

25th meeting of the Adaptation Committee



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Reflections on the outcomes of COP 28

*Initial draft input for discussion on the joint mandates
from paragraphs 44 and 45 of decision 2/CMA.5*

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I. Introduction and background

❖ In 2023, CMA 5 adopted the UAE Framework for Global Climate Resilience (*decision 2/CMA.5, para. 6*)

❖ CMA 5 further invited:

- the AC, in collaboration with the Consultative Group of Experts (CGE) and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG), to **support the implementation of the UAE Framework for Global Climate Resilience with technical guidance and training materials** thereon (*decision 2/CMA.5, para. 44*)
- the AC, in collaboration with the CGE and the LEG, to **develop recommendations on how to improve reporting on adaptation action and progress**, including with a view to informing the review and update, as appropriate, of the modalities, procedures and guidelines for the transparency framework for action and support referred to in Article 13 of the Paris Agreement contained in the annex to decision 18/CMA.1 and the review of the training course referred to in decision 9/CMA.4, paragraph 10 (*decision 2/CMA.5, para. 45*)

II. Initial discussions between the AC, CGE, and LEG

- ❖ The AC invited representatives of the CGE and the LEG to an initial conversation on the mandates, which took place on 27 February 2024
- ❖ During the call, representatives of the three bodies shared early reflections on analytical products that could inform this work and key steps that could structure the process moving forward. This input has informed the preparation of the information note. (AC25/INFO/5A)

Technical guidance and training materials (para. 44)



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III. Preliminary mapping of technical guidance and training materials

- ❖ During the call between the AC, CGE, and LEG, the secretariat was requested to prepare a preliminary mapping of existing technical guidance and training materials prepared by the three bodies for consideration at AC 25.
- ❖ The annex to document AC25/INFO/5A presents an **illustrative preliminary mapping for the purposes of seeking feedback** from the AC, the CGE and the LEG in terms of the types of information collected and the manner in which it is presented. It does not yet reflect an exhaustive list of relevant products of the AC, CGE, or LEG.

IV. Next steps – in relation to the technical guidance and training materials, the AC with the CGE and LEG may wish to...

- ❖ **Expand the mapping of existing technical guidance and training materials** relevant to the Framework and its targets and other themes, and prepare an analysis based on the mapping
 - First draft to be prepared in advance of SB 60 (June 2024)
- ❖ **Prepare a literature review** of academic and grey literature and national reports to identify technical guidance and training needs relevant to implementing the Framework
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- ❖ **Gather inputs from Parties and other stakeholders** about which types of technical guidance and training materials they particularly need in order to effectively implement the Framework
 - The bodies may wish to **convene an in-person session to gather inputs at SB 60 (June 2024)**, complemented by **virtual consultations and/or a survey throughout June to August 2024**
- ❖ **Prepare a strategy paper**, based on the preparatory work above, to **prioritize and plan the work ahead**
 - For consideration by the AC at AC 26, and by the CGE and the LEG during their meetings taking place in the autumn of 2024.

Recommendations to improve reporting (para. 45)



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V. Initial considerations on recommendations to improve reporting

- ❖ During the call between the AC, CGE, and LEG, the following process was proposed for arriving at the recommendations:
 - Examining existing reporting requirements and practices; followed by
 - Examining how well aligned existing requirements and practices are with new decisions (including the UAE Framework) to identify opportunities to improve reporting;
 - Examining whether reporting practices already take into account best available science or whether this should be addressed in the respective modalities, procedures and guidelines

V. Further considerations on recommendations to improve reporting

- ❖ The AC, in collaboration with the e CGE and the LEG, may wish to consider further criteria in their review of the existing reporting requirements to facilitate the identification of opportunities to improve reporting. E.g.:
 - Which **targets are addressed in existing guidelines** and what are the **gaps**
 - What **information is already reported** in existing instruments
 - How can reporting guidelines and practices be improved to **better inform future GSTs**
 - What **experiences constituted bodies can share** in relation to reporting on adaptation
 - How to **solicit additional information**
 - How to **use country profiles** to identify relevant reporting practices
 - How to **simplify or streamline reporting** to reduce the burden on developing countries

VI. Next steps – in relation to the recommendations to improve reporting, the AC with the CGE and LEG may wish to...

- ❖ Prepare, for consideration by **AC 26 (September 2024)**, a **mapping of existing reporting requirements and practices** under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, examining: which of the Framework's targets are already addressed in any of the existing reporting guidelines and which gaps exist; which qualitative and quantitative information on adaptation action and progress is already being reported in the existing reporting instruments;
- ❖ Prepare, by **AC 27 (March/April 2025)**, an **update of the mapping**, taking into account information contained in the **first Biennial Transparency Reports** due by the end of 2024, and an initial analysis of the findings that could inform the recommendations;
- ❖ Issue, **after AC 27**, a **call for submissions** from Parties, observers and other constituted bodies on experiences and recommendations on existing reporting instruments and requesting the secretariat to prepare a synthesis of submissions to inform an expert meeting
- ❖ Organize, **before AC 28 (September 2025)**, a **meeting of experts**, including representatives of the IPCC, to validate the findings derived thus far, and to inform draft recommendations to be included in the 2025 annual report of the AC.