

**Advance unedited version**

**Decision -/CMA.4**

**Report of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts**

*The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement,<sup>1</sup>*

*Recalling* decision 2/CP.19, whereby the Executive Committee was established to guide the implementation of the functions of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts to address loss and damage associated with the impacts of climate change, including extreme events and slow onset events, in developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change,

*Also recalling* relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement,

*Further recalling* Article 8 of the Paris Agreement,

1. *Welcomes:*

(a) The report for 2022 of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts, appreciating the work of the Executive Committee and endorsing the recommendations in the report;<sup>2</sup>

(b) The adoption by the Executive Committee of its second five-year rolling workplan, the second plan of action of the technical expert group on comprehensive risk management and the third plan of action of the task force on displacement;<sup>3</sup>

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to the organizations and experts that contributed to the progress of the work reported in the document referred to in paragraph 1(a) above, including in relation to:

(a) The development of the second five-year rolling workplan of the Executive Committee;

(b) The achievements of the expert groups, technical expert group and task force of the Executive Committee;

(c) Contribution to the regular meetings of the Executive Committee;

(d) The submission of information pursuant to paragraph 44 of decision 2/CMA.2, and noted in decision 2/CP.25, relevant to the Santiago network for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change;

3. *Encourages* the organizations and experts to continue to contribute as referred to in paragraph 2 above;

4. *Requests* the Executive Committee to continue:

(a) Exploring further opportunities and modalities for engaging national stakeholders, including loss and damage contact points and national focal points;

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<sup>1</sup> Nothing in this document prejudices Parties' views or prejudices outcomes on matters related to the governance of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts.

<sup>2</sup> FCCC/SB/2022/2 and Add.1–2.

<sup>3</sup> Contained in document FCCC/SB/2022/2/Add.2, annexes I–III.

(b) Collaborating and enhancing synergies with programmes, bodies and platforms under and outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement;

5. *Also requests* the Executive Committee, with regard to information relating to averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage, to continue collaborating with the Consultative Group of Experts in accordance with the latter's mandate to provide technical advice and support to developing country Parties for enhancing their institutional and technical capacity to prepare and submit national reports;

6. *Further requests* the secretariat, in responding to paragraph 11 of decision 19/CMA.3, and endorsed in decision 17/CP.26, to make public the requests it receives for technical assistance and to more actively communicate information on technical assistance available and the ways in which countries may access the technical assistance available, including as articulated by organizations, bodies, networks and experts responding to the invitation in paragraph 44 of decision 2/CMA.2, and noted in decision 2/CP.25, relevant to the Santiago network for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change, and to report on progress to the Executive Committee;

7. *Notes* that considerations related to the governance of the Warsaw International Mechanism will continue at its fifth session (November–December 2023);<sup>4</sup>

8. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraphs 1–6 above;

9. *Requests* that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

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<sup>4</sup> It is noted that discussions on the governance of the Warsaw International Mechanism did not produce an outcome; this is without prejudice to further consideration of this matter.