23rd meeting of the Adaptation Committee

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Adaptation Committee

Agenda item 8b

Adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support

State of play and way forward

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I. Introduction and background

- CMA 1 considered initial recommendations provided by the AC and the LEG on the methodologies for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness (A&E) of adaptation and support referred to in Article 7, para. 14 (c), of the Paris Agreement, and invited further technical work and submissions;
- AC and LEG, in collaboration with the SCF, were invited to continue compiling existing methodologies;
- AC and LEG, in collaboration with the SCF, have compiled existing methodologies into a background paper and established a joint working group (JWG) to consider the way forward on this mandate;
- The JWG has held four meetings so far; no meeting has been held since AC 22.

II. Overview

❖Progress made to date by the three bodies and the JWG

Methodologies collected	Two framings developed	Review criteria considered	Input to GST 1 discussed
• At various levels • From under and outside the Convention • For reviewing adaptation action and support	• Scope of the review • Context and sources of information	• Based on NAP guidelines, AGR, AR6 • For reviewing adaptation action and support	• Through AC, LEG, SCF reports • Through specific inputs to the GST TD

II. Overview (cont.)

❖Status of discussion on A&E of adaptation and support in other contexts

GST TD

- Submissions from Parties do not go much beyond of what the AC, LEG and SCF have found in their work to date
- During the TD discussions Parties have shared some additional criteria for reviewing adaptation effectiveness and some ideas on how to approach the global review
- Parties underlined the close linkages to the GGA and the importance of functioning M&E and reporting systems for the review

GGA

- CMA 4 agreed to develop a framework for the GGA which provides some initial direction towards potential review areas
- Discussions under the GGA work programme touched on targets, metrics, scales and the need for combining different methods when reviewing A&E and progress towards the GGA

OECD/UNEP

- A&E of adaptation featured prominently in the Sept 2022 OECD CCXG Global Forum and the 2022/2023 UNEP Perspectives Series
- Conceptual and operational aspects discussed in both contexts include the need for triangulation of methods, potential data sources and related challenges, scales, importance of widespread national MEL systems, and GST as learning process, among others

II. Overview (cont.)

- Communalities across the different contexts regarding the global review of A&E include:
  - The review of A&E will require a triangulation of methods, metrics and data (quantitative/qualitative; at various scales);
  - Taking into account the perspectives of various stakeholders is key;
  - The implementation of adaptation and the monitoring of respective outcomes needs to be accelerated in order to better inform the review of A&E;
  - Some common criteria for effective adaptation across scales are starting to emerge;
  - The GST should be seen and used as a platform for translating and linking different views and understandings of adequate and effective adaptation and for facilitating mutual learning.

III. Next steps

❖Overall question that the AC, LEG and SCF may wish to consider:

“What should be the overall outcome of their work to feed into GST 1?”

II. Next steps (cont.)

What	Who	When
Finalize revision of the background paper	Sec	April
Meeting of the JWG to discuss finalized background paper and planned webinar	JWG	Early May
Webinar to seek feedback on the work to date from wider audience	JWG	Late May
Engage with GST co-facilitators for channeling input to TD 1.3	AC, LEG, SCF	May
Prepare input to TD 1.3	Sec/JWG	Late May