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NOTIFICATION

Multilateral assessment and facilitative sharing of views in 2021

I wish to draw the attention of all Parties and observer States to the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement to the arrangements for the next multilateral assessment (MA) working group session and facilitative sharing of views (FSV) workshop, which are mandated events organized under the SBI.

Further to the [notification dated 16 July 2021](#)¹ regarding MA and FSV in 2021, the next MA working group session and FSV workshop will be held during SBI 52–55, in conjunction with COP 26, as part of the United Nations Climate Change Conference taking place from 31 October to 12 November 2021 in Glasgow, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. The MA working group session and FSV workshop will be conducted in accordance with the modalities set out in decision 2/CP.17, annexes II and IV, respectively.

Annexes I and II contain operational details pertaining to the MA working group session and the FSV workshop with the aim of helping Parties to prepare for these events.

The secretariat hopes the information provided in this notification and its annexes will assist Parties in preparing for and participating in the MA working group session and the FSV workshop. Questions or requests for clarification can be addressed to ma-portal@unfccc.int (for MA) or ica@unfccc.int (for FSV).

Yours sincerely,

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¹ https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/notification_next_ma_fsv.pdf



Annex I

Operational details of the multilateral assessment working group session

I. Parties under multilateral assessment

1. Following the completion of the technical review of fourth biennial reports, the following 10 developed country Parties will undergo multilateral assessment (MA): **Croatia, Iceland, Kazakhstan, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Monaco, Poland, Romania, Slovenia and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.**

II. Format, duration and other organizational matters

2. The MA will be conducted in person for each of the 10 Parties. In line with the procedures applied at the previous MA session, a flexible approach will be taken in terms of the time allocated to each Party. In this regard, the number of questions submitted in advance of the MA session to a particular Party serves as an indication of the time needed for the MA. The table below shows the order of Parties undergoing MA and the total time allocated for each session. Please check the MA web page² for the updated schedule of the event.

3. Owing to time and space constraints in Glasgow, Parties are asked to pre-record their presentations. These recordings will be made publicly available by the secretariat on each Party's MA web page before the MA session. The secretariat will assist Parties in recording their presentations, if requested. In the pre-recorded presentations, Parties can focus on the highlights of their climate change policy development and implementation, and share success stories, innovative approaches, and experience and lessons learned from participating in the international assessment and review (IAR) process and in achieving their 2020 emission reduction target.

4. To maximize time during the MA working group session, Parties under MA will be invited to make a short statement, which will be followed by a question and answer session. Parties' recorded presentations will be available for reference on the MA web page, as described in paragraph 3 above. Parties are encouraged to watch the recorded presentations before the MA session. On the basis of the anticipated nature of the audience and potential questions, it is expected that a representative with competencies in policy issues will speak on behalf of the Party being assessed during the session with support provided by representatives with competencies in technical issues, as needed.

5. The secretariat will liaise with the Parties under MA to provide detailed guidance on the organization of the working group session.

6. Parties will have the chance to briefly summarize their main conclusions and positions relating to the MA process at the end of the working group session. Please inform the secretariat beforehand if your Party would like to make a brief statement.

7. The session will be chaired by the SBI Chair or a designated member of the SBI Bureau.

² <https://unfccc.int/MA>



Schedule for the multilateral assessment working group session

Date	Order	Party	Number of written questions received	Time (Glasgow)
MA – part I Friday, 5 November 2021	Opening by the SBI Chair			3–5 p.m. (2 hours)
	1	Kazakhstan	20	
	2	Croatia	13	
	3	Iceland	19	
	4	Liechtenstein	16	
	5	Luxembourg	15	
MA – part II Saturday, 6 November 2021	6	Monaco	8	3–5 p.m. (2 hours)
	7	Poland	14	
	8	Romania	4	
	9	Slovenia	12	
	10	United Kingdom	33	
	Closing of the MA session			

8. The MA working group session will be conducted in English and open to Parties, observers and the media. However, as per paragraph 10 of annex II to decision 2/CP.17, the oral questions and answers will be among Parties only. The MA session will be broadcast live³ and the recording will be made available on the respective Party’s MA web page⁴ after the session.

9. For further background information, please refer to the notification sent to Parties on 16 July 2021.⁵

Questions about the MA process may be addressed to the secretariat at ma-portal@unfccc.int.

³ The link to the broadcast will be made available at <https://unfccc.int/MA>.

⁴ <https://unfccc.int/MA>

⁵ https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/notification_next_ma_fsv.pdf



Annex II

Operational details of the 11th facilitative sharing of views workshop

I. Parties under facilitative sharing of views

1. Seven Parties that submitted a biennial update report and have a final summary report will be the focus of the facilitative sharing of views (FSV) workshop: **Cambodia, Dominican Republic, India, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Oman, Tajikistan and Uruguay.**

II. Format, duration and other organizational matters

2. The FSV will be conducted in person for each of the seven Parties and in line with the procedures applied at previous FSV workshops. The table below shows the order of Parties undergoing FSV and the total time allocated for each workshop. Please check the FSV web page⁶ for the updated schedule of the event.

3. Owing to time and space constraints in Glasgow, Parties are asked to pre-record their presentations. These recordings will be made publicly available by the secretariat on the FSV web page before the FSV workshop. The secretariat will assist Parties in recording their presentations, if requested. In the pre-recorded presentations, Parties can showcase their climate action and share success stories, innovative approaches, and experience and lessons learned from participating in the international consultation and analysis (ICA) process.

4. To maximize time during the FSV workshop, Parties under FSV will be invited to make a short statement, which will be followed by a question and answer session. Parties' recorded presentations will be available for reference on the FSV web page, as described in paragraph 3 above. Parties are encouraged to watch the recorded presentations before the FSV workshop. On the basis of the anticipated nature of the audience and potential questions, it is expected that a representative with competencies in policy issues and a technical background will speak on behalf of the Party undergoing FSV. One or more representatives are welcome to intervene on behalf of the Party during the workshop.

5. The secretariat will liaise with the Parties under FSV to provide detailed guidance on the organization of the workshop.

6. The workshop will be chaired by the SBI Chair or a designated member of the SBI Bureau.

⁶ <https://unfccc.int/FSV>



Schedule for the facilitative sharing of views workshop

Date	Order	Party	Time (Glasgow)
FSV – part I Friday, 5 November 2021	Opening by the SBI Chair		
	1	Dominican Republic	5–6.30 p.m.
	2	Uruguay	
	3	Oman	
	4	Tajikistan	
FSV – part II Saturday, 6 November 2021	5	Cambodia	11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
	6	Lao People’s Democratic Republic	
	7	India	
	Closing of the FSV workshop		

7. As per the established practice for in-person sessions, the FSV will be conducted in English and interpretation into other languages will not be provided.

8. The workshop will be open to Parties and Observers on the basis of confirmed attendance (the secretariat will contact Parties on ways to confirm attendance). As per paragraph 7 of annex IV to decision 2/CP.17, the oral questions and answers will be among Parties only. The FSV workshop will be broadcast live and the recording will be made available on the FSV web page⁷ after the workshop.

9. For further background information, please refer to the notification sent to Parties on 16 July 2021.⁸

Questions about the FSV process may be addressed to the secretariat at ica@unfccc.int.

⁷ The link to the broadcast will be made available at <https://unfccc.int/FSV>

⁸ https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/notification_next_ma_fsv.pdf.