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MESSAGE TO PARTIES

Adaptation Committee work on the “State of adaptation action by Parties” and related modalities for validation

During the period 2022-2023 the Adaptation Committee has initiated work on the “State of adaptation action by Parties”. As part of this work, it is developing interactive online country profiles to showcase the state of adaptation in each country, focusing on implemented action throughout the adaptation cycle, and taking into account existing adaptation principles and reporting guidelines¹. The profiles are based exclusively on information available in national reports and communications submitted to the UNFCCC secretariat and will be regularly updated.

As a unique, central access point for information, the interactive country profile tool is designed to enhance the collective understanding of adaptation action, facilitate recognition of adaptation efforts, stimulate learning and further action, and enable the tracking of adaptation progress globally.

With a view to ensuring that all information will be presented correctly, the Adaptation Committee requested the secretariat to apply the following modalities for validation before publishing the country profiles:

1. Share the finalized country profiles of a set of sample countries with the respective UNFCCC adaptation contact points and national focal points for validation before COP 28 with a view to possibly showcasing a mock-up version of the interactive tool as part of Adaptation Committee events during the COP (the respective countries will be notified shortly including the deadline for the validation process);
2. Share the remainder of the finalized country profiles with the respective UNFCCC adaptation contact points and national focal points and communicate deadline for validation (early 2024);

Distribution: To Parties and observer States through their national focal points for climate change and diplomatic missions accredited to the Federal Republic of Germany.

¹ Including adaptation principles from COP and CMA decisions, for example on national adaptation plans and the global goal on adaptation, and existing reporting guidelines, such as for National Communications, adaptation communications, biennial transparency reports and the PEG M&E tool developed by the Least Developed Countries Expert Group.



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3. Publish all country profiles as part of the interactive online tool after the validation deadline and on a non-objection basis;
4. Include the date of validation as part of each validated profile;
5. Include a link in the overall country profile tool through which any concerns or requests can be submitted to the secretariat on an ongoing basis.

The Adaptation Committee will share further relevant information with the adaptation contact points and national focal points in due time and would like to thank them in advance for their collaboration.

Yours sincerely

(Signed by)

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