

2022 dialogue with adaptation-related constituted bodies: strengthening coherence and collaboration in addressing adaptation

Concept note

Recommended action by the Adaptation Committee

The Adaptation Committee (AC), at its 21st meeting, will be invited to consider the concept note and provide guidance on the timing and topic(s) for the 2022 dialogue.

1. Mandate

1. As part of its mandate to promote the implementation of adaptation action under the Convention in a coherent manner in line with the Cancun Adaptation Framework and the Paris Agreement, the Adaptation Committee (AC), as per its workplan for 2022–2024, will hold an annual dialogue with adaptation-related constituted bodies to discuss ways of further strengthening coherence and collaboration in addressing adaptation.

2. Objective

2. The dialogue will offer a space for constituted bodies to exchange information on respective activities of common interest, and to identify potential areas of coordination, synergy and collaboration.

3. Topics

3. Mandates from the COP and the CMA to the constituted bodies at times contain implicit and explicit linkages in certain areas among the bodies - often by topics or by the overall intended outcomes. Discussing the different perspectives on these key areas in one common forum will be beneficial to enabling coherence and collaboration, as appropriate, among the constituted bodies. Some of these common areas have been identified below. The AC may wish to select one (or more) topics from the list below for its 2022 dialogue:

- a) **Capacity-building for adaptation.** All adaptation-related constituted bodies provide capacity building on adaptation, each guided by their respective mandates and using a variety of different modalities. To name but a few, this includes the AC's work on supplementary guidance for adaptation communications and upcoming dialogues at SB 58 and SB 60 on progress in closing capacity gaps identified in accessing adaptation funding; the LEG's technical guidance and support for NAPs including technical guidelines, training, and direct country support; the PCCB's capacity-building hubs during the sessions of the COP; joint bulletins issued by the AFB, the CTCN and the PCCB on providers of readiness and capacity-building support for adaptation; the TEC's technology days, including one on scaling up integrated approaches to strengthening coastal and ocean adaptation in countries; the SCF's forum on finance for nature-based solutions; the Excom's RISK TALK platform for faster and better exchange on risk transfer solutions; and the LCIPP

FWG's work on knowledge and capacity for engagement of local communities and indigenous peoples. The discussion in the dialogue could focus on priority adaptation needs and ways for the constituted bodies to coordinate efforts in addressing those.

- b) **Supporting developing countries in formulating and implementing national adaptation plans (NAPs).** Several mandates have been directed to constituted bodies to support the process to formulate and implement NAPs.¹ COP 25 invited constituted bodies and other organizations to provide information to the AC and the LEG on activities undertaken to address **gaps and needs** related to the process to formulate and implement NAPs. The discussion in the dialogue could broadly focus on ways to strengthen collaboration in respective activities related to NAPs. In more detail, the exchange could reflect on priority gaps and needs and take stock of how the constituted bodies are addressing the gaps and needs. The dialogue could further exchange ideas on how the bodies can further coordinate, and how other stakeholders including organizations can contribute towards addressing the gaps and needs.
- c) **Lessons learned, including gaps in preparing synthesis reports for the technical phase of the first global stocktake.** As part of the information collection and preparation phase of the global stocktake, the CMA invited or requested the preparation of a total of 13 synthesis reports, to be prepared by the various constituted bodies and the secretariat, respectively. These reports are to be completed three months prior to the commencement of the technical assessment. With the technical assessment phase of the first global stocktake starting in June 2022, the first set of reports is already being finalized. A number of reports relate to adaptation, and therefore a dialogue of all adaptation-related constituted bodies would be useful to take stock of and learn from the experiences made during the preparation phase of these reports. This would serve to identify potential shortcomings and optimize the process for the second global stocktake.
- d) **Coordinating communication and outreach activities.** Constituted bodies are undertaking various efforts to enhance communication and outreach on work related to their mandates, and of their activities and achievements. The AC in particular has established a communication strategy and plan to enhance the outreach of its work and products. The dialogues could explore synergies and ways to create complementarities in the communication efforts of the bodies.

4. Timing

4. The dialogue could be held in conjunction with the UNFCCC sessions in June 2022 or intersessionally.

5. Participants

5. The dialogue will be attended by members of the following constituted bodies:
 - a) Adaptation Committee;
 - b) Consultative Group of Experts;
 - c) Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Addressing Loss and Damage;
 - d) Facilitative Working Group of the Local Communities and Indigenous People's Platform;
 - e) Least Developed Countries Expert Group;
 - f) Paris Committee on Capacity Building;
 - g) Standing Committee on Finance;
 - h) Technology Executive Committee.

¹ Including decisions 5/CP.17, paras. 13, 17, 30 and 34; 3/CP.20, para. 11; 4/CP.21, para. 10; 6/CP.22, para. 7; 8/CP.24, paras. 17 and 18; and 7/CP.25, para. 3.

6. Next steps

6. The AC may wish to consider the concept note and decide on the timing and topic(s) for the 2022 dialogue.

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