

22nd meeting of the Adaptation Committee

Agenda item 5c



United Nations
Climate Change
Adaptation Committee

Adaptation Forum

Draft concept note on the 2023 Forum

6-9 September 2022

I. Introduction and background

- Annual Adaptation Forums since 2013. **Goal:** raising the profile of adaptation globally
- 2022-2024 flexible workplan: AC agreed to hold its yearly Adaptation Forum to **discuss and showcase Parties' progress in implementing adaptation action**
- AC21: AC agreed on the broad topic for 2022 as “**Adaptation Stocktake**”
- The AC's Co-Chairs worked with the secretariat intersessionally and recommended holding the Forum in **2023** to ensure sufficient time for planning
- The AC requested the secretariat, under the guidance of the Co-Chairs, to develop a **concept note** for the Forum: AC22/CN/5C

II. Scope

- **Information** from the GST AC SYR and the SYR on the state of adaptation efforts, experiences and priorities
- **Aims:**
 - Pinpoint present-day challenges and opportunities critical to enabling transformational adaptation
 - Identify best practices and modes of thinking relevant to adaptation, and
 - Further learning about the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support, considering the work of the GGA
- Possible theme: **“Learning from the past to build a resilient future”**

III. Logistics

- **Timing:** early months of 2023 in Bonn, building on the momentum from COP 27
- **Programme:** navigating the state of adaptation in the past, present and future; examples of transformational adaptation; and future-thinking events, drawing experts from academia, public and private sectors
- **Technical format:** hybrid format, events to be livestreamed to increase accessibility to a wider range of audiences. Venue that allows live streaming and closer-knit roundtable discussions. 5 sessions, 1-1.5 h each

IV. Outcomes

- **Raising the profile of adaptation globally, building off previous AAFs' aim to engage a broad range of stakeholders to enhance understanding on the current and future state of adaptation, and to inspire transformational change**
- **Enhance the reach of the Adaptation Committee**
- **Insights on viewership, online reach and engagement on livestreaming can be generated and form a basis to understand and expand outreach**
- **Outcomes and snippets of the events and discussions can be developed into outreach material such as videos and can inform policy briefs and the generation of summary reports**

V. Next steps

- The AC will be invited to consider the concept note and provide further guidance to the secretariat as needed