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Matters relating to Article 6 the Paris Agreement

Work programme under the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement and in decision 4/CMA.3

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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), pursuant to decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 9, agreed to forward information on the progress and outcomes of the work programme under the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement and in decision 4/CMA.3¹ to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) as a report of the Glasgow Committee on Non-market Approaches (GCNMA). That report is contained in paragraphs 2–6 below.
2. The SBSTA convened GCNMA 3 and 4 in accordance with decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 5, and continued implementing the work programme activities referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, chapter V, in accordance with decision 8/CMA.4, paragraph 3(a).
3. The SBSTA welcomed:
 - (a) The views and information provided by representatives of relevant constituted bodies and institutional arrangements under or serving the Convention and/or the Paris Agreement at GCNMA 3,² held with the aim of enhancing collaboration between them and the GCNMA, thereby implementing the work programme activities referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8(a)(ii)(b) and 8(b)(iii)(a);
 - (b) The broad participation of Parties and observers, including the 12 presentations made by them, at the in-session workshop held in conjunction with GCNMA 3³ with the aim of exchanging information on non-market approaches, including best practices and lessons learned related to identifying, developing and implementing such approaches, and on non-market approaches for which financial, technology and capacity-building support may be required and the support available for them, thereby implementing the work programme activities referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8(b)(ii);

¹ Pursuant to decision 4/CMA.3, annex, para. 9.

² Invited in accordance with decision 8/CMA.4, para. 18; see also document FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, para. 123(a).

³ Organized in accordance with decision 8/CMA.4, para. 10(a); see also document FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, para. 123(b).



(c) The broad participation of Parties and observers, including the nine presentations made by them and their engagement in round-table discussions, at the in-session workshop held in conjunction with GCNMA 4⁴ on the matters referred to in paragraph 129(a–c) of document FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, taking into consideration the views and information submitted by Parties and observers thereon via the submission portal⁵ and the synthesis report prepared by the secretariat,⁶ and in paragraph 130(b)(ii) of the same document, thereby implementing the work programme activities referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8;

(d) The progress in operationalizing the UNFCCC web-based platform for recording and exchanging information on non-market approaches referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8(b)(i), thereby implementing the work programme activities referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8(b)(i);⁷

(e) The use of spin-off groups at GCNMA 3, on the Joint Mitigation and Adaptation Mechanism for the Amazon region, and at GCNMA 4, on the process for recording and exchanging information on non-market approaches, the walk-through of the soft-launched UNFCCC web-based platform, and the consideration of best practices, lessons learned and case studies in relation to developing and implementing non-market approaches,⁸ thereby implementing the work programme activities referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8(b)(i–ii);

4. The SBSTA took note of:

(a) The report prepared by the secretariat on the in-session workshop held in conjunction with GCNMA 3 referred to in paragraph 3(b) above,⁹ thereby implementing the work programme activities referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8(b)(ii);

(b) The technical paper,¹⁰ without formal status, prepared by the secretariat on possibilities for enhancing engagement with public and private sector stakeholders at meetings of the GCNMA,¹¹ thereby implementing the work programme activity referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8(b)(ii)(c);

(c) The synthesis report prepared by the secretariat on the key elements of the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 9, of the Paris Agreement,¹² covering views and information submitted by Parties and observers on the work programme activities referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, chapter V, the process for submitting and recording non-market approaches on the UNFCCC web-based platform referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8(a–b), and possible topics for the next in-session workshop;¹³

(d) The updates provided by the secretariat on the status of the development and operationalization of the UNFCCC web-based platform at GCNMA 3, including on the design work, timeline for completion and testing by interested Parties, and at GCNMA 4, which covered, inter alia, key functions following the full launch and the timeline for completion,¹⁴ thereby implementing the work programme activity referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8(b)(i);

⁴ Organized in accordance with document FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, para. 130(b).

⁵ <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>.

⁶ As per document FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, para. 130(a).

⁷ The platform is now publicly available at <https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/the-paris-agreement/cooperative-implementation/Article-6-8/nma-platform/main/non-market-approaches>.

⁸ As per decision 8/CMA.4, para. 17; see also document FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, para. 123(c).

⁹ FCCC/SBSTA/2023/7.

¹⁰ Available at

https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/TP_enhancing%20engagement_GC_mtgs_non-market_approaches.pdf.

¹¹ As per decision 8/CMA.4, para. 19; see also document FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, para. 124(a).

¹² FCCC/SBSTA/2023/6.

¹³ As per document FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, paras. 129–130(a).

¹⁴ As per decision 8/CMA.4, para. 12; see also document FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, para. 124(b). The

(e) Parties' views on:

(i) The in-session workshop referred to in paragraph 3(b) above, including the need for more focused and balanced organization of the workshop in terms of time between presentations and the round-table discussions that formed part of the workshop in order to allow for an open exchange of views, and the positive outcomes of the workshop, including its provision of a networking opportunity for Parties participating in non-market approaches to identify and exchange information on these approaches and on best practices and lessons learned;¹⁵

(ii) The use of spin-off groups, including the need for more informal settings for the spin-off groups referred to in paragraph 3(e) above; improvements in the settings used for spin-off groups for in-depth discussion; and the usefulness of the spin-off groups, on an as-needed basis, to work through topics in detail and to reach shared understanding among Parties;¹⁶

(f) The importance of the capacity-building programme referred to in decision 8/CMA.4, paragraph 21, for supporting the identification, development and implementation of non-market approaches.¹⁷

5. The SBSTA encouraged the secretariat to complete the development and operationalization of the UNFCCC web-based platform referred to in paragraph 3(d) above by 31 January 2024.

6. The SBSTA forwarded a draft decision on this matter, available on the UNFCCC website,¹⁸ recognizing that this text does not represent a consensus among Parties and that further work by the CMA is necessary to finalize the decision for consideration and adoption at CMA 5.

presentations given at GCNMA 3 and 4 are available at <https://unfccc.int/process/the-paris-agreement/cooperative-implementation>.

¹⁵ FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, para. 126.

¹⁶ FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, para. 127.

¹⁷ FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4, para. 128.

¹⁸ <https://unfccc.int/documents/635798>.