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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) initiated its consideration of the results of the training programme for review experts for the technical review of greenhouse gas (GHG) inventories of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention (Annex I Parties), as requested at SBSTA 41.¹
2. The SBSTA acknowledged the relevance of the training programme in contributing to the quality and consistency of the technical reviews of GHG inventories of Annex I Parties and recognized the importance of further developing and enhancing the training programme, taking into account its importance with respect to the future adoption of the common modalities, procedures and guidelines for the transparency of action and support under the Paris Agreement.²
3. The SBSTA noted that the implementation of the training programme started in September 2015 and that no experience has yet been gained in technical reviews of GHG inventories of Annex I Parties using the “Guidelines for the technical review of information reported under the Convention related to greenhouse gas inventories, biennial reports and national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention”³ by experts who undertook the training programme. Therefore, the SBSTA recognized that not enough information is yet available to enable it to assess the results in order to conduct a comprehensive and meaningful analysis with a view to further developing and enhancing the training programme.

¹ FCCC/SBSTA/2014/5, paragraph 73.

² Article 13, paragraph 13, of the Paris Agreement.

³ Annex to decision 13/CP.20.

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4. The SBSTA agreed to consider the assessment of the results of the training programme at SBSTA 46 (May 2017) with a view to making recommendations to the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-third session (November 2017) on the further development and enhancement of the training programme.
 5. The SBSTA further agreed to extend the implementation of the ongoing training programme to 2017.
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