

Decision -/CMP.16

Fourth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Kyoto Protocol

The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol,

Recalling decisions 29/CMP.1, 6/CMP.4, 15/CMP.7, 6/CMP.12, 2/CP.7, 2/CP.17 and 10/CP.25,

Acknowledging that capacity-building for countries with economies in transition is essential to enabling them to implement effectively their commitments under the Kyoto Protocol;

1. *Notes with appreciation* the continued progress in the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries established under decision 2/CP.7 (hereinafter referred to as the capacity-building framework), demonstrated by the increase in capacity-building activities undertaken by a growing range of bodies and practitioners under and outside the Convention during the period covered by the fourth comprehensive review of the implementation of the capacity-building framework under the Kyoto Protocol (2017–2021);
2. *Recognizes* that, while the objective and scope of capacity-building in developing countries as set out in decision 2/CP.7 and the priority areas as contained in decision 29/CMP.1 are still relevant, current and emerging areas in the context of the Kyoto Protocol should also be taken into account in the further implementation of the capacity-building framework under the Kyoto Protocol;
3. *Welcomes* the Durban Forum on capacity-building as one of the key modalities that have enhanced progress in implementing the capacity-building framework under the Kyoto Protocol;
4. *Also welcomes* the wide range of capacity-building activities undertaken by constituted bodies under the Kyoto Protocol, the increased coherence and collaboration between bodies, the practice of building and improving on previous work where useful, and the collaboration with relevant stakeholders;
5. *Emphasizes* the value of strengthening the participation of relevant stakeholders, including non-State actors, in undertaking capacity-building activities;
6. *Notes* that, while progress has been made, gaps and needs remain in addressing the priority areas as contained in decision 29/CMP.1;
7. *Invites* Parties to foster networking and enhance their collaboration with academia and research centres with a view to promoting individual, institutional and systemic capacity-building through education, training and public awareness;
8. *Notes* the importance of sharing examples of best practices and lessons learned among Parties and capacity-building practitioners;
9. *Emphasizes* the importance of building long-term capacity in developing countries, including by promoting strong domestic enabling environments;

10. *Notes* that monitoring and reviewing the impacts of capacity-building remains challenging and needs to be conducted in specific contexts to better assess progress and evaluate the effectiveness of capacity-building activities;
11. *Recognizes* the importance of continuing to identify and disseminate lessons learned to enhance the implementation of capacity-building activities, including through the Durban Forum;
12. *Invites* Parties to cooperate in order to enhance the capacity of developing countries to implement the Kyoto Protocol and *also invites* Parties, as appropriate, and other stakeholders to continue to provide support for capacity-building actions in developing countries;
13. *Concludes* the fourth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Kyoto Protocol;
14. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to develop terms of reference for the fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Kyoto Protocol at its sixty-second session (2025) for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its twentieth session (2025);
15. *Also requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to initiate the fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Kyoto Protocol at its sixty-fourth session (2026) with a view to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol concluding it at its twenty-first session (2026).
