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**Land use, land-use change and forestry under Article 3,
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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. Following the requests contained in decision 2/CMP.7, paragraphs 5, 6, 7 and 10, the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) continued its consideration of issues related to land use, land-use change and forestry (LULUCF).
2. The SBSTA took note of the views submitted by Parties¹ and admitted observer organizations² in response to the invitation of SBSTA 39³ and also took note of the technical paper⁴ prepared by the secretariat in response to the request of SBSTA 39.⁵
3. The SBSTA agreed to continue its consideration of modalities and procedures for possible additional LULUCF activities under the clean development mechanism (CDM), with a view to forwarding a draft decision on this matter to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) for adoption at its tenth session.
4. The SBSTA noted the possible additional LULUCF activities identified in the technical paper referred to in paragraph 2 above and agreed to prioritize in its consideration the following groups of possible additional LULUCF activities in the context of mitigation practices limited to changes in carbon stocks:

¹ Available at <<http://unfccc.int/5900.php>>.

² Available at <<http://unfccc.int/7478.php>>.

³ FCCC/SBSTA/2013/5, paragraph 108.

⁴ FCCC/TP/2014/2.

⁵ FCCC/SBSTA/2013/5, paragraph 107.

(a) Revegetation, including agroforestry and silvopastoral practices where the established vegetation is not likely to reach the forest thresholds selected by the host Party under decision 5/CMP.1, annex, paragraph 8;

(b) Cropland management and grazing land management;

(c) Wetland drainage and rewetting;

5. The SBSTA also agreed to continue its consideration of modalities and procedures for alternative approaches to addressing the risk of non-permanence in LULUCF activities under the CDM with a view to forwarding a draft decision on this matter to the CMP for adoption at its tenth session.

6. The SBSTA recalled its request to the secretariat to organize a workshop to facilitate the development of the modalities and procedures for possible additional LULUCF activities under the CDM and for alternative approaches to addressing the risk of non-permanence under the CDM.⁶ It agreed that the workshop will focus on an exchange of views on the following:

(a) The scope of additional LULUCF activities to be considered under the groups listed in paragraph 4 above, including issues relating to land eligibility;

(b) Applicability of the elements of the modalities and procedures contained in the annex to decision 5/CMP.1 to the possible additional LULUCF activities, including but not limited to:

(i) Baseline approaches;

(ii) Additionality;

(iii) Crediting period;

(iv) Monitoring;

(v) Approaches to addressing leakage;

(vi) Environmental and socioeconomic impacts;

(vii) Approaches to addressing the risk of non-permanence;

(c) Possible alternative approaches to addressing the risk of non-permanence in LULUCF activities under the CDM.

7. The SBSTA encouraged Parties in a position to do so to provide adequate funding for the workshop referred to in paragraph 6 above.

8. The SBSTA encouraged Parties and admitted observer organizations to continue to submit, until 25 August 2014, their views on the matters mentioned in paragraph 6 above using the UNFCCC submission portal,⁷ to be considered at SBSTA 41 (December 2014).

9. The SBSTA agreed to continue, at SBSTA 42 (June 2015), its consideration of issues relating to more comprehensive accounting of anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks from LULUCF, including through a more inclusive activity-based approach or a land-based approach, with a view to reporting on the outcomes to CMP 11.

10. The SBSTA also agreed to continue, at SBSTA 42, its consideration of issues relating to modalities and procedures for applying the concept of additionality, with a view to forwarding a draft decision on that matter for consideration and adoption at CMP 11.

⁶ FCCC/SBSTA/2013/5, paragraph 109.

⁷ <https://unfccc.int/documentation/submissions_from_parties/items/5900.php>.

11. The SBSTA took note of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat as referred to in paragraph 6. It requested that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.
