

Decision -/CP.30

Review of the functions of the Climate Technology Centre

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 1/CP.16, 2/CP.17 and 10/CP.29,

Recognizing the efforts of the Climate Technology Centre to fulfil its functions,¹ support developing country Parties in relation to technology development and transfer as well as the effective implementation of the Technology Mechanism, as well as the progress of the Climate Technology Centre in implementing the recommendations from the first and second independent reviews of the effective implementation of the Climate Technology Centre and Network,²

1. *Decides* to extend the term of the Climate Technology Centre until the end of 2041, with an initial term of agreement of five years, followed by two five-year renewal periods if so decided by the Conference of the Parties subject to the host organization fulfilling the functions set out in annex I and the roles and responsibilities set out in paragraphs 4–5 of the terms of reference of the Climate Technology Centre and Network,³ to be determined by independent reviews thereof;
2. *Adopts* the revised functions of the Climate Technology Centre contained in annex I, which will take effect from 2027;
3. *Decides* that the next review of the term and functions of the Climate Technology Centre will be initiated at the ninetieth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (2039) with a view to the Subsidiary Body for Implementation recommending a draft decision on this matter for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its forty-fifth session (2040);
4. *Amends* paragraphs 2, 21, 22 and 23 of the terms of reference of the Climate Technology Centre and Network⁴ to reflect the revised functions and extended term of the Climate Technology Centre, as follows:
 - (a) For the existing paragraph 2 substitute: “The Climate Technology Centre and Network shall perform the functions as contained in annex I to decision -/CP.30⁵”;
 - (b) For the existing paragraph 21 substitute: “The term of agreement to host the Climate Technology Centre will be extended as stipulated in paragraph 1 of decision -/CP.30⁶”;
 - (c) Delete the existing paragraph 22;
 - (d) Delete the existing paragraph 23;
5. *Requests* the secretariat to prepare an informal consolidated version of the terms of reference of the Climate Technology Centre and Network as amended according to paragraph 4 above and to make it available on the UNFCCC website;
6. *Decides* that the process for selecting the new host of the Climate Technology Centre shall be launched upon the conclusion of this session and conducted in an open, transparent,

¹ Set out in decision 1/CP.16, para. 123.

² Contained in documents FCCC/CP/2017/3, chap. V.C, and FCCC/CP/2021/3, chap. V, respectively.

³ Decision 2/CP.17, annex VII.

⁴ Contained in decision 2/CP.17, annex VII.

⁵ The present draft decision.

⁶ The present draft decision.

geographically balanced, fair and neutral manner in accordance with the criteria set out in annex II and informed by United Nations practices and standards;

7. *Invites* the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement to participate in the process for selecting the new host of the Climate Technology Centre;

8. *Requests* the secretariat to:

(a) Prepare and issue a call for proposals to host the Climate Technology Centre secretariat by 16 January 2026, inviting interested organizations to submit proposals by 16 March 2026;

(b) Respond to enquiries from interested organizations, in consultation with the evaluation panel referred to in paragraph 10 below, as appropriate;

(c) Convene an evaluation panel by 1 March 2026;

(d) Make the executive summaries of the submitted proposals available on the UNFCCC website;

(e) Support the evaluation panel in preparing the evaluation report referred to in paragraph 10(b) below;

9. *Invites* the Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network to designate six of its members (two from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, two from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention and two from UNFCCC observer organizations) and the Technology Executive Committee to designate four of its members (two from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention and two from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention) to serve up until the conclusion of the evaluation process as members of the evaluation panel referred to in paragraph 8(c) above;

10. *Also invites* the evaluation panel convened by the secretariat to:

(a) Conduct an evaluation of the proposals submitted for hosting the Climate Technology Centre against the criteria set out in annex II;

(b) Prepare an evaluation report, including information on whether and how the evaluation criteria have been met in the proposals, and make the report available for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its sixty-fourth session (June 2026);

11. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to recommend at its sixty-fourth session a draft decision on the new host of the Climate Technology Centre secretariat, on the basis of the evaluation report referred to in paragraph 8(e) above, for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirty-first session (November 2026);

12. *Also requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to recommend at its sixty-fourth session elements for a memorandum of understanding between the Conference of the Parties, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and the proposed host;

13. *Further requests* the secretariat to develop a draft memorandum of understanding with the host to be recommended by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its sixty-fourth session as per paragraph 11 above for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its sixty-fifth session (November 2026) with a view to recommending a draft decision thereon for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirty-first session;

14. *Notes* the importance of ensuring continuity in the operations of the Climate Technology Centre during the transition process so as to avoid disruption in its provision of services to developing countries;

15. *Highlights* the importance of the provision of support to the Climate Technology Centre during its extended term in line with the revised functions set out in annex I;

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

Annex I

Revised functions of the Climate Technology Centre

To enhance the impact of its work, promote transformational change and support Parties in realizing technology development and transfer in order to improve resilience to climate change and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, the Climate Technology Centre shall facilitate a Network of global, regional, national and sectoral technology networks, organizations, platforms and initiatives, in performing the following functions:

- (a) At the request of a developing country Party:
 - (i) Provide advice and support in:
 - a. Identifying, prioritizing and addressing technology-related needs, including by supporting the deployment of climate technologies through pilot, demonstration, diffusion and dissemination projects;
 - b. The development of enabling environments;
 - (ii) Support the enhancement of national systems of innovation and capacity for developing Indigenous and endogenous technologies;
 - (iii) Provide information, training and support for programmes aimed at building or strengthening the capacity of developing country Parties to identify technology options, make technology choices and operate, maintain and adapt technologies;
 - (iv) Facilitate prompt action on the development, deployment, diffusion and dissemination of technologies in developing country Parties on the basis of identified needs;
 - (v) Provide technical and logistical support to national designated entities to enable them to fulfil their role;
 - (vi) Support, in accordance with the respective guidelines and criteria, the preparation of project proposals to enable the financing, deployment and use of existing technologies for mitigation and adaptation;
- (b) Utilize multi-country and programmatic approaches to responding to requests for technology development and transfer;
- (c) Enable and encourage the development and transfer of climate technologies through collaboration and partnerships with private sector entities, philanthropic organizations, public institutions, and academic and research institutions, as well as through opportunities for North–South, South–South and triangular technology cooperation;
- (d) Facilitate its Network in order to:
 - (i) Cooperate with national, regional and international technology centres and relevant national organizations, including those that facilitate social inclusion and promote gender-responsive technologies, technologies led by youth, women and Indigenous Peoples as well as local communities, and endogenous technologies;
 - (ii) Foster international partnerships with public and private sector stakeholders to accelerate the development, deployment, diffusion and dissemination of climate technologies in developing countries;
 - (iii) Provide in-country technical assistance and training to support the development and implementation of identified technology actions in developing countries;
 - (iv) Stimulate the establishment of twinning centre arrangements to promote North–South, South–South and triangular partnerships with a view to encouraging cooperative research, development, demonstration and deployment;

- (v) Identify, disseminate and assist with developing analytical tools, policies and best practices for country-driven planning to support the development, diffusion and dissemination of climate technologies;
- (vi) Provide matchmaking for the purpose of securing funding for implementing technologies identified as needed by developing country Parties;
- (e) Cooperate with the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, the Adaptation Fund and UNFCCC constituted bodies;
- (f) Evaluate, in coordination with nationally designated entities, the outcomes and long-term impacts of technical assistance provided in response to requests from developing country Parties as part of the monitoring and evaluation framework of the Climate Technology Centre;
- (g) Perform other activities as may be necessary to carry out the above-mentioned functions.

Annex II

Criteria for evaluating and selecting the host of the Climate Technology Centre

The proposals submitted by interested organizations, or groups of organizations, in response to the call issued by the secretariat regarding the hosting of the Climate Technology Centre will be evaluated against the following criteria:

- (a) Governance and management:
 - (i) Be an organization, or group of organizations, capable of providing an efficient and agile service to the secretariat of the Climate Technology Centre in order for it to provide timely responses to requests from developing countries for technical assistance; in the case of bids from groups of organizations, the bid should clearly identify the organizations' respective responsibilities and roles with regard to contributing to the hosting of the Climate Technology Centre;
 - (ii) Have demonstrated ability to engage with and provide support to all developing countries, in all regions;
 - (iii) Have an effective governance structure that supports high-quality administration, ensuring the evaluation of operational performance against the following elements: the principles of integrity and transparency; reporting and accountability; the timeliness and appropriateness of responses to developing countries' requests; fiduciary standards; and legal and ethical standards, in a manner that is consistent with the principles of the United Nations;
 - (iv) Have the necessary staff recruitment and management capability;
 - (v) Have demonstrated capability to ensure timely, fair and open international tendering for the procurement of services in line with the fiduciary and ethical standards of the United Nations;
 - (vi) Be able to simultaneously manage and administer multiple and complex projects in developing countries;
 - (vii) Be able to guarantee the appropriate monitoring and tracking of the activities undertaken;
 - (viii) Have capacity to provide funds for technical and logistical support to nationally designated entities to enable them to fulfil their roles;¹
- (b) Technical capabilities:
 - (i) Have a comprehensive understanding of the development and transfer of technologies, including in the context of the Convention and the Paris Agreement, in particular an understanding of the challenges faced by developing countries, of regional, subregional and sectoral constraints and of differences regarding specific technologies, as well as have the capability to support and facilitate the transfer to and diffusion and dissemination of technology in developing countries, including through regional presence;
 - (ii) Have demonstrated experience and expertise in technology development and transfer that would enable the Climate Technology Centre to perform its revised functions as set out in annex I;
 - (iii) Have demonstrated capability to engage in partnerships with a wide range of organizations, bodies, networks and experts across geographical regions in the development and transfer of climate technologies and the facilitation of networks;
- (c) Financial management:

¹ See <https://www.ctc-n.org/about-ctcn/nde>.

- (i) Have financial management, auditing and reporting functions; a robust accountability system; sound financial systems of an international standard; and a fiduciary record that ensures the accurate and impartial administering and disbursement of funds;
 - (ii) Have demonstrated ability to secure significant funding;
 - (iii) Have a track record in financial stability and sustainability;
 - (d) Climate Technology Centre and Network management plan:
 - (i) Have an overall vision and approach in terms of how it will support the effective functioning of the Climate Technology Centre and Network, including through an effective organizational structure;
 - (ii) Have a proposal for providing the secretariat of the Climate Technology Centre with in-kind and financial support;
 - (iii) Be able to identify the ways in which partners and networks could be engaged in facilitating and catalysing technical assistance;
 - (iv) Be able to evaluate its operational performance, take measures to enhance its effectiveness, and promote an independent and accountable relationship with the Conference of the Parties, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and the UNFCCC constituted bodies, as delegated;
 - (v) Have a proposal, with established channels, for the mobilization of in-kind and financial support for the Climate Technology Centre from various sources, aligned with the timelines set out in the applicable Climate Technology Centre and Network programme of work.
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