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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chairs

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) continued their joint work on addressing issues related to agriculture.¹
2. The SBSTA and the SBI considered the reports on the two Koronivia road map workshops on topics 2(b) (Methods and approaches for assessing adaptation, adaptation co-benefits and resilience) and 2(c) (Improved soil carbon, soil health and soil fertility under grassland and cropland as well as integrated systems, including water management) held at SB 50.²
3. Having considered the workshop report on topic 2(b), the SBSTA and the SBI recognized that various tools are available for assessing and monitoring adaptation and its co-benefits, but existing tools could benefit from further adjustment and new tools could be developed for country-specific circumstances, while taking into consideration the importance of sharing best practices among countries and other stakeholders and the important role of science, technology and capacity-building in facilitating data collection and adaptation assessment.
4. Having considered the workshop report on topic 2(c), the SBSTA and the SBI also recognized that issues relating to soil carbon, soil health and soil fertility as well as sustainable soil and integrated water management are context-specific and, taking into account countries' circumstances, should be dealt with in a holistic and inclusive manner to realize the full potential of increased productivity in contributing to food security, adaptation and adaptation co-benefits as well as enhancing carbon sinks.
5. The SBSTA and the SBI invited Parties to consider relevant policies, actions and measures, including national plans and strategies, that would help with implementing the activities referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4 above.
6. The SBSTA and the SBI encouraged the continued involvement of constituted bodies and financing entities in the Koronivia joint work on agriculture, highlighting the potential of creating interlinkages that lead to enhanced action and improvements in implementation.

¹ Pursuant to decision 4/CP.23, para. 1.

² FCCC/SB/2019/1 and FCCC/SB/2019/2.



7. The SBSTA and the SBI welcomed the Koronivia road map workshop on topic 2(d) (Improved nutrient use and manure management towards sustainable and resilient agricultural systems) held at these sessions, and looked forward to considering the report on the workshop at SB 52 (June 2020). They also welcomed the submissions from Parties and observers that served as input to the workshop.³

8. The SBSTA and the SBI also welcomed the participation in the workshops of observers and representatives of the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism (Global Environment Facility (GEF) and Green Climate Fund), the Adaptation Fund, the GEF-administered Least Developed Countries Fund and Special Climate Change Fund, and the constituted bodies under the Convention. They noted with appreciation the work already undertaken on issues related to agriculture by those entities, and recalled inviting them to contribute to the work and participate in the workshops set out in the Koronivia road map.⁴

9. The SBSTA and the SBI recalled their request to the secretariat to organize, in addition to the workshops mandated in the Koronivia road map, and subject to the availability of supplementary funds, an intersessional workshop between SB 51 and 52, and to prepare a report on the workshop for consideration at SB 52. They welcomed with appreciation the financial contribution of the Government of New Zealand to the workshop, to be held in Bonn in March 2020.

10. The SBSTA and the SBI also recalled their invitation⁵ to Parties and observers to submit via the submission portal⁶ by 20 April 2020 their views on topics 2(e) (Improved livestock management systems) and 2(f) (Socioeconomic and food security dimensions of climate change in the agricultural sector) of the Koronivia road map, on which workshops will be held in conjunction with SB 52.

11. The SBSTA and the SBI agreed to continue consideration of this matter at SB 52.

³ Available at <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>.

⁴ FCCC/SBSTA/2018/4, para. 64; FCCC/SBI/2018/9, para. 42; FCCC/SBSTA/2018/8, para. 23; FCCC/SBI/2018/22, para. 41; FCCC/SBSTA/2019/2, para. 43; and FCCC/SBI/2019/9, para. 46.

⁵ See documents FCCC/SBSTA/2018/4, annex I, and FCCC/SBI/2018/9, annex I.

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