

**Twenty-fourth meeting of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International
Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts**

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Note by the Co-Chairs for item 12(b)

About this document

This document provides a list of knowledge products that are newly requested to the Executive Committee in decision 22/CMA.7, endorsed by decision 11/CP.30, and possible approaches for developing them, as set out by the Co-Chairs. The document also lists relevant activities and deliverables contained in the current plans of action of the Committee's thematic expert groups.

I. Background

1. The third review of the WIM resulted in, *inter alia*, requesting the Executive Committee to develop the following:¹

(a) Knowledge products focused on enhancing understanding of approaches to managing compound risks and impacts associated with climate change and responding to loss and damage arising from cascading impacts associated with the adverse effects of climate change;

(b) Knowledge products on existing methodologies and approaches for assessing economic and non-economic loss and damage for the purpose of informing the development of context-specific national methodologies and approaches for responding to loss and damage at the national level and supporting developing countries in preparing technical assistance and funding requests;

(c) Voluntary, discretionary, and non-prescriptive knowledge products on how Parties could develop and integrate considerations of loss and damage into national response plans.

II. Possible ways forward

2. To respond to the new mandates for developing knowledge products, the Co-Chairs identify the following possible approaches for the consideration of the Executive Committee. These approaches are not mutually exclusive and could be combined, as appropriate:

(a) **Assignment to a specific expert group:** The development of a new knowledge product could be assigned to a single thematic expert group. The current PoAs have placeholder for additional activities, following future decisions by the governing body or bodies of the WIM;

(b) **Joint development across expert groups:** The knowledge product could be developed as a joint effort among experts from different thematic expert groups, for example through a call for expressions of interest to identify experts willing to contribute to its development;

(c) **Reframing or repurposing existing activities:** Existing activities across the thematic expert groups could be reviewed to identify elements that already respond, or could be adapted to respond, to the newly mandated knowledge products by CMA 7/COP 30. Relevant components could be collated and synthesized into a single knowledge product.

¹ In the context of decision [22/CMA.7](#), endorsed by decision [11/CP.30](#), on the 3rd review of the WIM, para 17(i).

3. The table below provides examples of activities under the current plans of action of the thematic expert groups that could be relevant under approach (c).

<i>Expert group</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Description of deliverable</i>
Technical expert group on comprehensive risk management	1.1	Knowledge product that assists interested countries in integrating considerations of specific types of loss and damage in national or sectoral policies, programming and project development, with a focus on the applicability of methods, tools, approaches and actions to specific contexts and different national capacities
	1.2	Methodologies for assessing loss and damage in agrifood systems
Task force on displacement	1.1.	Knowledge product that assists interested developing countries in including human mobility considerations in national policies, plans and strategies, including through relevant instruments available under the UNFCCC process, and provides guidance on developing projects or programmes aimed at averting, minimize and addressing loss and damage related to human mobility arising from climate change
	1.3	Knowledge product that assists interested countries in setting up national coordination arrangements or mechanisms for promoting integrated approaches to human mobility and loss and damage, based on existing practices
	2.1	Technical guide on averting, minimizing and addressing non-economic losses in the context of human mobility ²
Expert group on non-economic losses	2	Knowledge product on methodologies for assessing loss and damage related to biodiversity and ecosystem services associated with climate change
	7	Technical guide on averting, minimizing and addressing non-economic losses in the context of human mobility ³
	8	Concise technical paper providing practical guidance on a variety of approaches to addressing cultural heritage losses due to climate change impacts
	10	Technical guide on averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage in the context of health

III. Next steps

4. Under agenda item 12(b), the Executive Committee is invited to:

(a) Consider approaches to respond to the new mandates for developing knowledge products; and

(b) Agree on the next steps, including the timeframe, milestones and processes, as appropriate.

² The technical guide is developed jointly by the expert group on non-economic losses and the task force on displacement.

³ As footnote 2 above.