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Budgetary matters

Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) took note of the information relating to the status of contributions as at 13 April 2018.¹ The SBI expressed its appreciation to the Parties that had paid their indicative contributions to the core budget and their fees for the international transaction log on time.

2. The SBI expressed concern regarding the high level of outstanding contributions to the core budget for the current and previous bienniums and strongly urged the Parties concerned to make their contributions without further delay. It requested the Executive Secretary to raise awareness among Party representatives in bilateral and multilateral forums of the issue of outstanding core budget contributions. The SBI noted the need to continue exploring options for enhancing the level of contributions at SBI 49 (December 2018). It urged coordinators of negotiating groups to help raise awareness of the high level of outstanding contributions and to encourage Parties to make payments of their outstanding contributions.

3. The SBI expressed its appreciation to the Parties that had made voluntary contributions to the Trust Fund for Participation in the UNFCCC Process and the Trust Fund for Supplementary Activities. It urged Parties to contribute to the Trust Fund for Participation in the UNFCCC Process to ensure the widest possible participation in 2018, and to contribute to the Trust Fund for Supplementary Activities to ensure a high level of implementation of the UNFCCC work programme.

4. The SBI reiterated its appreciation to the Government of Germany for its annual voluntary contribution to the core budget² of EUR 766,938 and its special contribution of EUR 1,789,522 as Host Government of the secretariat.

5. The SBI took note of the 2017 annual report and noted that while the annual report attempted to respond to the mandate contained in decision 21/CP.23, paragraph 18, future reports require enhancements, to be considered at SBI 49.

² The Government of Germany has provided an annual voluntary contribution to the core budget since 1996.





¹ FCCC/SBI/2018/INF.6.

6. It took note of the information contained in the report on the technical workshop that took place in Bonn, Germany, on 8 November 2017 on ways to increase the efficiency and transparency of the budget process.³

7. The SBI also took note of the information contained in the note by the secretariat on possible approaches to prioritization and on the budgetary implications of decisions of the governing bodies and conclusions of the subsidiary bodies.⁴

8. The SBI further took note of the information contained in the note by the secretariat on possible enhancements to the presentation of the budget and work programme for the biennium 2020–2021.⁵

9. The SBI requested the secretariat to update the documents referred to in paragraphs 6–8 above, taking into account the comments made by Parties at this session, for consideration at SBI 49.

10. The SBI agreed to continue its consideration of ways to enhance the transparency and efficiency of the budget process at SBI 49.

⁵ FCCC/SBI/2018/INF.4.

³ FCCC/SBI/2018/2.

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