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Agenda item 5c

Methodologies for assessing adaptation needs

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I. Introduction and background

- CMA mandate: AC to prepare technical paper on methodologies for assessing adaptation needs.
- Two clearly defined sources of inputs
 - 1. Inventory of relevant methodologies
 - 2. Submissions



II. Overview

- Guiding questions for submissions already discussed at AC 17 and at internal stocktake in August
- Questions intended to maximize the usefulness of the submissions to inform the technical paper.
- Guiding questions shown in section 2 of document AC18/INFO/5C



The AC will be invited to:

- Approve the guiding questions for the submissions
- Request the secretariat to launch the call accordingly



Guiding questions

Parties and organizations will be free to respond as appropriate (not all questions have to be answered)

- 1. Existing methodologies: What concrete methodologies, guidelines and tools does your country/organization use to assess adaptation needs? For each, please specify, as applicable:
- Is it open source or proprietary? How and where can it be accessed?
- Is it contained in the inventory on the Adaptation Knowledge Portal?
- Do you use the inventory on the Adaptation Knowledge Portal and how could it be improved?
- What is needed to apply it (e.g. IT equipment, data, human resources, time investment)?
- What is it used for (e.g. stage in the adaptation policy cycle, geographical scale, sector)?
- What are the strengths and weaknesses?

2. Selection/application:

- How does your country/organization select and apply the most suitable methodology for its needs?
- Which of the AC guiding principles and possibly others for the application of methodologies do you consider useful?

3. Gaps, good practices and lessons learned:

- In your country's/organizations' experience, what gaps, good practices and lessons learned exist in terms of developing methodologies for assessing adaptation needs?
- In your country's/organizations' experience, what gaps, good practices and lessons learned exist in terms of applying methodologies for assessing adaptation needs?

4. Case studies: Please provide one or two case studies that could be useful to other countries and that could be replicated. Case studies on transboundary measures are also welcome.

