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Agenda item 13(b) Market and non-market mechanisms under the Convention Non-market-based approaches

Non-market-based approaches

Draft conclusions proposed by the co-facilitators

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) continued its work programme to elaborate non-market-based approaches in accordance with decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 47, with a view to recommending a draft decision for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties (COP) at its twentieth session (December 2014).

2. The SBSTA expressed its gratitude to the European Union, New Zealand, Norway, Switzerland and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for the financial support for the workshop on non-market-based approaches held on 7 October 2013 in Bonn, Germany, in conjunction with the workshop on the framework for various approaches and the workshop on the new market-based mechanism.

3. The SBSTA welcomed the report¹ on the workshop on non-market-based approaches and encouraged Parties to draw on the information contained in that document and on the views² submitted by Parties and admitted observer organizations when conducting further work on this matter.

4. The SBSTA noted that the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action (ADP) is informed by the work of the subsidiary bodies.³ The SBSTA also noted that its work under this agenda sub-item is being conducted without prejudice to the work of the ADP on the 2015 agreement and pre-2020 ambition.

5. The SBSTA further noted the willingness of Parties to share information, experience and good practice relevant to the design and operation of non-market-based approaches. It also recalled the request of the COP to the secretariat⁴ to compile and make publicly accessible such information, experience and good practice.

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¹ FCCC/SBSTA/2013/INF.12.

² Available at <http://unfccc.int/cooperation_support/market_and_nonmarket_mechanisms/items/7711.php>.

³ Decision 1/CP.17, paragraph 6.

⁴ Decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 49.

6. The SBSTA invited Parties and admitted observer organizations to submit to the secretariat, by 22 September 2014, their views on experience and good practice relevant to the design and operation of non-market-based approaches, including but not limited to:

(a) Best practices and lessons learned in relation to developing and implementing non-market-based approaches;

(b) Options for international cooperation on non-market-based approaches;

(c) The co-benefits of such approaches, including, but not limited to, their contribution to sustainable development, poverty eradication and adaptation;

(d) Information on the extent to which approaches address the elements referred to in decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 2.

7. The SBSTA requested the secretariat to make the submissions referred to in paragraph 6 above available on the UNFCCC website.

8. It also requested the secretariat to prepare, for consideration at SBSTA 41 (December 2014), a technical paper on the matters referred to in paragraph 6 above, drawing on the submissions referred to in the same paragraph, the relevant submissions referred to in the draft conclusions to be adopted under SBSTA 40 agenda sub-item $13(a)^5$ and other relevant materials.

9. The SBSTA agreed to continue its consideration of this agenda sub-item at SBSTA 41, drawing on the submissions referred to in paragraph 6 above and the technical paper referred to in paragraph 8 above, with a view to recommending a draft decision on non-market-based approaches for consideration and adoption at COP 20.

10. The SBSTA took note of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraph 8. It requested that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

⁵ FCCC/SBSTA/2014/L.10, paragraph 6.