

INFORMAL NOTE

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Matters relating to the global stocktake: Procedural and logistical elements of the overall global stocktake process

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Informal note by the co-facilitators

The purpose of this informal note is to organize the views of Parties, presented during the informal consultations on the elements for consideration in refining the procedural and logistical elements of the overall global stocktake process. The list of elements below has been prepared by the co-facilitators for this agenda item under their own responsibility. The list has not been agreed upon, is not exhaustive and has no formal status. It is intended to assist Parties in their discussions and does not prejudice further work or prevent Parties from expressing any further views.

Based on deliberations by Parties, procedural and logistical refinements may be made to following aspects of the overall global stocktake process:

- Recalling Article 14 of the Paris Agreement
- Recalling decision 19/CMA.1
- Recalling decision 1/CMA.5

Crosscutting

- Recall that equity and the best available science shall be considered in a party driven and cross cutting manner
- secretariat to make a calendar of global stocktake activities, taking into account the coordination across workstreams facilitated by Chairs of the subsidiary bodies to ensure complementarity and avoid scheduling conflicts
- Recall party-driven nature of the global stocktake
- Encourage the strengthened participation of developing countries, as well as non-Party stakeholders, including Indigenous Peoples, women, youth and children
- Encourage strengthening gender balance
- High-Level Champions and Marrakech Partnership to encourage contributions from non-Party stakeholders

Information collection and preparation

- Recalls sources of input for the global stocktake as referred in paragraph 36-37 of decision 19/CMA.1
- Further sources of inputs:
 - **Option 1:** future GSTs to take into account further sources of input including reports from other sources, i.e. dialogues mandated by decision 1/CMA.5, the annual GST dialogue on NDCs, other knowledge systems, gender disaggregated data, other relevant constituted bodies and work programs established since 19/CMA.1 etc.
 - **Option 2:** no text
- Encourage further submissions from developing countries
- Encourage further inputs that focus on national and sub-national perspectives, experiences, best practices, challenges and barriers
- Improve online accessibility of inputs
- Recognize the need of IPCC to inform the second and subsequent global stocktakes
- Recognize contribution from other scientific sources
- Invite the IPCC to consider how best to align its work with the second and subsequent global stocktakes
- Invite the IPCC to provide relevant and timely information for the next global stocktake
- Invite the SBSTA-IPCC working group to hold an in session workshop focused on how the IPCC can support GST2

Technical assessment

- **Timeline**
 - **Option 1:** technical assessment phase to conclude no later than two sessions before the relevant CMA and include two technical dialogues
 - **Option 2:** maintain flexibility in the timing of the technical assessment component and note that the technical assessment and consideration of outputs may overlap to allow sufficient time for consideration of outputs
- **Thematic areas**
 - **Option 1:** should reflect thematic areas of mitigation, adaptation and means of implementation and support referred to in paragraph 6(b) of decision 19/CMA.1, with a strengthened consideration of other emerging issues and cross-cutting priorities including loss and damage
 - **Option 2:** no text
- **Intersessional and in-session work**
 - **Option 1:** call for intersessional work to support the technical assessment, including an intersessional workshop to consider the latest IPCC Working Group Reports, taking into consideration the need for meetings to be comprehensive and inclusive
 - **Option 2:** no text
- **Summary and synthesis report(s)**
 - **Option 1:** prepare a technical annex focused on practical options to support implementation as well as highlighting lessons learned and good practices
 - **Option 2:** no text

Consideration of outputs

- Encourage joint contact group to start consideration of global stocktake decision at least two sessions before the relevant CMA
- Encourage SB chairs to hold intersessional consultations, conducted in person and/or hybrid or virtual format and to develop elements for the consideration of outputs components of global stocktake
- **High-level events and committee**
 - **Option 1:** high-level events to be held earlier, including well in advance of the CMA where the global stocktake concludes; improve regional representation within the composition of the high-level committee, by including the three Presidencies which preside during the duration of the global stocktake process with the Subsidiary Bodies chairs
 - **Option 2:** no text

Other procedural and logistical matters

Option 1: no text

Option 2:

- **Structure of final GST outcome**
 - **Option 1:** maintain flexibility on the content, structure and outline of future global stocktake outcomes
 - **Option 2:** retain the structure and outline of the first global stocktake outcome
 - **Option 3:** no text
- **Content of final GST outcome**
 - **Option 1:** outcome will not create new mandates, follow-up processes, or change existing mandates of other streams
 - **Option 2:** no text
- **Future refinements**
 - **Option 1:** maintain provision in para 15 of decision 19/CMA.1
 - **Option 2:** refinement of the procedural and logistical elements has concluded
 - **Option 3:** no text
- **Follow-up**

- **Option 1:** consider possible follow-up processes and activities to track progress, address gaps, and enhance implementation action, including the need for improved clarity with regards to these processes and activities
- **Option 2:** include focus on next steps and follow-up actions, and identify calls and commitments to enhance action and support and strengthen international cooperation, including the appropriate mandates to follow up its implementation
- **Option 3:** no text