considerations related to choice of vehicle
4. Considerations and observations on part I	Suggestions for considering linkages , maximizing synergies between the ADCOM and other arrangements, and identifying its specific “value-added”
[PART II][ANNEX]: GUIDANCE RELEVANT FOR THE ADAPTATION COMMUNICATIONS][ANNEX]	
<i>(Structured along the nine elements of annex of 9/CMA.1)</i>	For each elements, list tools (e.g. studies, handbooks and methodologies) that can facilitate the preparation of that element and enhance its quality



III. Questions for consideration

- Are all the necessary components in the new structure? Are major themes or issues missing?
- Does the new draft provide an adequate overview of the **Adaptation communications** guidance, as well as of the linkages and considerations that are relevant when submitting together with a vehicle document?
- The current guidance is conceptual and focused on linkages and the international communication aspects. Is this the correct focus? Or should there be more focus on aspects that help with national-level information preparation processes?

