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MESSAGE FROM THE CO-CHAIRS OF THE SHARM EL-SHEIKH MITIGATION AMBITION AND IMPLEMENTATION WORK PROGRAMME

Approach for and topics to be discussed at the global dialogues under the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme

I am pleased to convey to Parties and observer States to the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement, United Nations and related organizations, specialized agencies, and admitted intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations a message from the co-chairs of the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme on the approach for and topics to be discussed at dialogues under the work programme.

The message is contained in the annex to this note.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed by)

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Distribution: To Parties and observer States through their national focal points and diplomatic missions accredited to the Federal Republic of Germany, as well as United Nations and related organizations and specialized agencies, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations admitted as observers and other non-Party stakeholders.



Annex

Approach for and topics to be discussed at the global dialogues under the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme

The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement has requested the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies to appoint two co-chairs for the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme. We are honoured to have been appointed by the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies to co-chair the work programme in 2025–2026 and to assume our roles in guiding the work programme over the next two years.

As co-chairs, we will strive to ensure that the work programme fosters a focused exchange of views, information and ideas, noting that the outcomes of the work programme will be non-prescriptive, non-punitive, facilitative, respectful of national sovereignty and national circumstances, take into account the nationally determined nature of nationally determined contributions and will not impose new targets or goals.¹ Over the next two years, we will aim to cultivate a space for inclusive and solutions-oriented dialogues in order to facilitate discussions that are action oriented, with an emphasis on best practice, overcoming barriers and unlocking climate solutions.

Our approach will be one of openness and collaboration. We will maintain ongoing communication and work with all of you in the delivery of this work programme. We encourage Parties, observers and other non-Party stakeholders to actively engage, share insights and contribute to advancing this work programme as a truly collective endeavour.

As the co-chairs of the work programme, we have been tasked with guiding the secretariat in organizing at least two global dialogues in 2025, with one to be held prior to the first regular sessions of the subsidiary bodies of the year and one prior to their second regular sessions, in addition to holding investment-focused events on the margins of these dialogues.²

One of our first tasks is to decide on the topics to be discussed under the global dialogues, considering the scope of the work programme³ and submissions on suggested topics from Parties, observers and other non-Party stakeholders, and noting that successive global dialogues should cover different topics.⁴

In line with what we have laid out above, we believe having a two-year overarching outlook for the work programme will provide a structured framing that offers both predictability and direction, while recognizing Parties, observers and other non-Party stakeholders will provide further views on suggested topics in 2026.⁵ This will also help to effectively address the scope of the work programme. With this in mind, we are pleased to outline the topics for 2025 and 2026 as follows:

¹ Decision 4/CMA.4, para. 2.

² Decision 4/CMA.4, paras. 8-11.

³ Decision 4/CMA.4, para. 4.

⁴ Decision 2/CMA.6, para. 8.

⁵ Decision 4/CMA.4, para. 12.



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Enabling mitigation solutions in the industry, AFOLU and waste sectors, drawing on national and regional experience

- The fifth global dialogue to focus on enabling mitigation solutions in the forest sector, drawing on national and regional experience;
- The sixth global dialogue to focus on enabling mitigation solutions in the waste sector, including through circular economy approaches.

Looking ahead to 2026, we intend to, through the selection of the topic, focus the work under the work programme towards industrial processes and product use, while giving careful consideration to and taking into account submissions from Parties, observers and other non-Party stakeholders to be received in early 2026.

We would like to encourage Parties, observers and other non-Party stakeholders to submit their views on opportunities, best practices, actionable solutions, challenges and barriers relevant to the topics of the dialogues via the submission portal,⁶ including information on experts, potential financiers and investors to be invited,⁷ as early as possible, ideally by 31 March 2025 for the fifth global dialogue and by 30 June 2025 for the sixth global dialogue, and no later than four weeks before each dialogue,⁸ in order for us to consider the information in preparing the agenda well in advance.

We would welcome receiving offers to host future global dialogues and investment-focused events, along with offers of financial support to cover travel costs for in-person participation. Your consideration and support in this matter are greatly appreciated. Kindly contact the secretariat at mwp@unfccc.int.

Further information will be made available on the <u>work programme web page</u> in due course. We are looking forward to working closely with all of you in this spirit of collaboration and engaging with you in this collective effort to advance the work under the work programme.

Yours sincerely,

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⁶ https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx.

⁷ Decision 2/CMA.6, para. 10(a).

⁸ Decision 4/CMA.4, para. 14.