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Methodological issues under the Convention

Common metrics to calculate the carbon dioxide equivalence of greenhouse gases

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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) continued its consideration of the common metrics used to calculate the carbon dioxide equivalence of anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions by sources and removals by sinks (hereinafter referred to as common metrics).
2. The SBSTA welcomed the special event on common metrics,¹ organized by the secretariat and held in Bonn, Germany, on 7 June 2014, during which the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) presented its findings on common metrics from its Fifth Assessment Report (AR5), following an invitation made at SBSTA 36.²
3. The SBSTA expressed its appreciation to the IPCC and the representatives of its Working Groups I and III for providing information on their work and findings on common metrics in the context of the AR5, which included updated and relevant information on the scientific knowledge of common metrics.
4. The SBSTA agreed to continue its consideration of common metrics at SBSTA 44 (May 2016).

¹ Further information on the event is available at
<http://unfccc.int/meetings/bonn_jun_2014/workshop/8245.php>.

² FCCC/SBSTA/2012/2, paragraph 92.