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NOTIFICATION

**16th Focal Point Forum of the Nairobi work programme
Understanding and closing adaptation knowledge gaps in mountains, high-latitude areas, and
the cryosphere
2 December 2023**

I am pleased to notify Parties and observer States to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change that the **16th Focal Point Forum of the Nairobi work programme (NWP)** will be held during the 28th session of the Conference of the Parties in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates, on 2 December 2023 from 09:30 to 11:00 (GST/UTC+4). This event is open to all COP28 registered participants.

The 16th Focal Point Forum¹ will be held under the guidance of the Chair of the SBSTA and will focus on understanding and closing adaptation knowledge gaps in mountains, high-latitude areas, and the cryosphere as priority thematic areas under the NWP. The Forum will foster the engagement of government representatives including UNFCCC national focal points, NWP partner organizations, thematic experts, Indigenous Peoples, and local communities, as well as those from developing countries to address knowledge gaps to scale up adaptation action in countries and regions with mountains, high-latitude areas, and the cryosphere.

Further details of the Forum will be available on a [dedicated webpage](#).

To participate, kindly RSVP [here](#) by **Friday, 17 November**. For further questions regarding the Forum, please contact the NWP team at nwp@unfccc.int.

Yours sincerely,

(signed by)

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¹ The Focal Point Forum was initially mandated by the SBSTA at its 28th session ([FCCC/SBSTA/2008/6](#)) for the secretariat to regularly organize focal point forums with representatives from interested Parties during the sessions of the Conference of Parties (COP). The topic for the 16th Focal Point Forum was mandated by SBSTA 58 ([FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4](#)).