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Work of the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from

Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention

Progress report on the work of the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention

Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) welcomed the progress report on the work of the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (CGE) on its second meeting.¹
2. The SBI welcomed the technical report of the CGE on technical problems and constraints affecting Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (non-Annex I Parties) in undertaking the process of and preparation of their national communications and the assessment of their capacity-building needs.² It encouraged the CGE to implement the recommendations outlined in the report, as appropriate.
3. The SBI noted the usefulness of the two surveys³ conducted by the CGE under its work programme in accordance with its terms of reference,⁴ and urged those non-Annex I Parties that have not yet completed the surveys to provide the CGE with the required information as soon as possible.
4. The SBI also noted the planned workshop of the CGE to be held in Antigua and Barbuda in March 2011, subject to the availability of resources, to exchange views on possible elements to be considered in a future revision of the UNFCCC “Guidelines for the preparation of national communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the

¹ FCCC/SBI/2010/21.

² FCCC/SBI/2010/21/Add.1.

³ “Identification of technical problems and constraints affecting non-Annex I Parties in the process of preparation of their national communications and assessment of capacity building needs” and “Collection of information on problems related to the sustainability of the national communication process and maintenance of national technical teams for the preparation of national communications including GHG inventories, on a continuous basis”.

⁴ Decision 5/CP.15, annex, paragraphs 2 (a–c).

Convention”, taking into account the difficulties encountered by non-Annex I Parties in the preparation of their most recent national communications.

5. The SBI encouraged the CGE to organize the workshop referred to in paragraph 4 above in such a way as to facilitate maximum participation of representatives from non-Annex I Parties, and explore and use the most effective ways to deliver the content of the workshop to those representatives who cannot travel to the workshop, subject to the availability of resources.

6. The SBI also called on the CGE to make all efforts to conduct the planned workshop on the development and long-term sustainability of processes, and the establishment and maintenance of national technical teams, for the preparation of national communications, including greenhouse gas inventories, on a continuous basis, in early 2011 as per its work programme.

7. The SBI noted the plan of the CGE to organize regional training workshops for the preparation of national communications in the second half of 2011, subject to the availability of resources.

8. The SBI highlighted the importance of the training activities to be organized by the CGE and requested the CGE to organize, to the extent possible, at least two training activities per region in the period 2011 to 2012, subject to the availability of resources.

9. The SBI invited the CGE, in implementing its work programme, to take into account the current and future needs of non-Annex I Parties and to take into consideration the provisions under the Convention and the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties.

10. The SBI expressed its gratitude to the Government of the Philippines for hosting the second meeting of the CGE. It also thanked the Government of the United States of America for financial and technical support to the work of the CGE and the Governments of Brazil and Chile and the United Nations Development Programme for technical assistance in translating the surveys of the CGE into languages other than English.

11. The SBI invited Parties included in Annex II to the Convention, and other Parties in a position to do so, to provide financial resources to enable the CGE to implement its planned activities for 2011. It encouraged bilateral, multilateral and international organizations to support the work of the CGE.
